## Defense Acquistion Workforce Position Category Description (PCD)

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**Notes:**
1. This PCD is intended to assist in determining which career field/path to assign to a Defense acquisition position per Title 10 sec. 1721. If 50% or more of the duties and responsibilities of the position match the “General Acquisition-Related Duties” described below AND the preponderance of those duties match the “Career Field/Path Specific Duties” described below, assign the position to this position category.
2. All acquisition positions require management attention with respect to certification requirements and individual development. See the references.
3. Critical Acquisition Position (CAPs) are a subset of acquisition positions and Key Leadership Position (KLPs), are a subset of CAPs. Both CAPs and KLPs represent positions with responsibility and authority that are critical to the success of a program or effort. These positions require management attention with respect to Acquisition Corps membership, tenure and other specific statutory requirements. See the references.

**General Acquisition Related Duties:** The conceptualization, initiation, design, development, test, contracting, production, deployment, logistical support, modification, and disposal of weapons and other systems, supplies, or services (including construction) to satisfy DoD needs, intended for use in, or in support of, military missions.

**Career Field/Path Specific Duties:**
- Influence system design to provide timely, affordable, effective, and best-value product support throughout the system life cycle.
- Address system cost, schedule, performance, and supportability requirements IAW DoD Directive 5000.01.
- Plan, develop, implement and manage effective and affordable product support strategies throughout the life cycle for weapons, materiel, or information systems, as addressed in the DoD 5000 series.
- Perform a principal joint and/or Component product supportability role during the acquisition and sustainment phases of the system life cycle.
- Develop and implement outcome-based product support strategies that optimize system readiness & life cycle cost affordability.
- Ensure integration across the 12 Integrated Product Support (IPS) Elements to optimize system suitability, affordability, reliability, availability, maintainability, and operational effectiveness throughout the system life cycle.
- Ensure life-cycle sustainment strategies meet warfighter product support requirements.
- Deliver logistics products and services to sustain system operational readiness.
- Develop and document the product support strategy in a Life Cycle Sustainment Plan which describes efforts to ensure the system’s design, as well as the development of the product support package, are integrated and contribute to achieving life cycle sustainment outcome metrics.

**Product Support Manager (PSM) Positions.** The PSM for Major Defense Acquisition Programs (MDAP) (ACAT I) and post-IOC MDAP programs will be acquisition designated in the LCL career field as a KLP. Additionally, the PSM for non-Major Defense Acquisition Programs (ACAT II) and post-IOC ACAT II programs will be acquisition designated in the LCL career field as a CAP. (KLPs are defined as a subset of CAPs, and all CAPs require Level III in the designated acquisition career field.)

**The principal duties of the PSM are to:**
- Develop and implement a comprehensive product support strategy for the weapon system;
- Use appropriate predictive analysis and modeling tools that can improve material availability and reliability, increase operational availability rates, and reduce operation and sustainment cost;
- Conduct appropriate cost analyses to validate the product support strategy, including cost-benefit analyses as outlined in Office of Management and Budget Circular A-94;
- Ensure achievement of desired product support outcomes through development and implementation of appropriate product support arrangements;
- Adjust performance requirements and resource allocations across product support integrators and product support providers as necessary to optimize implementation of the product support strategy;
- Periodically review product support arrangements between the product support integrators and product support providers to ensure the arrangements are consistent with the overall product support strategy;
- Revalidate any business-case analysis performed in support of the product support strategy prior to each change in the product support strategy or every five years, whichever occurs first;
- Ensure that the product support strategy maximizes small business participation at the appropriate tiers;

**Ref:**
- (a) DoDI 5000.66 dtd 27 Jul 2017
- (b) DoD Desk Guide for AT&L Workforce Career Management dtd 20 Jul 2017
Ensure that product support arrangements for the weapon system describe how such arrangements will ensure efficient procurement, management, and allocation of Government-owned parts inventories in order to prevent unnecessary procurements of such parts; and

- Identify obsolete parts that are included in the specifications of the system being acquired and determine suitable replacements for such parts.

**Typical Line and Staff Position Titles:** Product Support Manager (PSM), Life Cycle Logistian, ILS Manager, Logistics Element Manager, Logistics Management Specialist, Logistics Engineer, Weapon Systems Manager, Supply Specialist, Supply Chain Manager, Equipment Specialist, Maintenance Manager, Transportation Management Specialist.

**Typical Position Locations:** Acquisition organizations within the DoD Components (e.g., Systems, Logistics and/or Materiel Commands, Direct Reporting Program Managers (DRPMs), PEOs, as well as organizations/field activities directly supporting such organizations). Other DoD Components, Agencies and OSD/Service/HQ staff elements performing/supporting acquisition related life cycle systems management functions, such as: logistics centers, life cycle management centers, inventory control points, logistics readiness centers, warfare centers, etc. as appropriate given the general and specific duties identified above, as well as the information provided in Note 1 above.

**Typical Career Codes:**

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