

Board Policy

Compliance with U.S. Export Regulations

The Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS) is committed to conducting its activities in full compliance with, and in a manner that avoids facilitating any violation of, applicable laws and regulations, and specifically for purposes of this Policy, U.S. export control regulations such as the Export Administration Regulations (EAR). Toward that end, ATIS adopts this Policy to mitigate the risk that both it and its members will engage in any activities that involve the receipt or transfer of information, data, or technology (collectively “Information”) that is not permitted by applicable U.S. export control laws, Executive Orders, rules, or regulations (collectively “U.S. Export Regulations”).

1. ATIS will not approve as a member any entity (a) that is included in the EAR Entity List or otherwise restricted by U.S. Export Regulations to receive or transfer any Information that is exchanged or transferred in the ordinary course of ATIS’ activities, or (b) which has been found to have violated any U.S. Export Regulations and has not resolved such violation.
2. Should an existing member be added to the Entity List or otherwise become restricted by or is found to be in violation of U.S. Export Regulations, that member shall inform ATIS and withdraw as an ATIS member. If the member chooses not to withdraw, the member shall be suspended for cause as provided for in Article II, Section 5, of the ATIS Bylaws until such time as, in the discretion of the ATIS Board of Directors: (a) the member is removed from the Entity List; (b) the member is no longer restricted by U.S. Export Regulations to receive or transfer Information, or (c) the member’s violation of U.S. Export Regulations has been resolved. Reinstatement of the former member shall be upon the application by the former member and a showing that the foregoing conditions are met.
3. A prospective new member, as a condition of ATIS’ consideration of its application for ATIS membership, must confirm that it: (a) is not included on the Entity List, subject to U.S. Export Regulations that restrict its receipt of or access to Information that is of the sort that is disclosed, exchanged, or transferred in the ordinary course of ATIS activities, and that at the time of its application for ATIS membership it is not in violation of any U.S. Export Regulations that restrict its receipt or transfer of Information; and (b) will immediately notify ATIS if the foregoing confirmation is no longer accurate in any respect once it becomes an ATIS member. A prospective member who is unable to provide this confirmation shall not be accepted as a member.