

THE VETS FIRST VERIFICATION PROGRAM

The Vets First Verification Program affords verified firms owned and controlled by Veterans and Service-disabled Veterans the opportunity to compete for VA set asides. During Verification, the Center for Verification and Evaluation (CVE) verifies SDVOSBs/VOSBs according to the tenets found in Title 38 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 74 and 13 CFR Part 125 that address Veteran eligibility, ownership, and control. To qualify for participation in the Veterans First Contracting Program, eligible SDVOSBs/VOSBs must first be verified.

SEE IF YOU QUALIFY

We recommend the verification [Pre-Qualification Quiz](#) to prepare you for the verification process (strictly voluntary)

GETTING STARTED

1. All applicants must have an active, current, and “Public” [System for Award Management \(sam.gov\)](#) profile prior to starting an application.
NOTE: Profiles marked “Private” will NOT sync with VIP.
2. All Veteran owners must have a Premium DS logon Account [AccessVA](#). Please contact the *DMDC Help Desk at 800-368-3665 to create an account, upgrade to Premium or reset passwords.*
3. All non-Veteran owners and representatives must have an ID.me account. For assistance please contact the ID.me Help Desk at: <https://help.id.me/hc/en-usAccessVA>.
4. Create a Vendor Information Page (VIP) account [Login to Vendor Information Pages \(VIP\)](#), select “Apply for Verification”.
5. View the required documents matrix for your business structure, e.g., LLC, Inc, etc. Gather the documents to upload to VIP [Required Documents for VIP Application](#).
6. For assistance with verification, [Verification Counselors](#) are available, COST-FREE.
7. Submit a complete application to CVE (i.e., fully executed with all supporting documentation).

VERIFICATION RESOURCES

1. [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#).
2. [Verification Assistance Briefs](#) summarize various facets of the Verification Program
3. [Education & Training](#).
4. [Events Calendar](#).
5. [Media Library](#).

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