

Controlled Unclassified Information

CUI MARKING 101

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Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI)

What is the CUI Program?

The CUI Program is an information security reform that standardizes the way the executive branch handles information that requires protection

What is CUI?

Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) is information that requires safeguarding or dissemination controls pursuant to and consistent with applicable laws, regulations, and government-wide policies.

Policy and Guidance

- **Executive Order 13556**
- **32 CFR Part 2002 (Implementing Directive)**
- **CUI Marking Handbook**
- **CUI Notices**
- **CUI Notice 2018-02 (Recommendations for CUI Basic Training)**
- **CUI Notice 2020-01 (CUI Implementation Deadlines)**
- **NIST Publications**
- **OMB Circular No. A-11**
- **CUI Advisory Council**

CUI Registry

The CUI Registry is the Government-wide online repository for Federal-level guidance regarding CUI policy and practice. However, agency personnel and contractors should first consult their agency's CUI implementing policies and program management for guidance.

Search the Registry:

Categories, Markings and Controls:

- Category-Subcategory List
- Category-Subcategory Markings
- Limited Dissemination Controls
- Decontrol
- Registry Change Log

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Training Tools

Learn about training tools developed by the Executive Agent for CUI users.

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Additional Tools

Learn about additional tools for handling CUI.

- CUI Coversheets
- CUI Marking Trifold Brochure
- Audio/Photo/Video Markings Brochure



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AGENDA

We will address:

- Purpose of markings, some of the basic elements of marking, specific markings focusing on paper markings, electronic items and miscellaneous marking
- How to mark (emails, spreadsheets, databases, etc.), how to portion mark and supplemental administrative markings
- Resources and videos on the CUI website that may be downloaded and utilized

Why Mark CUI?

- We mark to inform users or recipients that a document contains CUI and to alert them of any dissemination or safeguarding requirements



CUI Basic and CUI Specified

CUI Basic

Laws, Regulations, or Government-wide policies **DO NOT** require specific protections

CUI Specified (Requires unique markings)

Laws, Regulations, or Government-wide policies require specific protections. For example:

- Unique markings
- Enhanced physical safeguards
- Limits on who can access the information

CUI includes, but is not limited to:

- Privacy (including Health)
- Tax
- Law Enforcement
- Critical Infrastructure
- Export Control
- Financial
- Intelligence
- Privilege
- Unclassified Nuclear
- Procurement and Acquisition



Legacy Information and Markings



All legacy information is not automatically CUI. Agencies must determine what legacy information qualifies as CUI



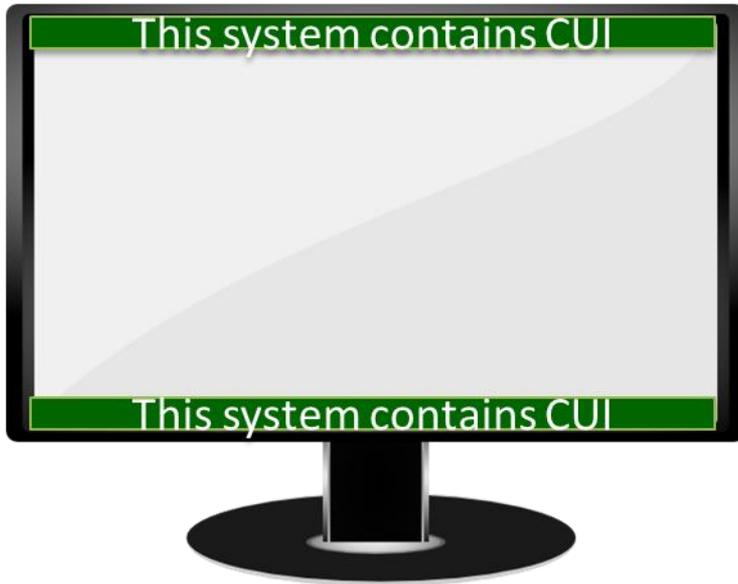
Waivers For Legacy Information

- It is information marked **prior** to the CUI program
- Many agencies are pursuing a Legacy information waiver
- Waiver states: you do not have to remark the information unless you reuse or transmit it outside of the agency
 - *Consult your Agency policy*
- When transmitting or transferring legacy information, the marking/identification requirement can be satisfied by using a cover sheet/transmittal document or an indicator in an email

Alternative Markings

- When it is impractical for an agency to individually mark CUI due to quantity or nature of the information, or when an agency has issued a limited CUI marking waiver, authorized holders must make recipients aware of the information's CUI status using an alternate marking method that is readily apparent (for example, through user access agreements, a computer system digital splash screen (e.g., alerts that flash up when accessing the system), or signs in storage areas or on containers)
- Marking in the physical environments (boxes, inventories, rooms, cabinets)

System Markings



Agencies may authorize or require the use of alternate CUI indicators on IT systems, websites, browsers, or databases through agency CUI policy. These may be used to alert users of the presence of CUI where use of markings has been waived by the agency head.

You must accept the license agreement before continuing.

You are accessing a U.S. Government (USG) information system (IS) (which includes any device attached to this information system) that is provided for U.S. Government authorized use only. **This system contains CUI.** I acknowledge that failure to abide by these terms and the other parts of the user agreement may result in revoked or suspended access privileges.

I accept the agreement
 I do not accept the agreement

< Back Next > Cancel

Designation Indicator

- All documents containing CUI **MUST (hard requirement)** indicate the agency of designation
 - This may come in several forms, including a letterhead, signature block, or “controlled by line”
- A best practice is also to include the contact information of the designating agency, and identify a point of contact or division within the organization
- On an email it would be: @nara.gov

**Designating
Indicator
(Agency)**



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**All questions can be directed to the Security
and Inspection Division, 123-456-7890**

CUI

CUI Banner Marking Breakdown

CUI Control Marking

CUI Category
Marking (if
required)

Limited Dissemination Control
Marking

CUI OR CONTROLLED//CATEGORY//DISSEMINATION

MANDATORY:

CUI Banner Markings must appear on the top portion of the page

**Optional Best
Practice: Control
marking at the
bottom of the page**

**The Banner Marking should be easily
distinguishable and readily apparent
(bold, capitalized and centered when
feasible)**

CUI Control Marking

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CUI Category
Marking (if
required)

Limited Dissemination Control
Marking

CUI OR CONTROLLED//CATEGORY//DISSEMINATION

MANDATORY:

CUI Banner Markings must appear on the top portion of the page

You have the
choice of using
CUI
or the word
CONTROLLED

All that is required
for CUI Basic

The Banner Marking
should be easily
distinguishable and
readily apparent
(bold, capitalized and
centered when
feasible)

CUI Category Marking

CUI Control Marking

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required)

Limited Dissemination Control
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CUI OR CONTROLLED//CATEGORY//DISSEMINATION

The CUI Category Marking is separated from the Control Marking by double forward slash. When including multiple Category Markings they should be separated by a single forward slash

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CUI Categories

***** IMPLEMENTATION REMINDER FROM THE EXECUTIVE AGENT *****

Existing agency policy for all sensitive unclassified information remains in effect until your agency implements the CUI program. Direct any questions to your agency's CUI program office.

Search the Registry

CUI Categories

- CUI Categories are listed alphabetically within organizational index grouping.
- Select a Category to view associated detail information.

Organizational Index Grouping

Critical Infrastructure

CUI Categories

- [Ammonium Nitrate](#)
- [Chemical-terrorism Vulnerability Information](#)
- [Critical Energy Infrastructure Information](#)
- [Emergency Management](#)
- [General Critical Infrastructure Information](#)

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CUI Category: Federal Taxpayer Information

Banner Marking: CUI//SP-TAX

Category Description:

Related to returns and return information which are submitted, gathered or generated in conjunction with taxpayers' responsibilities to comply with federal tax provisions in the United States Code.

"Returns" includes information that is provided to the government pursuant to Title 26, including tax or information returns, declarations of estimated tax or claims for refund. "Return information" includes a taxpayer's identity, the nature, source or amount of income or any information received by, recorded by, prepared by or furnished to Internal Revenue Service relevant to the determination of tax liability including whether the taxpayer is the subject of investigation. This protection extends to such items as medical, financial and other personal information submitted to the IRS by taxpayers. Standards (typically tolerances, audit criteria and law enforcement techniques) related to the selection of returns for examination should only be disclosed to the extent their disclosure would not impair assessment, collection or enforcement under the internal revenue laws. Tax data originating from the IRS generally retains its confidential status even when it resides with agencies other than the IRS.

Category Marking:

TAX

Banner Format and Marking Notes:

Banner Format: CUI//Category Marking//Limited Dissemination Control

Marking Notes:

- The CUI Control Marking may consist of either the word "CONTROLLED" or the acronym "CUI", depending on agency policy.
- Category marking is optional when marking Basic CUI unless required by agency policy. Example: CUI//Limited Dissemination Control.
- Category Marking preceded by "SP-" is required when marking Specified CUI. Example: CUI//SP-Category Marking//Limited Dissemination Control
- Whether CUI is Basic or Specified is determined by the applicable Safeguarding and/or Dissemination Authority for a given instance

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Notes for Safeguarding, Dissemination and Sanction Authorities:

- **CUI Specified authorities include specific handling practices that differ from general CUI requirements. For Specified authorities, reference individual Safeguarding/Dissemination control citations for distinct requirements**
- Whether CUI is Basic or Specified is determined by the applicable Safeguarding and/or Dissemination Authority for that CUI.
- Each "Safeguarding and/or Dissemination Authority" citation links to the statute, regulation or government-wide policy authorizing the control of that information as CUI.
- Each "Sanctions" authority links to the statute, regulation or government-wide policy that includes penalties for CUI misuse of CUI for the associated "Safeguarding and/or Dissemination Authority" on the same line.

Safeguarding and/or Dissemination Authority	Basic or Specified	Banner Marking	Sanctions
26 USC 6103		CUI//SP-TAX	26 USC 7213 26 USC 7213A 26 USC 7431
26 USC 6110	Specified	CUI//SP-TAX	26 USC 6110(j) 26 USC 7213 26 USC 7213A 26 USC 7431
42 USC 1306(a)(1)	Specified	CUI//SP-TAX	42 USC 1306(a)(1)
26 CFR 301.6103(i)-1(b)	Specified	CUI//SP-TAX	26 USC 7213 26 USC 7213A 26 USC 7431
IRS Publication 1075	Specified	CUI//SP-TAX	

Authority links are updated based on regular re-publication of the United States Code and Code of Federal Regulations, and the CUI Registry maintenance schedule.

 PDF files require the [free Adobe Reader](#).
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CUI Limited Dissemination Controls

CUI Control Marking

CUI Category
Marking (if
required)

Limited Dissemination Control
Marking

CUI OR CONTROLLED//CATEGORY//DISSEMINATION

- CUI Limited Dissemination Control markings follow the Category marking and are separated from the other elements by double forward slash.
- When including multiple Category Markings they should be separated by a single forward slash
- When a document contain multiple Limited Dissemination Control Markings, those Limited Dissemination Control markings **MUST** be alphabetized and separated from each other with a single forward slash

What have we learned so far

We learned:

- ✓ why we mark CUI
- ✓ the two kinds of CUI (Basic and Specified)
- ✓ about Legacy information
- ✓ about Waivers for Legacy information
- ✓ about System markings
- ✓ what a Designation Indicator is and why its important
- ✓ the different parts to the CUI Banner Marking

Coversheet and CUI Media Labels

A detailed purple coversheet for CUI. At the top, it says "CUI ATTENTION". Below that is a large white box with the text: "Use this space to indicate categories, limited dissemination controls, special instructions, points of contact, etc., if needed." Below the box is another "ATTENTION" section with the text: "All individuals handling this information are required to protect it from unauthorized disclosure." Below that is a paragraph: "Handling, storage, reproduction, and disposition of the attached document(s) must be in accordance with 32 CFR Part 2002 and applicable agency policy. Access to and dissemination of Controlled Unclassified Information shall be allowed as necessary and permissible to any individual(s), organization(s), or group(s) of users, provided such access or dissemination is consistent with or in furtherance of a Lawful Government Purpose and in a manner consistent with applicable law, regulations, and Government-wide policies." At the bottom, it says "CUI".

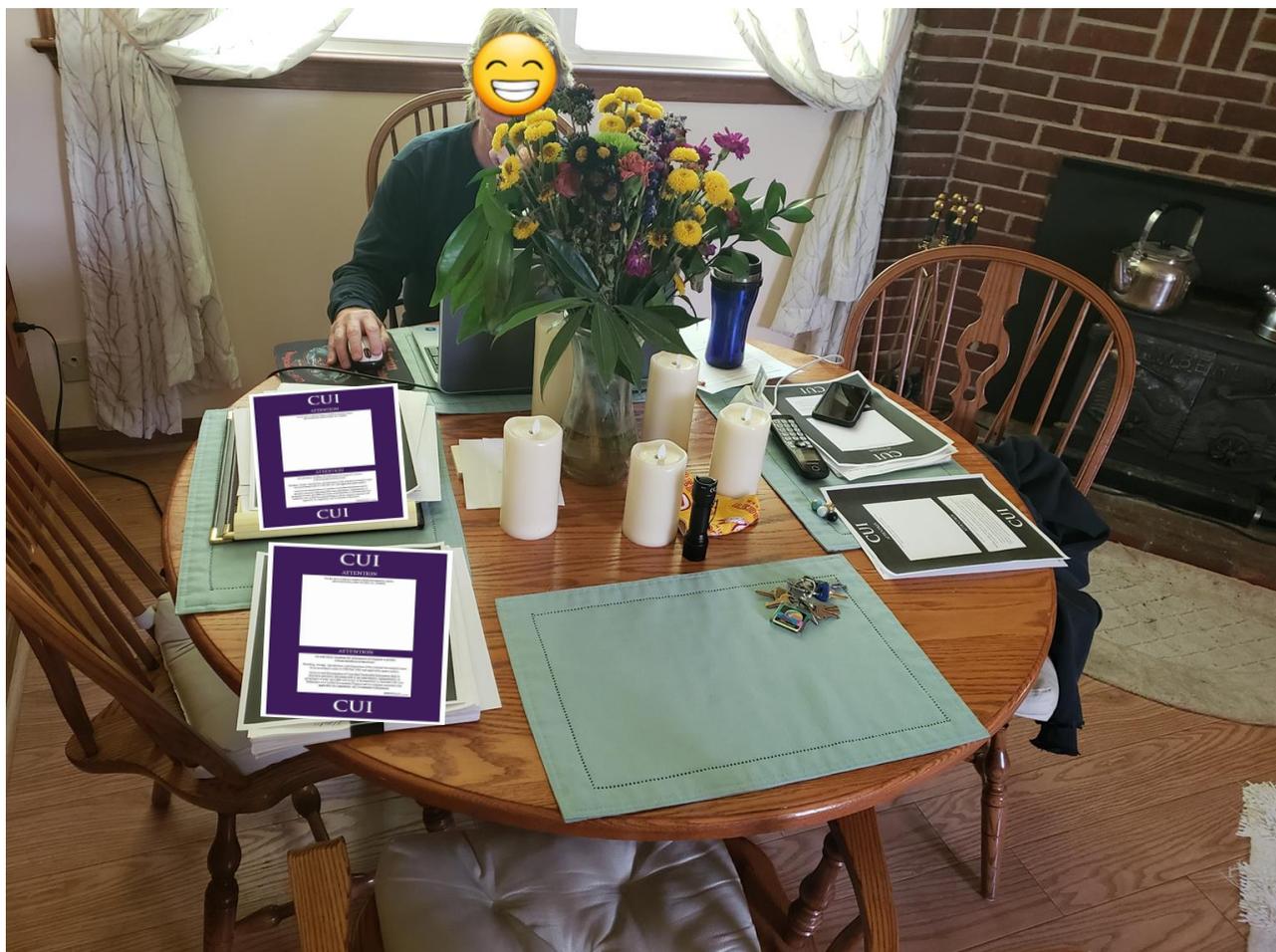
Standard Form 901:
Detailed Coversheet

A purple rectangular label. It says "This medium is CUI U.S. Government Property". Below that, it says "Protect it from unauthorized disclosure in compliance with applicable executive orders, statutes, and regulations." On the right side, it says "SF 902 (11-18)".

A purple rectangular label. It says "This medium is CUI U.S. Government Property". On the right side, it says "SF 903 (11-18)".

- Coversheets are optional, but **can replace Banner Markings**
- It can also include categories/dissemination controls or list/originator designation
- Download from the CUI Registry at: www.archives.gov/cui/additional-tools

Use of Coversheets while teleworking



- **Reminder:**
when using an SF 901 (CUI Coversheet) you can be print it out Purple or black and white
- **4 Coversheets**
 - 2 Purple
 - 2 Black & White

Mandatory CUI Banner Marking

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CUI

- It is **MANDATORY** to include a banner marking at the top of the page denoting Controlled Unclassified Information
- *Optional*, best practice is to include on bottom as well, it **MUST** be identical to the top

Footer markings are optional

Marking CUI Basic

CUI



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- For CUI basic the Laws, Regulations, or Government-wide policies **DO NOT** require specific protections.
- Category markings are optional unless required by Agency policy

Markings per Authorities

- Certain categories of CUI require additional markings/indicators that are called for in the LRGWP
- See your Agency policy

Sample
Required
Indicators

**CONTROLLED//SP-SPECIFIED
MARKING REQUIRED PER AUTHORITY**

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August 27, 2016

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WARNING: These are words required by the authority. This text is stand in text only, please see the CUI Registry and the applicable law regulation or government-wide policy for exact requirements. These are words required by the authority.

Marking Multiple Pages

- The make up of the CUI Banner for a multi-page document is essentially the sum of all of the CUI markings in the document; include all specified category markings and any limited dissemination control markings used throughout the document in the banner

CUI//SP-EXPT/EXPTR//FED ONLY/NOFORN

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CUI Notice 2018-XX: Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) Marking Sample

June 20, 2018

Purpose

This notice provides marking guidance on the preparation of CUI Marked Information Control Markings, as authorized by Title 28, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 201.16(a)(4) (28 CFR 201.16(a)(4)).

Background and Authority

28 CFR 201.16, "Controlled Unclassified Information," September 16, 2016, implements the CUI Program requirements for identifying, categorizing, marking, disseminating, and declassifying CUI. This regulation includes a number marking scheme of the program, categorizing, disseminating, and declassifying CUI, and the authorized use of CUI Marked Information Control Markings on any document with CUI.

Definitions

CUI Mark is the subset of CUI that is the underlying law, regulation, or Government-wide policy that is not subject to specific handling or dissemination controls. Agencies issue CUI Marks according to the written set of controls set forth in 28 CFR 201.16 and the CUI Registry. See § 201.16(a).

CUI Specified is the subset of CUI that is the underlying law, regulation, or Government-wide policy that is subject to specific handling controls that require or prohibit agencies to use that CUI in a manner other than that for CUI Marks. See § 201.16(b).

Guidance

All CUI is either CUI Mark or CUI Specified. CUI Mark is disseminated according to the written set of dissemination controls set forth in 28 CFR 201.16, which requires agencies to disseminate and prohibit access to CUI whenever doing so is not against the law, and to restrict a limited Government program.

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Marking CUI Specified

CUI//SP-PRVCY



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SP-PRVCY denotes Privacy Information- specified CUI that is handled with unique controls

- Since CUI Specified can call for different controls and protection than CUI Basic, it is mandatory to label it in a banner (**SP-**)
- All categories relating to specified information **MUST** have **SP-** precede the category marking

CUI Specified Category marking

- CUI Category marking are separated by a double forward slash (//) from the CUI Control Marking
 - If there are multiple CUI Category markings in the banner they must be separated by a single forward slash (/)

- Note that in the example provided:
 - The mandatory **CUI** marking is present
 - The category, critical infrastructure (**CRIT**), falls after two forward slashes (//)

CUI//SP-CRIT



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When to use Limited Dissemination Controls

- Use them to highlight requirements found in the underlying laws, regulations, or government wide policies
- Agency dissemination practices
- Cautionary note: The misapplication of them could negatively impact the dissemination of CUI

Limited Dissemination Controls

- Limited Dissemination Controls are not mandatory
- Limited Dissemination Controls Markings are separated from other elements of the banner by two forward slashes (//)
- When a document contains multiple Limited Dissemination Control Markings, those Limited Dissemination Control Markings separated by a single slash (/)

CUI//SP-XXX//NOFORN



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In this example, the specified category is indicated by SP-XXX, and the “No Foreign dissemination” control is used.

Limited Dissemination Controls

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CUI Registry: Limited Dissemination Controls

Search the Registry

General Dissemination Principles

- Access to CUI should be encouraged and permitted to the extent that access or dissemination:
 - Abides by the laws, regulations, or Government-wide policies that established the information as CUI;
 - Furthers a lawful government purpose;
 - Is not restricted by an authorized limited dissemination control established by the CUI Executive Agent; and
 - Is not otherwise prohibited by law.
- Agencies may place limits on disseminating CUI beyond for a lawful government purpose only through the use of the limited dissemination controls listed below, or through methods authorized by a CUI Specified authority.
- Each agency's CUI policy governs specific criteria for when, and by whom, it will allow for the application of limited dissemination controls and control markings, and ensure that policy aligns with 32 CFR Part 2002.
- Only the designating agency may apply limited dissemination controls to CUI. An agency may apply limited dissemination control markings when it designates information as CUI and may approve later requests by authorized holders to apply them. Authorized holders may apply limited dissemination control markings only with the approval of the designating agency, and must follow all such markings on CUI.
- Designating agencies may combine limited dissemination controls to accommodate necessary practices.
- Using limited dissemination controls to unnecessarily restrict access to CUI is contrary to the goals of the CUI program.
- Reference 32 CFR 2002.16 for a full discussion of limited dissemination guidelines.
- Select any column heading to sort.

Limited Dissemination Control	Description	Marking	Portion Marking
No foreign dissemination	Information may not be disseminated in any form to foreign governments, foreign nationals, foreign or international organizations, or non-US citizens.	NOFORN	NF
Federal Employees Only	Dissemination authorized only to (1)	FED ONLY	FED ONLY

What have we learned so far

We learned:

- ✓ how and when to use a CUI Coversheet
- ✓ what a Banner Marking looks like
- ✓ about marking per authorities
- ✓ how to mark multiple pages
- ✓ what a Category Marking is and how to use it
- ✓ what CUI Specified marking is and how to use it
- ✓ what CUI Basic marking is and how to use it
- ✓ when to use Limited Dissemination Controls

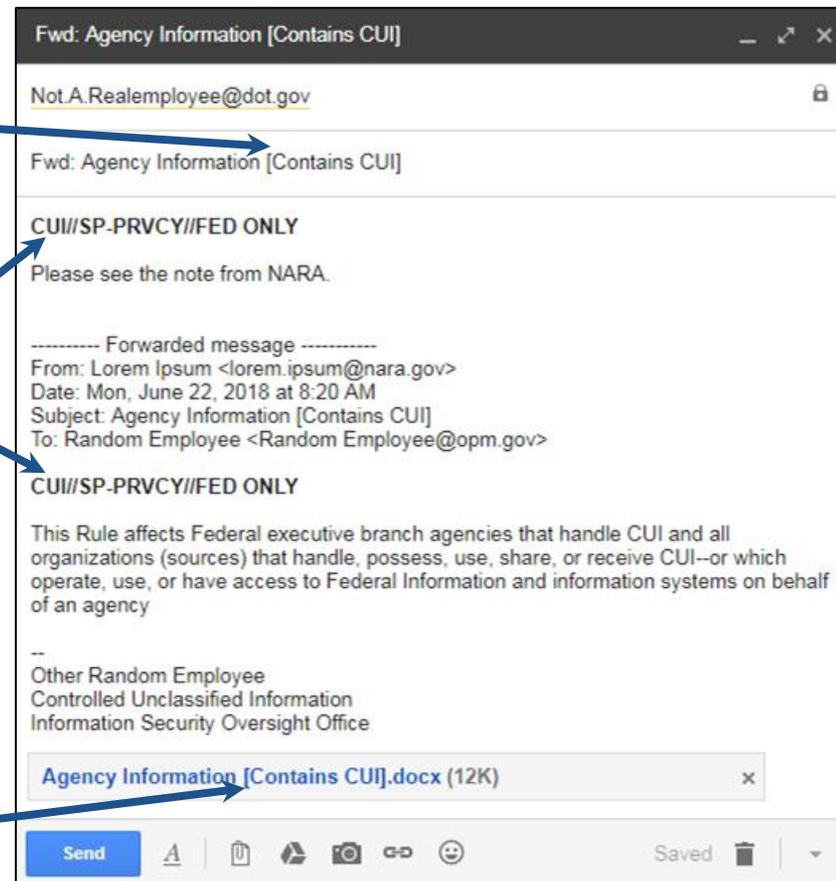
Marking Emails

- When marking emails it is **mandatory** to include a **Banner Marking** to indicate that the email contains CUI
- It is best practice to include an Indicator Marking in the subject line
- If the email is forwarded, the Banner Marking **must** be carried forward
- If sending an attachment that contains CUI, the name of the file can contain a CUI indicator

Optional
Subject
Line
Indicator
Marking

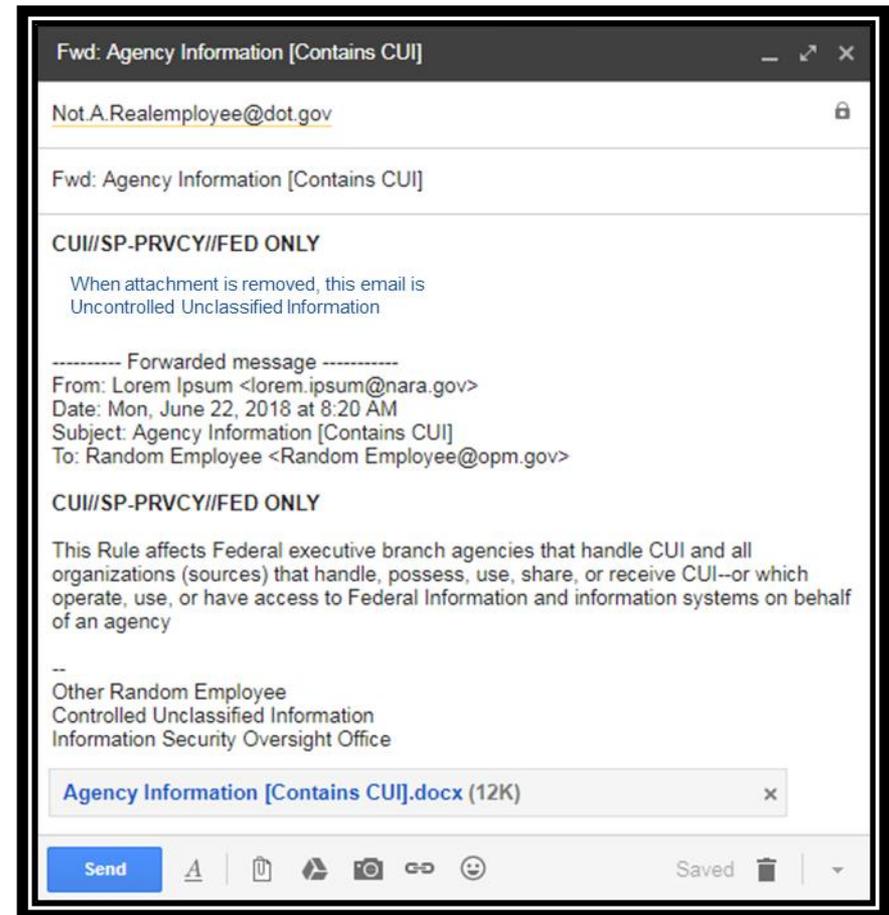
Mandatory
Banner
Marking

Optional
Attachment
Indicator
Marking



Marking emails cont.

- When sending an email where the attachment is removed and the email no longer contains CUI, add the following statement below the banner marking:
 - **“When attachment is removed, this email is Uncontrolled Unclassified Information”**
- Indicators in the subject line and attachments should appear at the end
- Reminder: When sending an email that contains CUI, it must be encrypted



How do you mark or identify CUI in spreadsheets

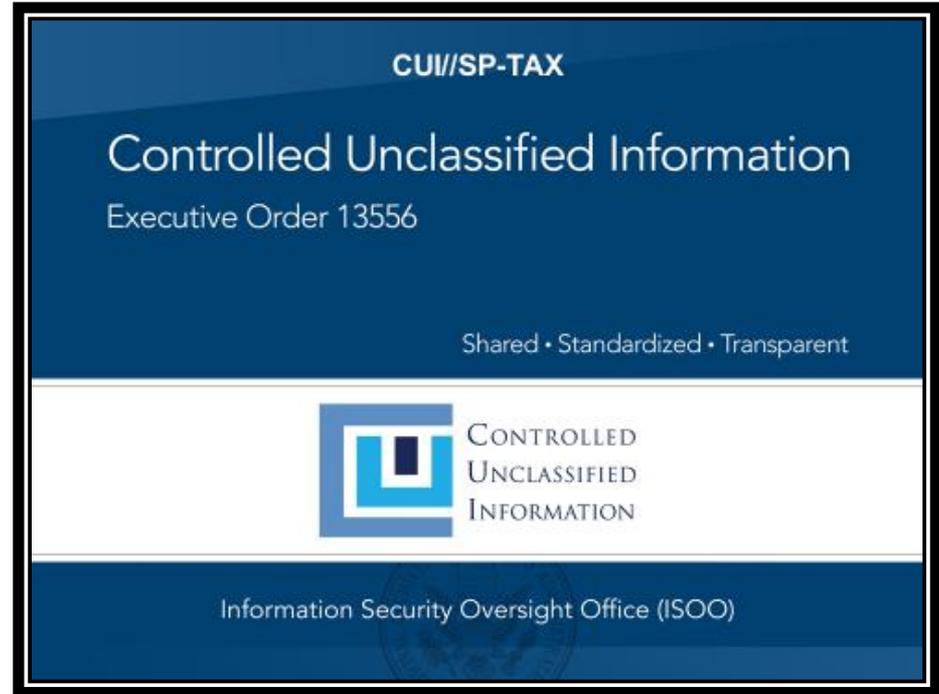
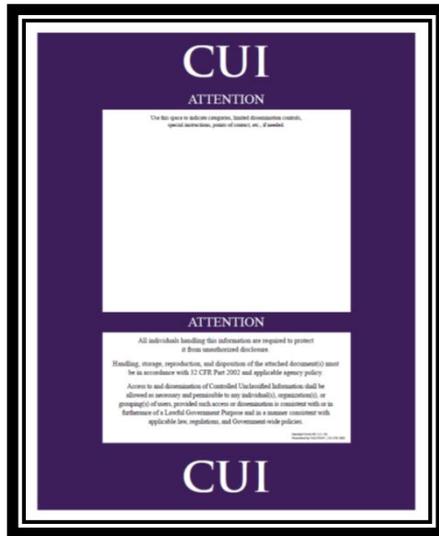
- If you are working in the spreadsheet you need to modify the header and/or footer
- Here are some ways:
 - Header
 - filename indicator (ex: contains CUI)
 - Coversheet (after printing)

Internal Review	1-Mar-20	FY20 - Q2	No	No
Draft	30-Sep-20	FY20 - Q4	No	No
Draft	1-Jun-20	FY20 - Q3	No	No
Draft	1-Apr-20	FY20 - Q3	No	No
Internal Review	1-Jun-20	FY20 - Q3	No	No
Complete		Complete	No	No
Internal Review	1-Nov-19	FY20 - Q1	No	No
Complete		Complete	Yes	No
Internal Review	31-Mar-20	FY20 - Q2	No	No
Internal Review	1-Jun-20	FY20 - Q3	No	No
Internal Review	1-Mar-20	FY20 - Q2	No	No
Developing		Developing	No	No
Planning	30-Sep-20	FY20 - Q4	No	No
Internal Review	30-Sep-20	FY20 - Q4	No	No
Draft	1-Oct-20	FY21 - Q1	No	No
Draft	30-Sep-20	FY20 - Q4	No	No
Internal Review	1-Oct-21	FY22 - Q1	No	No
Planning	1-Oct-21	FY22 - Q1	No	No
Draft	30-Sep-20	FY20 - Q4	No	No
Internal Review	1-Jun-20	FY20 - Q3	No	No
Complete		Complete	No	No
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Complete		Complete	No	No
Complete		Complete	Yes	Yes
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Developing	31-Mar-21	FY21 - Q2	No	No
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Complete		Complete	Yes	Yes
Draft	30-Sep-20	FY20 - Q4	Yes	No
Complete		Complete	No	No
Draft	31-Mar-20	FY20 - Q2	No	No
Internal Review	1-Dec-19	FY20 - Q1	Yes	No
Internal Review	31-Mar-20	FY20 - Q2	No	No
Draft	30-Sep-20	FY20 - Q4	No	No
Internal Review	30-Sep-20	FY20 - Q4	No	No
Planning	1-Nov-20	FY21 - Q1	No	No
Complete		Complete	No	No

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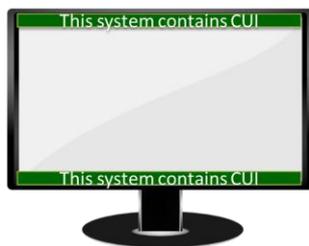
How do you mark or identify CUI in PowerPoints

- Here are some ways:
 - Apply banner marking
 - Filename indicator (ex: contains CUI)
 - Coversheet



How do you mark or identify CUI in databases or application

- Here are some ways:
 - Apply banner marking to outputs when printing
 - filename indicator (ex: contains CUI)
 - Coversheet (upon printing)
 - Splash screen (upon log in or initial access to system)
 - Individual pages can carry a banner marking to indicate CUI is present



Marking Transmittal Documents

- If a transmittal document accompanies CUI, it **must** indicate that CUI is attached and include
 - “When enclosure is removed, this document is Uncontrolled Unclassified Information” or
 - “When enclosure is removed, this document is (CUI Category); upon removal, this document does not contain CUI”

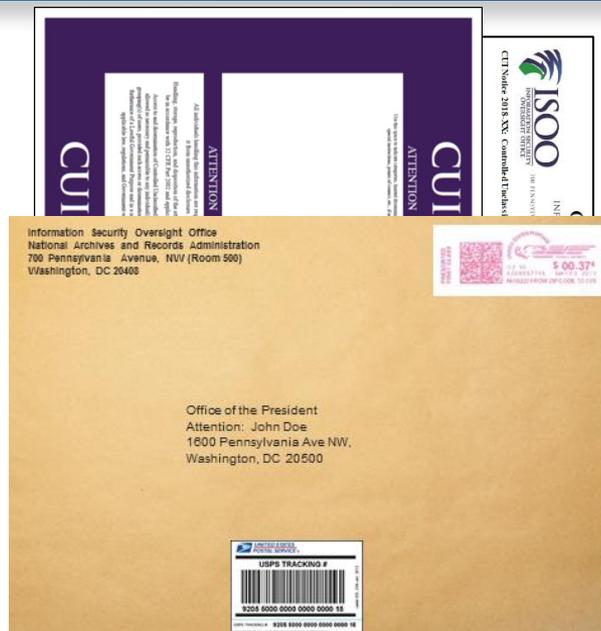
Mandatory Transmittal Message

CUI//SP-EXPT/EXPTR//FED ONLY/NOFORN	
CUI//SP-EXPT/EXPTR//FED ONLY/NOFORN	
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INFORMATION SECURITY OVERSIGHT OFFICE	
	
F A X Information Security Oversight Office National Archives and Records Administration 700 Pennsylvania Ave, NW. (202) 357-6870	CONTROLLED When enclosure is removed, this document is Uncontrolled Unclassified Information
Marking Sample	
June 20, 2018	
To: Other Random Employee Fax number: (202) 357-6871/6872	
From: Lorem Ipsum Fax number: (202) 357-6871/6872	
Date: 06.22.2018	
Regarding: Agency Information [Contains CUI]	
Phone number for follow-up: (202)357-6870	
Comments: The attachment contains CUI//SP-EXPT/EXPTR//FED ONLY/NOFORN.	

Mandatory Message that CUI is Present

Shipping and Mailing

- CUI may be shipped
 - Best practice is to track the package



DO NOT Place Markings on Packages/Envelopes



Portion Markings

CUI



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June 27, 2013

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

From: John E. Doe, Chief Division 5

Subject: (U) Examples

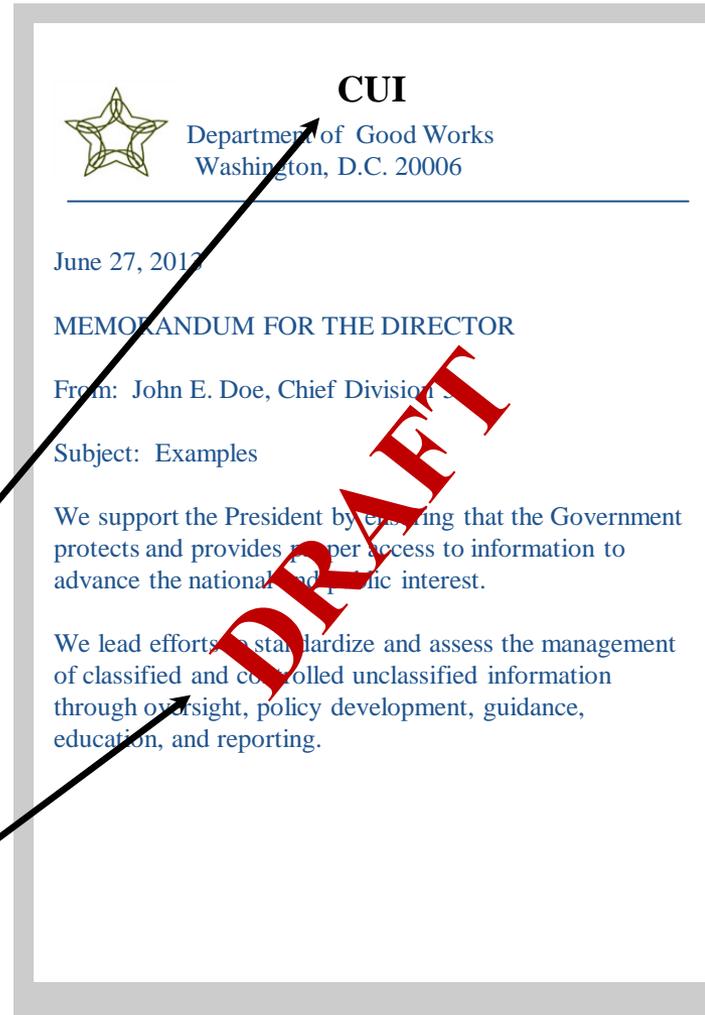
(U) We support the President by ensuring that the Government protects and provides proper access to information to advance the national and public interest.

(CUI) We lead efforts to standardize and assess the management of classified and controlled unclassified information through oversight, policy development, guidance, education, and reporting.

**Portion
Markings**

- Though not required, portion marking is a **highly encouraged practice**
- CUI Portion Markings are placed at the beginning of the portion to which they apply and must be used throughout the entire document
- When marking CUI, if a portion of the document does not contain CUI it can be denoted as Uncontrolled (U)

Supplemental Administrative Marking



- Supplemental Agency Markings can be used to denote non-final status of a document
- Cannot be used to control CUI and cannot be commingled into the CUI Banner Marking

QUESTION #1

What are the 2 kinds of CUI?

A. Sensitive and Unsensitive

B. Basic and Specified

C. Classified and Unclassified

CUI Specified
(Requires unique markings)

Laws, Regulations, or Government-wide policies require specific protections. For example:

- Unique markings
- Enhanced physical safeguards
- Limits on who can access the information

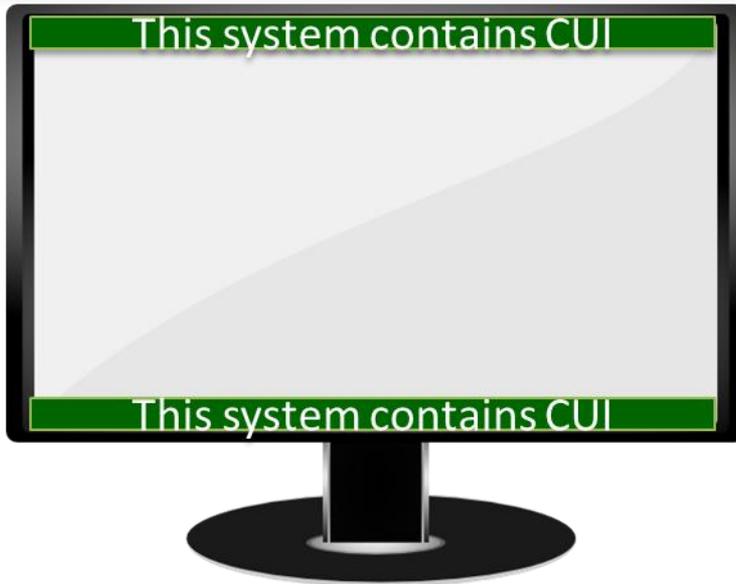
CUI Basic

Laws, Regulations, or Government-wide policies **DO NOT** require specific protections

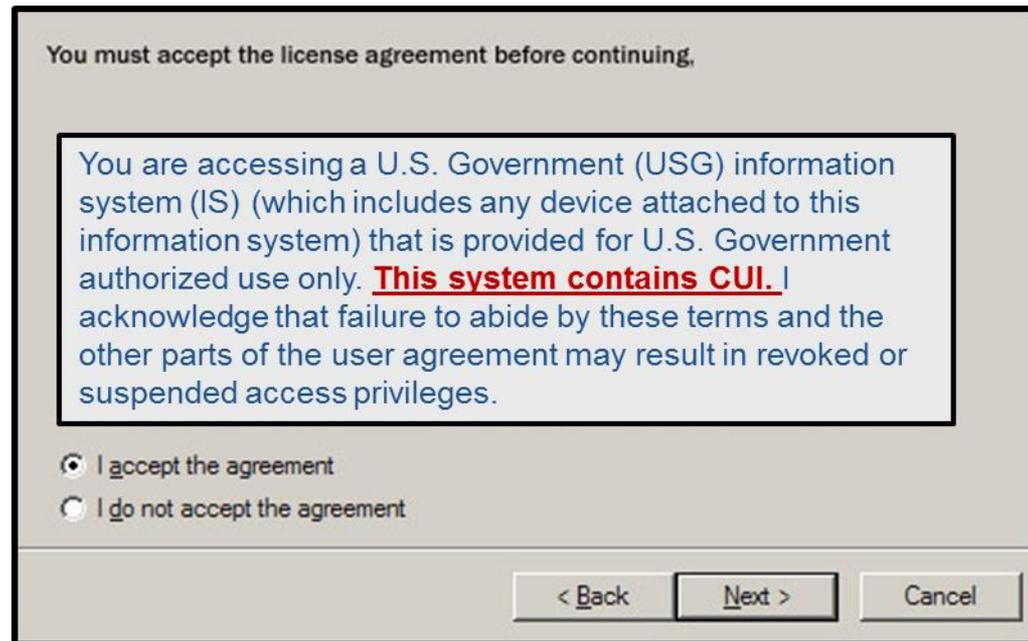
QUESTION #2

True or False:

Your Agency does **NOT** have to alert the user of the presence of CUI when logging into IT systems, websites, browsers, or databases



Agencies may authorize or require the use of alternate CUI indicators on IT systems, websites, browsers, or databases through agency CUI policy. These may be used to alert users of the presence of CUI where use of markings has been waived by the agency head.



QUESTION #3

True or False:

It is **MANDATORY** to include a banner marking at the top of the page to alert the user that CUI is present?

CUI Control Marking

CUI Category
Marking (if
required)

Limited Dissemination Control
Marking

CUI OR CONTROLLED//CATEGORY//DISSEMINATION

MANDATORY:

CUI Banner Markings must appear on the top portion of the page

QUESTION #4

TRUE OR FALSE:

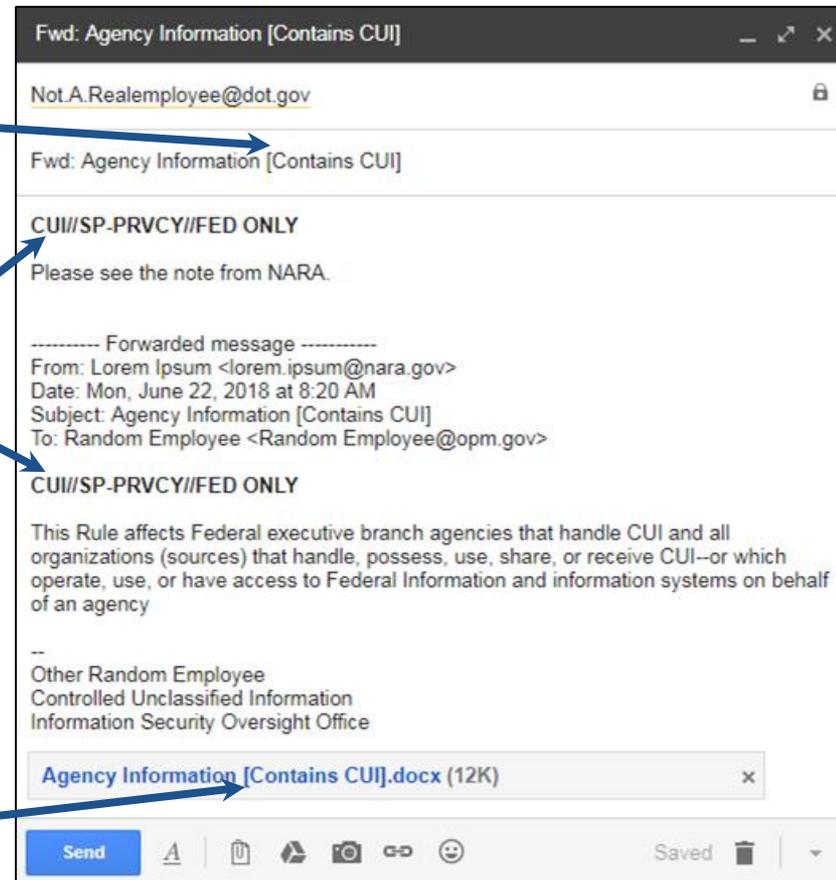
When sending an email that contains CUI you must include an indicator marking in the subject line

- When marking emails it is **mandatory** to include a **Banner Marking** to indicate that the email contains CUI
- It is best practice to include an Indicator Marking in the subject line
- If the email is forwarded, the Banner Marking **must** be carried forward
- If sending an attachment that contains CUI, the name of the file can contain a CUI indicator

Optional
Subject
Line
Indicator
Marking

Mandatory
Banner
Marking

Optional
Attachment
Indicator
Marking



QUESTION #5

True or False:
You can **ONLY** use FedEx or
UPS to mail CUI

Answer: FALSE Shipping and Mailing

- CUI may be shipped
 - Best practice is to track the package



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QUESTION #6

True or False:

Below is an accurate example of how
to use Supplemental Administrative
Markings:

CUI//SP-DRAFT

Supplemental Administrative Marking

Answer:
FALSE

**CUI
Banner
Marking**

**Administrative
Indicator**

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QUESTION #7

Yes or No:

Can you use the CUI
Coversheet in lieu of marking
a document?

Answer: YES Coversheet

CUI

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Use this space to indicate categories, limited dissemination controls, special instructions, points of contact, etc., if needed.

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Standard Form 901: Detailed Coversheet

- Coversheets are optional, and can replace Banner Markings
- It can also include categories/dissemination controls or list/originator designation
- Download from the CUI Registry at: www.archives.gov/cui/additional-tools

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