
Rewrite of Navy's *FMS Customer Guide*

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On 8 April 1993, NAVSUP 07 and the Fleet Material Support Office (FMSO) completed a total rewrite of NAVSUP Publication 526, *Foreign Military Sales Customer Supply System Guide*. This 700 page manual is the FMS customer's "bible" on the correct procedures to be followed in order to obtain FMS material through the Naval Supply System. While not a policy document, NAVSUP Pub 526 serves as an invaluable tool for customer countries, guiding them through the entire Navy FMS process. The manual contains a chapter on each of the following subjects:

- Introduction and Overview.
- Requisitioning System.
- Direct Requisitioning Procedures (DRP).
- Cooperative Logistics Supply Support Arrangements (CLSSA).
- Processing Repariables.
- Classified Material Request.
- Discrepancy Reporting System.
- Freight Forwarder Guidance.
- Supply Assistance Available to FMS Customers (e.g. training).
- Other Areas for Special Attention (e.g. Buy Back of FMS Material).

A formal update to Pub 526 is published every four months. The manual is distributed to approximately 250 recipients (foreign and domestic). The total number of copies distributed is approximately 1,400.

The complete rewrite is now in print. Copies were scheduled to arrive at the Aviation Supply Office, Navy Publication and Forms Directorate, by 15 June for distribution and stocking.