

## Student Guide

# Marking Syntax Short

## Introduction

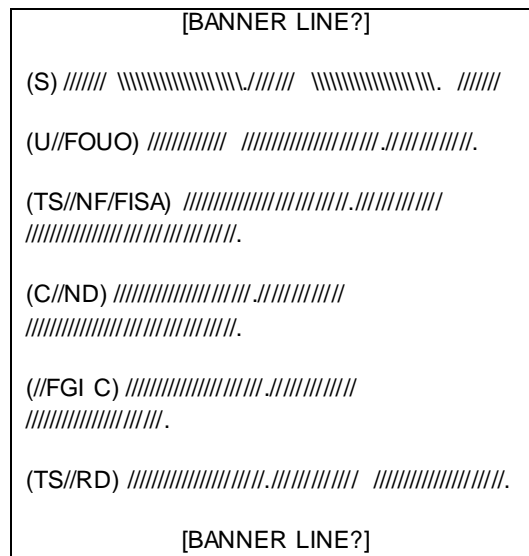
To protect our nation and its warfighters, it is essential to control and limit access and alert personnel to the presence of classified information in documents and other materials. In order to do so, it is important to interpret the markings on classified documents so you can be sure to handle the information properly.

You must also be able to correctly apply classification markings. This will help ensure safeguarding of the information at the proper level. However, it can be complicated to determine how to properly mark a document using the required hierarchy and order of markings.

Beyond the level of classification, does the document have special controls or dissemination requirements?

How are these reflected in portion and banner line markings?

Consider this document. Would you know how to appropriately apply the banner line marking based on the markings that appear before each portion?



This Short will examine the correct syntax—that is, the specified hierarchy and order—that must be used when applying classification markings. At the end of this Short, you will have an opportunity to mark this document based on what you have learned.

## Basic Marking Requirements

Classified information carries markings to communicate the document's handling requirements and must include banner line markings, portion markings, and the classification authority block.

In this Short, we are going to focus on how to read **portion markings** in order to apply a **banner line marking** with the correct hierarchy and sequence.

For overall marking guidance, see the Marking Classified Information course and DoD Manual 5200.01, Volume 2: Marking of Classified Information.

You may also consult one of these resources for guidance specific to certain types of information:

- SAP Information
  - SAP Markings Short
  - DoDM 5205.07, Volume 4
- Intelligence Information
  - CAPCO Register and Manual
  - ICD 710

### **Banner Line**

The purpose of banner line markings is to alert holders of information to the presence of classified information and controls, dissemination controls, or safeguarding requirements on the overall document or interior page.

Banner lines are formatted with all uppercase letters. The classification level is always spelled out completely in English. If there are control or dissemination control markings in the banner line, they are also spelled out completely in English or appear in their authorized abbreviations. For more information on authorized banner line abbreviations, please see DoDM 5200.01, Volume 2, Enclosure 4, its Appendices, or the CAPCO Registry Manual.

Banner lines must contain the most restrictive control markings applicable to the overall document or interior page and be constructed per a prescribed syntax, that is a standard hierarchy and sequence. Banner lines that appear on the interior pages of a document, also known as page markings, may be marked in one of two ways:

- With the overall classification of the document and any applicable control markings
- With the highest level of classification and any applicable control markings contained within the page

Banner line markings are usually centered at the head and foot of each document page or media to specify the highest level of classification of information contained within the document or individual page.

### ***Portion Marking***

Portion markings identify the specific information in the document that requires protection and at what level. They are formatted in parentheses, with authorized abbreviations in all capital letters, and must be constructed using the standard hierarchy and sequence.

These markings appear before each paragraph, subparagraph, or individual section or subsection of the document to identify the highest level of classification in the portion. They must be included at the beginning of the respective portion to maximize visibility to the reader.

## **Activity 1**

Caroline is marking a classified document. Which of the following is the correct formatting for the banner line markings that should appear across the top and bottom of each page?

*Select the best response. Check your answer in the Answer Key at the end of this Student Guide.*

- Top Secret//Formerly RD//NOFORN
- TOP SECRET//FORMERLY RESTRICTED DATA//NOFORN
- (TS//FRD//NF)
- TS//FORMERLY RESTRICTED DATA//NOFORN

## **Syntax of Markings**

The DoDM 5200.01, Volume 2, defines a required syntax for classification markings. In most cases, this syntax, or the hierarchy and sequence of markings, applies to both banner line markings and portion markings, even though the format of each type of marking is distinct.

The highest level of classification within the document, page, or portion appears first. The next markings to appear are any control markings that apply. Finally, any applicable dissemination controls appear.

A double forward slash separates marking categories. That is, they separate the classification level from the control and/or dissemination control markings. Double

forward slashes also separate multiple categories of control or dissemination control markings.

A single forward slash separates multiple control or dissemination control markings within the same category.

A single dash or hyphen without interjected spaces is used to separate a control marking system from its sub-control or compartment.

### **Classification**

The first marking in a banner line or portion indicates the highest level of classification in the document, page, or portion. The banner line will indicate whether the overall level of classification of the document or page is TOP SECRET, SECRET, or CONFIDENTIAL. If a classified document's interior page contains no classified information, it will be marked UNCLASSIFIED.

Every portion, paragraph, subparagraph, section, or subsection must be marked to show the highest level of classification that it contains: (TS) for Top Secret, (S) for Secret, or (C) for Confidential. If a portion contains no classified information, it should be marked with a (U) for Unclassified.

As you might imagine, determining the overall level of classification is easy. You review the portion markings and identify the portion with the highest level of classification. For example, if a document contains even one portion marked Secret (and no portions with a higher classification), the banner line will indicate that the overall classification is SECRET.

### **Control**

A control marking identifies special categories of information and alerts holders to special instructions regarding its content. When they apply, these markings appear following the classification level in the banner line and portion markings.

There are four categories of control markings. If more than one category or control appears in the document, the markings appear in the order they are listed here:

1. Sensitive Compartmented Information (SCI)
  - Controls:
    - HUMINT Control System (HCS)
    - KLONDIKE (KDK)
    - Communications Intelligence (COMINT) or Special Intelligence (SI)
    - TALENT KEYHOLE (TK)
  - Sub-controls: e.g., -GAMMA, -XXX

2. Special Access Program (SAP)
  - Special Access Required (SAR)
  - Programs: e.g., -SWAGGER, -MULTIPLE PROGRAMS
3. Atomic Energy Act Program Information
  - Controls:
    - Restricted Data (RD)
    - Formerly Restricted Data (FRD)
    - Critical Nuclear Weapons Design Information (CNWDI)
    - DoD/DOE Unclassified Controlled Nuclear Information (UCNI)
  - Sub-control: -SIGMA # (-SG #)
4. Foreign Government Information (FGI) (contained in U.S. documents)

Like determining the overall level of classification for a document, review each portion to identify what controls apply. Any control marking that applies to a portion must also appear in the banner line marking.

Note: The portion marking syntax for Foreign Government Information appearing in a portion in a U.S. classified document is an exception to the marking syntax rules and varies slightly from that for U.S. information. For additional information, see DoDM 5200.01, Volume 2, Enclosure 4, section 9.

### ***Dissemination Control***

A dissemination control marking identifies special-handling caveats and other special concerns about the handling of the information. Dissemination controls indicate an expansion or a limitation of the distribution of the information. Sometimes the distribution might be limited. Other times it may be prohibited.

These markings appear following any applicable control markings in the banner line and portion markings. Otherwise, they immediately follow the classification level.

Dissemination controls are divided into two categories: the ten primary dissemination controls and other dissemination controls you may see. If more than one category or dissemination control appears in the document, the markings appear in the order they are listed here.

- Primary Dissemination Controls
  1. For Official Use Only (FOUO)
  2. Originator Controlled (ORCON / OC)
  3. Controlled Imagery (IMCON / IMC)
  4. Not Releasable to Foreign Nationals (NOFORN / NF)
  5. Caution-Proprietary Information Involved (PROPIN / PR)
  6. Authorized For Release To (REL TO)
  7. Releasable By Information Disclosure Official (RELIDO)
  8. DEA SENSITIVE / DSEN

9. Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA)
10. DISPLAY ONLY

- Other Dissemination Controls
  1. SPECIAL CATEGORY
  2. NUCLEAR COMMAND AND CONTROL-ESI
  3. Limited Distribution (LIMDIS / DS)
  4. Alternative Compensatory Control Measures (ACCM)
  5. Exclusive Distribution (EXDIS / XD)
  6. No Distribution (NODIS / ND)
  7. Sensitive But Unclassified (SBU)
  8. Sensitive But Unclassified Not Releasable to Foreign Nationals (SBU NOFORN / SBU-NF)

Like determining the overall level of classification for a document, review each portion to identify what controls apply. Most dissemination controls present in a classified document will appear in the document's banner line; however, some, such as FOUO, appear in the portions but do not appear in the document's banner line because the overall classification adequately protects the unclassified information. However, you may see such markings in the banner lines of a document's interior pages when a page only contains Unclassified information.

Note that for some dissemination controls, the authorized abbreviations for banner lines and portion markings are the same. However, others have different abbreviations for the banner line and portions. Please consult DoDM 5200.01, Volume 2, Enclosure 4, its Appendices, and the CAPCO Registry Manual for a detailed explanation.

#### **For Official Use Only**

FOUO is used for both the banner lines and portion markings

- Does **not** appear in the overall document's banner line because the overall classification adequately protects it
- **Does** appear in the banner line of interior pages that only contain Unclassified and FOUO information

For additional information, please see DoDM 5200.01, Volume 2, Enclosure 4, section 9b.

#### **Originator Controlled**

- ORCON: authorized abbreviation for banner lines markings
- OC: authorized abbreviation for portion markings

<p><b>Controlled Imagery</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IMCON: authorized abbreviation for banner lines markings</li> <li>• IMC: authorized abbreviation for portion markings</li> </ul>
<p><b>Not Releasable to Foreign Nationals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NOFORN: authorized abbreviation for banner lines markings</li> <li>• NF: authorized abbreviation for portion markings</li> </ul>
<p><b>Caution-Proprietary Information Involved</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PROPIN: authorized abbreviation for banner lines markings</li> <li>• PR: authorized abbreviation for portion markings</li> </ul>
<p><b>Authorized For Release To</b></p> <p>REL TO is used for both the banner lines and portion markings.</p>
<p><b>Releasable By Information Disclosure Official</b></p> <p>RELIDO is used for both the banner lines and portion markings.</p>
<p><b>Drug Enforcement Agency Sensitive</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DEA SENSITIVE: used for banner lines markings</li> <li>• DSEN: authorized abbreviation for portion markings</li> </ul>
<p><b>Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act</b></p> <p>FISA is used for both the banner lines and portion markings.</p>
<p><b>DISPLAY ONLY</b></p> <p>No authorized abbreviation. Include the 3-letter country code following DISPLAY ONLY. Use ISO 3166 trigraphic country codes or registered international organization codes.</p>
<p><b>Limited Distribution</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LIMDIS: authorized abbreviation for banner lines markings</li> <li>• DS: authorized abbreviation for portion markings</li> </ul>
<p><b>Alternative Compensatory Control Measures</b></p> <p>ACCM is used for both the banner lines and portion markings.</p>
<p><b>Exclusive Distribution</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EXDIS: authorized abbreviation for banner lines markings</li> <li>• XD: authorized abbreviation for portion markings</li> </ul>

<p><b>No Distribution</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NODIS: authorized abbreviation for banner lines markings</li> <li>• ND: authorized abbreviation for portion markings</li> </ul>
<p><b>Sensitive But Unclassified</b></p> <p>SBU is used for both the banner lines and portion markings.</p>
<p><b>Sensitive But Unclassified Not Releasable to Foreign Nationals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SBU NOFORN: authorized abbreviation for banner lines markings</li> <li>• SBU-NF: authorized abbreviation for portion markings</li> </ul>

## Activity 2

Jerome is marking a classified document. He needs help applying the banner line marking.

[BANNER LINE?]
(U) ///.
(U//FOUO) //////////////////////////////////////.
(C//REL TO USA, GBR) ////////////////////////////////////.
(S) //////////////////////////////////////.
(//FGI C) //////////////////////////////////////.
[BANNER LINE?]

Select the best response for each question that follows. Check your answers in the Answer Key at the end of this Student Guide.

- Based on the portion markings, what is the overall level of classification of his document?
  - SECRET
  - FOUO
  - REL TO USA, GBR
  - CONFIDENTIAL



2. Which of the following is a *control* marking that must appear in the banner line?
  - FOUO
  - REL TO USA, GBR
  - FGI
  - CONFIDENTIAL
  
3. Which of the following markings should NOT appear in the banner line of the document?
  - SECRET
  - FOUO
  - REL TO USA, GBR
  - FGI
  
4. Which of the following is a dissemination control marking that must appear in the banner line of the document?
  - SECRET
  - FOUO
  - REL TO USA, GBR
  - FGI

## Putting It All Together

Figuring out how to correctly apply a banner line marking to a document with multiple controls and dissemination controls may seem complicated, but you can simplify it if you approach it one step at a time.

Remember, the prescribed marking syntax defines the exact order and format of markings. There is no need to memorize all of the syntax rules, although you probably will as you use them more frequently.

Let's take a look at the following document to determine how to correctly apply the banner line markings. To help you get started, consult the Job Aid at the end of this Student Guide.

```

[BANNER LINE?]

(TS//RD) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
//////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(//FGI C) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
//////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(U//FOUO) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(S//XD) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(TS//OC/RELIDO) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
//////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(S//RD//OC) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

[BANNER LINE?]

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Now we will practice applying banner line markings based on already marked portions in the above document.

1. First, determine the overall level of classification of the document by reviewing the classification markings on each portion.

As you can see, this portion contains Top Secret information, so begin your banner line with that marking. Remember, the overall classification must be spelled out completely and cannot be abbreviated.

```

TOP SECRET

(TS//RD) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
//////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(//FGI C) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
//////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(U//FOUO) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(S//XD) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(TS//OC/RELIDO) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
//////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(S//RD//OC) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

TOP SECRET

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2. Now review the document to identify any applicable control markings. The portions in this document contain several control or dissemination control markings. How do you determine which are control markings? Remember, there

are four categories of control markings. If you need help remembering, consult your Job Aid for a list of controls.

Of the portions in this document, three of them contain control markings. All control markings must appear in the banner line. Be sure to use double forward slashes to separate the classification level from the control markings.

```

TOP SECRET//RESTRICTED DATA//FGI
(TS//RD) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
//////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(//FGI C) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
//////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(U//FOUO) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(S//XD) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(TS//OC/RELIDO) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
//////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(S//RD//OC) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

TOP SECRET//RESTRICTED DATA//FGI

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List the control markings in the order provided in the Job Aid, using single forward slashes to separate multiple controls in the same category, if applicable, and double forward slashes to separate categories of controls.

3. Finally, it's time to add any applicable dissemination controls to the banner line. You have already identified the classification level and control markings, so you know that all remaining markings refer to dissemination controls.

Remember, most dissemination controls will appear in the banner line marking, but because the banner line here reflects the document's overall classification and therefore provides adequate protection, FOUO will not appear on the banner line.

```

TOP SECRET//RESTRICTED
DATA//FGI//ORCON/RELIDO//EXDIS
(TS//RD) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
//////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(//FGI C) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
//////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

(U//FOUO) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

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```
(S//XD) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.
(TS//OC/RELIDO) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
//////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.
(S//RD//OC) ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////.

TOP SECRET//RESTRICTED
DATA//FGI//ORCON/RELIDO//EXDIS
```

As with control markings, use single forward slashes to separate multiple dissemination controls in the same category, and double forward slashes between categories of these markings. List the dissemination controls in the order they appear in your Job Aid.

As you have just observed, when applying banner line markings with the correct syntax, following a step-by-step process can simplify a sometimes daunting task. Now you're ready to try one on your own.

### Activity 3

Now it's time for you to determine the correct banner line marking for a classified document based on the portion markings in the document.

Match the correct markings to the spaces provided in the banner line. Check your answers in the

Answer Key at the end of this Student Guide.

<b>Markings</b>	
A. FOUO	1. // 2. 3. 4. // 5. 6. 7. //
B. SECRET	8.
C. TS	(S) // //
D. FGI	(U//FOUO) //
E. S	// //
F. RD	//
G. //	(TS//NF/FISA) // //
H. /	//
I. NOFORN	(C//ND) // //
J. NODIS	(//FGI C) //
K. TOP SECRET	(TS//RD) // //
L. FISA	//

### Conclusion

This Short examined the marking syntax for U.S. classified documents. Now you should be able to interpret and apply classification markings correctly, using the correct hierarchy and order, thus ensuring the protection and safeguarding of classified information.

## Activities: Answer Key

### Activity 1

Caroline is marking a classified document. Which of the following is the correct formatting for the banner line markings that should appear across the top and bottom of each page?

- Top Secret//Formerly RD//NOFORN
- TOP SECRET//FORMERLY RESTRICTED DATA//NOFORN
- (TS//FRD//NF)
- TS//FORMERLY RESTRICTED DATA//NOFORN

**Feedback:** The banner line is formatted with all capital letters. The level of classification must be spelled out completely, with other controls spelled out or using authorized abbreviations. Parentheses are not used in banner lines.

### Activity 2

Jerome is marking a classified document. He needs help applying the banner line marking.

[BANNER LINE?]

(U) //.

(U//FOUO) //.

(C//REL TO USA, GBR)  
//.

(S) //.

(//FGI C) //.

[BANNER LINE?]

1. Based on the portion markings, what is the overall level of classification of his document?
  - SECRET
  - FOUO
  - REL TO USA, GBR

CONFIDENTIAL

**Feedback:** The highest level of classified information contained in the portion markings of the document is SECRET.

2. Which of the following is a *control* marking that must appear in the banner line?

- FOUO
- REL TO USA, GBR
- FGI
- CONFIDENTIAL

**Feedback:** FGI is a category of control marking. All controls that apply to a document must be represented in the banner line marking.

3. Which of the following markings should NOT appear in the banner line of the document?

- SECRET
- FOUO
- REL TO USA, GBR
- FGI

**Feedback:** Although most control and dissemination control markings appear in the banner line, FOUO does not because the overall classification of the document is sufficient to protect this information.

4. Which of the following is a dissemination control marking that must appear in the banner line of the document?

- SECRET
- FOUO
- REL TO USA, GBR
- FGI

**Feedback:** REL TO is a dissemination control marking. It must appear in the banner line. In this case, the information may be released to the U.S. and Great Britain.

### Activity 3

Now it's time for you to determine the correct banner line marking for a classified document based on the portion markings in the document.

<b>Markings</b>	<p>1. K // 2. F 3. G 4. I // 5. D 6. H</p> <p>7. L // 8. J</p> <p><b>TOP SECRET//RD//FGI//NOFORN/FISA// NODIS</b></p> <p>(S) ///// \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\.///// \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. ///// \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. ///// \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\</p> <p>(U//FOUO) \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\.</p> <p>\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\.</p> <p>(TS//NF/FISA) \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\.</p> <p>\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\.</p> <p>(C//ND) \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\.</p> <p>\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\.</p> <p>(//FGI C) \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\.</p> <p>(TS//RD) \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\.</p> <p>\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\. \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\.</p>
A. FOUO	
B. SECRET	
C. TS	
D. FGI	
E. S	
F. RD	
G. //	
H. /	
I. NOFORN	
J. NODIS	
K. TOP SECRET	
L. FISA	

**Feedback:** The correct banner line marking is

TOP SECRET//RD//FGI//NOFORN/FISA/NODIS



# Job Aid: Marking Syntax for Classified Information

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This job aid consists of two sections:

**Section 1:** Outlines the required order and hierarchy of markings that appear in banner line and portion markings of a classified document

1. Classification level
2. Any control markings
3. Any dissemination control markings

**Section 2:** Lists the authorized abbreviations that may appear in banner line and portion markings of a classified document

- Banner line markings
  - Classification level: Must be spelled out completely in English
  - Control and dissemination control markings: May be spelled out or use authorized abbreviations
- Portion markings
  - Must use authorized abbreviations

## Hierarchy of Classification Markings

**CLASSIFICATION//SCI/SCI-SUBCONTROL//SAP//AEA//FG//DISSEM/DISSEM//OTHER DISSEM**

*Not all fields may be required or combined. This marking is for syntax purposes only.*

### Classification

1. **U.S. Classification**  
 TOP SECRET  
 SECRET  
 CONFIDENTIAL
2. **Foreign Government Classification in Non-U.S. Documents**
3. **Joint Classification**

### Control Markings

4. **Sensitive Compartmented Information (SCI) Control System**  
 HCS  
 KLONDIKE  
 COMINT or SI  
 TALENT KEYHOLE
5. **Special Access Program (SAP)**  
 SAR
6. **Atomic Energy Act (AEA) Program Information**  
 RESTRICTED DATA  
 FORMERLY RESTRICTED DATA  
 CRITICAL NUCLEAR WEAPON  
 DESIGN INFORMATION  
 -SIGMA #  
 UCNi
7. **Foreign Government Information (FGI) in U.S. Documents**

### Dissemination Controls

8.
  - FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY
  - ORIGINATOR CONTROLLED
  - CONTROLLED IMAGERY
  - NOT RELEASABLE TO FOREIGN NATIONALS
  - CAUTION-PROPRIETARY INFORMATION INVOLVED
  - AUTHORIZED FOR RELEASE TO
  - RELEASABLE BY INFORMATION DISCLOSURE OFFICIAL
  - DEA SENSITIVE
  - FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SURVEILLANCE ACT
  - DISPLAY ONLY

### Other Dissemination Controls

9.
  - SPECIAL CATEGORY
  - NUCLEAR COMMAND AND CONTROL-ESI
  - LIMITED DISTRIBUTION
  - ALTERNATIVE COMPENSATORY MEASURES
  - EXCLUSIVE DISTRIBUTION
  - NO DISTRIBUTION
  - SENSITIVE BUT UNCLASSIFIED
  - SENSITIVE BUT UNCLASSIFIED NOFORN

// Separates classification, control, and dissemination controls AND different categories of these markings  
 / Separates multiple control or dissemination controls in the same category  
 - Separates a control marking from its sub-control or compartment

## Authorized Abbreviations

### Levels of Classification

Banner Line	Portion
<b>TOP SECRET</b>	(TS)
<b>SECRET</b>	(S)
<b>CONFIDENTIAL</b>	(C)
<b>UNCLASSIFIED*</b>	(U)

\*UNCLASSIFIED only appears on a classified document's banner line when used as an interior page marking within a document. See DoDM 5200.01, Volume 2, Enclosure 3, Section 5c for more information.

### Control Markings

	Banner Line		Portion
	Full Name	Abbreviation	
SCI	HCS		(HCS)
	KLONDIKE	KDK	(KDK)
	COMINT or SI		(SI)
	TALENT KEYHOLE	TK	(TK)
SAP	SPECIAL ACCESS REQUIRED	SAR	(SAR)
AEA	RESTRICTED DATA	RD	(RD)
	FORMERLY RESTRICTED DATA	FRD	(FRD)
	RESTRICTED DATA-N (AKA Critical Nuclear Weapon Design Information)	RD-N	(RD-N)
	-SIGMA #		(-SG #)
	DOD UNCLASSIFIED CONTROLLED NUCLEAR INFORMATION	DOD UCNI	(DCNI)
	DOE UNCLASSIFIED CONTROLLED NUCLEAR INFORMATION	DOE UCNI	(UCNI)
FGI	If country must be unidentified: FGI		(//FGI [CLASS LVL]): E.g. (//FGI S)
	If country may be identified: FGI [3-LETTER COUNTRY CODE]** Examples: GBR, DEU, CAN		[3-LETTER COUNTRY CODE]**: E.g. (//GBR S)

\*\* Use ISO 3166 trigraphic country code(s) or registered international organization code(s). If more than one country, list in alphabetical order.

**Dissemination Control Markings**

Banner Line		Portion
Full Name	Abbreviation	
FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY	FOUO***	(FOUO)
ORIGINATOR CONTROLLED	ORCON	(OC)
CONTROLLED IMAGERY	IMCON	(IMC)
NOT RELEASEABLE TO FOREIGN NATIONALS	NOFORN	(NF)
CAUTION-PROPRIETARY INFORMATION INVOLVED	PROPIN	(PR)
AUTHORIZED FOR RELEASE TO [3-LETTER COUNTRY CODE]	REL TO [3-LETTER COUNTRY CODE]	(REL TO [3-LETTER COUNTRY CODE])
RELEASABLE BY INFORMATION DISCLOSURE OFFICIAL	RELIDO	(RELIDO)
DEA SENSITIVE		(DSEN)
FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SURVEILLANCE ACT	FISA	(FISA)
DISPLAY ONLY [3-LETTER COUNTRY CODE]**		(DISPLAY ONLY [3-LETTER COUNTRY CODE])**

\*\* Use ISO 3166 trigraphic country code(s) or registered international organization code(s). If more than one country, list in alphabetical order.

\*\*\* FOUO only appears on a classified document's banner line when used as part of an internal page marking within a document. See DoDM 5200.01, Volume 2, Enclosure 4, Section 10b for more information.

**Other Dissemination Control Markings**

Banner Line		Portion
Full Name	Abbreviation	
SPECIAL CATEGORY		
NUCLEAR COMMAND AND CONTROL-ESI		
LIMITED DISTRIBUTION	LIMDIS	(DS)
ALTERNATIVE COMPENSATORY CONTROL MEASURES	ACCM-PROGRAM NICKNAME	(ACCM-PROGRAM NICKNAME)
EXCLUSIVE DISTRIBUTION	EXDIS	(XD)
NO DISTRIBUTION	NODIS	(ND)
SENSITIVE BUT UNCLASSIFIED	SBU	(SBU)
SENSITIVE BUT UNCLASSIFIED NOFORN	SBU NOFORN	(SBU-NF)