

Export Controls Frequently Asked Questions

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1. Who do I contact if I plan to travel to or transact with a sanctioned country?

A: Contact the UCI Export Control Officer at 949-824-0445 for guidance as soon as possible, for any of the following, involving a comprehensively sanctioned country, listed individual or entity:

- any imports/exports (examples include research samples, artwork, or any research material)
- collaboration with individuals residing in a sanctioned country
- research in
- travel to (including to attend a conference)
- transfer of funds to

2. Who do I contact if I have questions regarding the legal requirements for international shipping and hand-carrying?

A: Incorrect shipping paperwork can lead to delays in shipments, lost time and lost opportunity. Failure to obtain an export license when required could result in fines of \$250,000 to \$1million per violation and prison time for criminal convictions. False export declarations fines are \$10,000. Customs fines vary by country and can also include seizure or detention of goods. Contact the UCI Export Control Officer at 949-824-0445 before shipping internationally or hand carrying items abroad.

3. What do I do if I am contacted by an outside investigating agency regarding export control?

A: It is University policy to cooperate with outside investigating agencies to the fullest extent required by law, while fully protecting the rights and privacy of our students, faculty, staff and research subjects. It is important to immediately notify the Office of Research or Compliance and Privacy Office if an outside investigating agency presents a subpoena, search warrant, court

order, national security letter or other document compelling the University or an individual to produce documents or otherwise provide information.

4. What kinds of items are controlled under federal export control regulations?

A: This is a general list of particular areas called out in the export control lists. Contact the Export Control Officer at 949-824-0445 for a more in-depth review to see if a license or license exception is required before export.

- Life Sciences (biotech and biomed engineering) and Chemicals (including medical center and health sciences research)
- Nanotechnology and materials technologies – e.g., composites and ceramics, various nanotech and sensor programs
- Advanced computing, microelectronics and telecommunications
- Information security and encryption
- Applied physics – e.g., lasers and directed energy systems
- Sensors, sensor technology, imaging
- Advanced avionics and navigation (DOC), and Space-related technologies and prototypes (ITAR exclusive jurisdiction)
- Marine technologies
- Sophisticated machine tool technologies and bearings
- Robotics
- Items or technology specially developed for the military

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