



Searching for exclusions by SSN or TIN

Helpful Information

What is SAM

The System for Award Management (SAM) is a Federal Government owned and operated free web site that consolidates the capabilities in CCR/FedReg, ORCA, and EPLS. Future phases of SAM will add the capabilities of other systems used in Federal procurement and awards processes.

What is an exclusions?

Exclusion records identify those parties excluded from receiving federal contracts, certain subcontracts, and from certain types of federal financial and non-financial assistance and benefits. These are also commonly known as "suspensions" and "debarments".

Use the following steps to search based on SSN or TIN

Remember, just like the old EPLS system, there are some searches that require additional information and exact matches to prevent phishing for information. For example, if you want to search by an SSN or TIN, you are also required to provide the first and last name of the entity as well. Both sets of information must match the record exactly in order for a result to be displayed.

The following is an example, showing how to search by SSN:

- Go to SAM.gov
- Click on Search Records
- Click on the search icon to bring up all records
- Click on the Performance Information check box in the Filter panel on the left side of the screen
- Click on Entity Information
- Click on Individual Name
- Click on First Name and enter the entity's first name in the box provided
- Click on Last Name and enter the entity's last name in the box provided
- Click on SSN and enter the entity's social security number in the box provided
- Click on Apply Filters