CATEGORY 5 – TELECOMMUNICATIONS
AND “INFORMATION SECURITY”

Part 2 – “INFORMATION SECURITY”

Note 1: The control status of “information security” equipment, “software”, systems, application specific “electronic assemblies”, modules, integrated circuits, components, or functions is determined in Category 5, part 2 even if they are components or “electronic assemblies” of other equipment.

N.B. to Note 1: Commodities and software specially designed for medical end-use that incorporate an item in Category 5, part 2 are not classified in any ECCN in Category 5, part 2.

Note 2: Category 5, part 2, encryption products, when accompanying their user for the user's personal use or as tools of trade, are eligible for License Exceptions TMP or BAG, subject to the terms and conditions of these License Exceptions.

Note 3: Cryptography Note: ECCNs 5A002 and 5D002 do not control items that meet all of the following:

a. Generally available to the public by being sold, without restriction, from stock at retail selling points by means of any of the following:
   1. Over-the-counter transactions;
   2. Mail order transactions;
   3. Electronic transactions; or
   4. Telephone call transactions;

b. The cryptographic functionality cannot be easily changed by the user;

c. Designed for installation by the user without further substantial support by the supplier; and

d. When necessary, details of the items are accessible and will be provided, upon request, to the appropriate authority in the exporter's country in order to ascertain compliance with conditions described in paragraphs (a) through (c) of this note.

N.B. to Note 3 (Cryptography Note): You must submit a classification request or encryption registration to BIS for mass market encryption commodities and software eligible for the Cryptography Note employing a key length greater than 64 bits for the symmetric algorithm (or, for commodities and software not implementing any symmetric algorithms, employing a key length greater than 768 bits for asymmetric algorithms or greater than 128 bits for elliptic curve algorithms) in accordance with the requirements of § 742.15(b) of the EAR in order to be released from the “EI” and “NS” controls of ECCN 5A002 or 5D002.

Note 4: Category 5, Part 2 does not apply to items incorporating or using “cryptography” and meeting all of the following:

a. The primary function or set of functions is not any of the following:
   1. “Information security”;
   2. A computer, including operating systems, parts and components therefor;
   3. Sending, receiving or storing information (except in support of entertainment, mass commercial broadcasts, digital rights management or medical records management); or
   4. Networking (includes operation, administration, management and provisioning);
b. The cryptographic functionality is limited to supporting their primary function or set of functions; and

c. When necessary, details of the items are accessible and will be provided, upon request, to the appropriate authority in the exporter’s country in order to ascertain compliance with conditions described in paragraphs a. and b. above.

Technical Note: Parity bits are not included in the key length.

A. SYSTEMS, EQUIPMENT AND COMPONENTS

5A002 “Information security” systems, equipment and components therefor, as follows (see List of Items Controlled).

License Requirements

Reason for Control: NS, AT, EI

Control(s) Country Chart
NS applies to entire entry NS Column 1
AT applies to entire entry AT Column 1
EI applies to 5A002.a.1, .a.2, .a.5, .a.6, .a.9 and .b. Refer to §742.15 of the EAR.

License Exceptions

LVS: Yes: $500 for components and spare parts only. N/A for equipment.
GBS: N/A
CIV: N/A
ENC: Yes for certain EI controlled commodities, see §740.17 of the EAR for eligibility.

List of Items Controlled

Unit: $ value
Related Controls: (1) 5A002 does not control the commodities listed in paragraphs (a), (d), (e), (f), (g), (i) and (j) in the Note in the items paragraph of this entry. These commodities are instead classified under ECCN 5A992, and related software and technology are classified under ECCNs 5D992 and 5E992 respectively. (2) After encryption registration to or classification by BIS, mass market encryption commodities that meet eligibility requirements are released from “EI” and “NS” controls. These commodities are classified under ECCN 5A992.c. See § 742.15(b) of the EAR.

Related Definitions: N/A

Items:

Note: 5A002 does not control any of the following. However, these items are instead controlled under 5A992:

(a) Smart cards and smart card ‘readers/writers’ as follows:

   (1) A smart card or an electronically readable personal document (e.g., token coin, e-passport) that meets any of the following:

      a. The cryptographic capability is restricted for use in equipment or systems excluded from 5A002 by Note 4 in Category 5 - Part 2 or entries (b) to (i) of this Note, and cannot be reprogrammed for any other use; or

      b. Having all of the following:

         1. It is specially designed and limited to allow protection of ‘personal data’ stored within;

         2. Has been, or can only be, personalized for public or commercial transactions or individual identification; and
3. Where the cryptographic capability is not user-accessible;

**Technical Note:** ‘personal data’ includes any data specific to a particular person or entity, such as the amount of money stored and data necessary for authentication.

(2) ‘Readers/writers’ specially designed or modified, and limited, for items specified by (a)(1) of this Note;

**Technical Note:** ‘Readers/writers’ include equipment that communicates with smart cards or electronically readable documents through a network.

(b) [RESERVED]

**N.B.:** See Note 4 in Category 5 - Part 2 for items previously specified in 5A002 Note (b).

(c) [RESERVED]

**N.B.:** See Note 4 in Category 5 - Part 2 for items previously specified in 5A002 Note (c).

(d) Cryptographic equipment specially designed and limited for banking use or ‘money transactions’;

**Technical Note:** The term ‘money transactions’ includes the collection and settlement of fares or credit functions.

(e) Portable or mobile radiotelephones for civil use (e.g., for use with commercial civil cellular radio communication systems) that are not capable of transmitting encrypted data directly to another radiotelephone or equipment (other than Radio Access Network (RAN) equipment), nor of passing encrypted data through RAN equipment (e.g., Radio Network Controller (RNC) or Base Station Controller (BSC));

(f) Cordless telephone equipment not capable of end-to-end encryption where the maximum effective range of unboosted cordless operation (i.e., a single, unrelayed hop between terminal and home base station) is less than 400 meters according to the manufacturer’s specifications;

(g) Portable or mobile radiotelephones and similar client wireless devices for civil use, that implement only published or commercial cryptographic standards (except for anti-piracy functions, which may be non-published) and also meet the provisions of paragraphs b. to d. of the Cryptography Note (Note 3 in Category 5 - Part 2), that have been customized for a specific civil industry application with features that do not affect the cryptographic functionality of these original non-customized devices;

(h) [RESERVED]

**N.B.:** See Note 4 in Category 5 - Part 2 for items previously specified in 5A002 Note (h).

(i) Wireless “personal area network” equipment that implement only published or commercial cryptographic standards and where the cryptographic capability is limited to a nominal operating range not exceeding 30 meters according to the manufacturer’s specifications; or

(j) Equipment, having no functionality specified by 5A002.a.2, 5A002.a.4, 5A002.a.7, or 5A002.a.8, where all cryptographic capability specified by 5A002.a meets any of the following:

1. It cannot be used; or

2. It can only be made useable by means of “cryptographic activation”.

**N.B.:** See 5A002.a for equipment that has undergone “cryptographic activation”.

a. Systems, equipment, application specific “electronic assemblies”, modules and integrated circuits for “information security”, as follows, and components therefor specially designed for
“information security”:

**N.B.:** *For the control of Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) receiving equipment containing or employing decryption, see ECCN 7A005.*

a.1. Designed or modified to use “cryptography” employing digital techniques performing any cryptographic function other than authentication or digital signature and having any of the following:

**Technical Notes:**

1. Authentication and digital signature functions include their associated key management function.

2. Authentication includes all aspects of access control where there is no encryption of files or text except as directly related to the protection of passwords, Personal Identification Numbers (PINs) or similar data to prevent unauthorized access.

3. “Cryptography” does not include “fixed” data compression or coding techniques.

**Note:** 5A002.a.1 includes equipment designed or modified to use “cryptography” employing analog principles when implemented with digital techniques.

a.1.a. A “symmetric algorithm” employing a key length in excess of 56-bits; or

a.1.b. An “asymmetric algorithm” where the security of the algorithm is based on any of the following:

a.1.b.1. Factorization of integers in excess of 512 bits (e.g., RSA);

a.1.b.2. Computation of discrete logarithms in a multiplicative group of a finite field of size greater than 512 bits (e.g., Diffie-Hellman over \(Z/pZ\)); or

a.1.b.3. Discrete logarithms in a group other than mentioned in 5A002.a.1.b.2 in excess of 112 bits (e.g., Diffie-Hellman over an elliptic curve);

a.2. Designed or modified to perform cryptanalytic functions;

a.3. [RESERVED]

a.4. Specially designed or modified to reduce the compromising emanations of information-bearing signals beyond what is necessary for health, safety or electromagnetic interference standards;

a.5. Designed or modified to use cryptographic techniques to generate the spreading code for “spread spectrum” systems, not controlled in 5A002.a.6., including the hopping code for “frequency hopping” systems;

a.6. Designed or modified to use cryptographic techniques to generate channelizing codes, scrambling codes or network identification codes, for systems using ultra-wideband modulation techniques and having any of the following:

a.6.a. A bandwidth exceeding 500 MHz; or

a.6.b. A “fractional bandwidth” of 20% or more;

a.7. Non-cryptographic information and communications technology (ICT) security systems and devices evaluated to an assurance level exceeding class EAL-6 (evaluation assurance level) of the Common Criteria (CC) or equivalent;

a.8. Communications cable systems designed or modified using mechanical, electrical or electronic means to detect
surreptitious intrusion;

Note: 5A002.a.8 applies only to physical layer security.

a.9. Designed or modified to use ‘quantum cryptography.’

Technical Notes:

1. ‘Quantum cryptography’ A family of techniques for the establishment of a shared key for “cryptography” by measuring the quantum-mechanical properties of a physical system (including those physical properties explicitly governed by quantum optics, quantum field theory, or quantum electrodynamics).

2. ‘Quantum cryptography’ is also known as Quantum Key Distribution (QKD).

b. Systems, equipment, application specific “electronic assemblies”, modules and integrated circuits, designed or modified to enable an item to achieve or exceed the controlled performance levels for functionality specified by 5A002.a that would not otherwise be enabled.

5A992 Equipment not controlled by 5A002.

License Requirements

Reason for Control: AT

Control(s)  
Country Chart

AT applies to entire entry  
AT Column 1

License Exceptions

LVS: N/A
GBS: N/A
CIV: N/A

List of Items Controlled

Unit: $ value

Related Controls: N/A
Related Definitions: N/A
Items:

a. Telecommunications and other information security equipment containing encryption.

b. “Information security” equipment, n.e.s., (e.g., cryptographic, cryptanalytic, and cryptologic equipment, n.e.s.) and components therefor.

c. Commodities that BIS has received an encryption registration or that have been classified as mass market encryption commodities in accordance with § 742.15(b) of the EAR.

B. TEST, INSPECTION AND PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT

5B002 “Information Security” test, inspection and “production” equipment, as follows (see List of Items Controlled).

License Requirements

Reason for Control: NS, AT

Control(s)  
Country Chart

NS applies to entire entry  
NS Column 1

AT applies to entire entry  
AT Column 1

License Exceptions

LVS: N/A
GBS: N/A
CIV: N/A

ENC: Yes for certain EI controlled equipment, see §740.17 of the EAR for eligibility.
List of Items Controlled

Unit: $ value
Related Controls: N/A
Related Definitions: N/A
Items:

a. Equipment specially designed for the “development” or “production” of equipment controlled by 5A002 or 5B002.b;

b. Measuring equipment specially designed to evaluate and validate the “information security” functions of equipment controlled by 5A002 or “software” controlled by 5D002.a or 5D002.c.

C. MATERIALS - [RESERVED]

D. SOFTWARE

5D002 “Software” as follows (see List of Items Controlled).

License Requirements

Reason for Control: NS, AT, EI
Control(s) Country Chart
NS applies to entire entry NS Column 1
AT applies to entire entry AT Column 1
EI applies to “software” in 5D002.a, c.1 or .d for equipment controlled for EI reasons in ECCN 5A002. Refer to §742.15 of the EAR.

Note: Encryption software is controlled because of its functional capacity, and not because of any informational value of such software; such software is not accorded the same treatment under the EAR as other “software”; and for export licensing purposes, encryption software is treated under the EAR in the same manner as a commodity included in ECCN 5A002.

Note: Encryption source code classified under this entry remains subject to the EAR even when made publicly available in accordance with part 734 of the EAR. However, publicly available encryption object code software classified under ECCN 5D002 is not subject to the EAR when the corresponding source code meets the criteria specified in §740.13(e), see also §734.3(b)(3) of the EAR.

List of Items Controlled

Unit: $ value
Related Controls: (1) This entry does not control “software” “required” for the “use” of equipment excluded from control under the Related Controls paragraph or the Technical Notes in ECCN 5A002 or “software” providing any of the functions of equipment excluded from control under ECCN 5A002. This software is classified as ECCN 5D992. (2) After an encryption registration has been submitted to BIS or classification by BIS, mass market encryption software that meet eligibility requirements are released from “EI” and “NS” controls. This software is classified under ECCN 5D992.c. See §742.15(b) of the EAR.
Related Definitions: 5D002.a controls “software” designed or modified to use “cryptography” employing digital or analog techniques to ensure “information security”.
Items:

a. “Software” specially designed or modified for the “development”, “production” or “use” of
equipment controlled by 5A002 or “software” controlled by 5D002.c;

b. “Software” specially designed or modified to support “technology” controlled by 5E002;

c. Specific “software” as follows:

c.1. “Software” having the characteristics, or performing or simulating the functions of the equipment, controlled by 5A002;

c.2. “Software” to certify “software” controlled by 5D002.c.1;

d. “Software” designed or modified to enable an item to achieve or exceed the controlled performance levels for functionality specified by 5A002.a that would not otherwise be enabled.

5D992 “Information Security” “software” not controlled by 5D002.

License Requirements

Reason for Control: AT

Control(s) Country Chart
AT applies to entire entry AT Column 1

License Exceptions

CIV: N/A
TSR: N/A

List of Items Controlled

Unit: $ value
Related Controls: This entry does not control “software” designed or modified to protect against malicious computer damage, e.g., viruses, where the use of “cryptography” is limited to authentication, digital signature and/or the decryption of data or files.

5E002 “Technology” as follows (see List of Items Controlled).

License Requirements

Reason for Control: NS, AT, EI

Control(s) Country Chart
NS applies to entire entry NS Column 1
AT applies to entire entry AT Column 1
EI applies to “technology” for the “development,” “production,” or “use” of commodities or “software” controlled for EI reasons in ECCNs 5A002 or 5D002. Refer to § 742.15 of the EAR.

License Requirement Note: When a person performs or provides technical assistance that incorporates, or otherwise draws upon, “technology” that was either obtained in the United States or is of US-origin, then a release of the “technology” takes place. Such technical
assistance, when rendered with the intent to aid in the “development” or “production” of encryption commodities or software that would be controlled for “EI” reasons under ECCN 5A002 or 5D002, may require authorization under the EAR even if the underlying encryption algorithm to be implemented is from the public domain or is not of U.S. origin.

License Exceptions

CIV: N/A
TSR: N/A
ENC: Yes for certain EI controlled technology, see §740.17 of the EAR for eligibility.

List of Items Controlled

Unit: N/A
Related Controls: See also 5E992. This entry does not control “technology” “required” for the “use” of equipment excluded from control under the Related Controls paragraph or the Technical Notes in ECCN 5A002 or “technology” related to equipment excluded from control under ECCN 5A002. This “technology” is classified as ECCN 5E992.
Related Definitions: N/A
Items:

a. “Technology” according to the General Technology Note for the “development”, “production” or “use” of equipment controlled by 5A002 or 5B002 or “software” controlled by 5D002.a or 5D002.c.

b. “Technology” to enable an item to achieve or exceed the controlled performance levels for functionality specified by 5A002.a that would not otherwise be enabled.

5E992 “Information Security” “technology” according to the General Technology Note, not controlled by 5E002.

License Requirements

Reason for Control: AT

Control(s) Country Chart
AT applies to entire entry AT Column 1

List of Items Controlled

Unit: N/A
Related Controls: N/A
Related Definitions: N/A
Items:

a. “Technology” n.e.s., for the “development”, “production” or “use” of equipment controlled by 5A992.a. “information security” or cryptologic equipment controlled by 5A992.b or “software” controlled by 5D992.a or b.

b. “Technology”, n.e.s., for the “use” of mass market commodities controlled by 5A992.c or mass market “software” controlled by 5D992.c.

EAR99 Items subject to the EAR that are not elsewhere specified in this CCL Category or in any other category in the CCL are designated by the number EAR99.