

GSA's Integrated Award Environment will modernize the Service Contract Reporting (SCR) functionality in SAM.gov on September 12, 2025. Neither the requirements of SCR laid out in the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) nor the general process for this kind of reporting will change. However, this move is more than a look-and-feel shift; it represents a major modernization of how service contract data is captured, stored, and reported.

By embedding automation at every level, the new system reduces manual processes, preserves historical integrity, and delivers improved transparency for both contractors and government stakeholders.

After the update on September 12 - just in time for the start of the SCR reporting period on October 2 - users will notice that the reporting process has been restructured to support flexibility, timeliness, and audit readiness. Contractors now submit reports directly in SAM.gov through the Service Contract Reporting widget, providing required details such as *Total Amount Invoiced* and *Prime Contractor Hours Expended*, along with optional Tier 1 subcontractor data.

At the same time, government stakeholders benefit from system upgrades that modernize how reporting data is stored, tracked, and accessed. Clearer FY2025 criteria are now embedded within the platform, ensuring inclusion/exclusion rules are applied consistently across civilian and DoD contracts.

The transition will introduce seven core automation features that directly replace the outdated manual or limited processes. The major features include:

- 1. Reporting Fiscal Year Element Simplifies identification of annual activity.
- 2. Automated Archiving Data is archived at year-end.
- 3. Historical record preservation Historical submissions are preserved when contracts move from eligible to ineligible.
- 4. Systematic Contract Archival Contracts active at the close of a reporting cycle are automatically archived for long-term use.
- 5. Daily Data Loading Shifts from a bi-weekly schedule to daily updates, reflecting contract changes in near real time.
- 6. Audit Tracking A dedicated log ensures full traceability of reporting activities.

These upgrades reduce the risk of data loss, increase transparency, and provide stakeholders with a much clearer picture of service contract activity over time. These changes go beyond convenience; they safeguard the integrity of government reporting.

Daily updates improve accuracy, audit logs ensure accountability, and archived records protect valuable history. Contractors experience a simpler, more efficient process, while leadership gains reliable, actionable insights to guide oversight and compliance.

To help those who do this kind of reporting prepare for the improvements, a <u>quick start guide for federal users</u> is available as is a <u>quick start guide for non federal users</u>. There are also many knowledge articles at SAM.gov's help desk - the Federal Service Desk - at FSD.gov.

Before you can do SCR reporting, your <u>entity must be registered in SAM.gov</u>, and you must have the <u>Entity Administrator role</u> or <u>Data Entry role</u> in the entity reporting domain.

More improvements and changes are coming soon to the functionality in <u>SAM.gov</u>. Stay tuned to SAM.gov/IAE Interact for more information.