

**Q227     Inspection Record Retention (Ten years)**

Seller and Seller's Subcontractors shall maintain verifiable objective evidence of all inspections and test performed, results obtained and dispositions of non-conforming articles. These records shall be identified to associated articles, including heat and lot number of materials, unit or lot serialization when applicable to Buyer and/or Government Representatives upon request, and shall be retained in a safe, accessible location for a period of ten (10) years.

Seller's records associated with the manufacture of serialized or lot controlled articles will provide for continued traceability of serial numbers or lot number identification through all phases of manufacture, commencing with the raw material and continuing through final acceptance of the end item.

Records held for the required retention period (ten years) shall not be destroyed without Buyer's written concurrence. Contact Buyer for concurrence.