

TSA Systems Acquisition Manual (TSAM) Overview

The TSAM tailors DHS acquisition policy to the specific needs of TSA, including opportunities for flexibility and methods of acceleration, by clearly defining a repeatable, transparent, end-to-end acquisition process that operates synchronously with TSA business processes and the Administrator's Intent.

TSAM Structure

Sections

Acquisition
Manual Intent

R&Rs

Phases

Methods of
Acceleration

Processes/
Reviews

Enclosure

TSAM Value



Aligns to Administrator's Intent 2.1: Improve the speed to decision and 2.2: Reduce the time to field solutions, through a repeatable end-to-end process



Incorporates acquisition best practices from DHS AD-102, Coast Guard Major Systems Acquisitions Manual (MSAM), and CBP Program Lifecycle Process (PLP) Guide



Implements Pre-Need Phase and ADE-0 to synchronize TSA's CIP, PPBE, RAP, capability gap identification/prioritization, and acquisition strategy to a calendar-driven basis with field input



Fosters intelligent trade offs in risk through Methods of Acceleration such as agile project management, ALF IPTs, and IMS accelerators



Provides a structured process to transition ITF demonstrations to a PoR that is AD-102 compliant and has organizational buy in from DHS PARM

TSAM Implementation

Championship

TSAM: TSA Administrator
Implementation: CAE, RCA/APM/CIO
TSA Business Process: CFO, CIO

Ownership

TSAM: CAE
Implementation: RCA/APM DDs/Staff
Accountability: Performance Plans

Implementation Plan

Singular Plan: CAE, RCA, APM
Engagement: stakeholders not as recipients, but as invested participants