

Security Clearance Requirements at DSS

Placement within DSS is contingent upon meeting eligibility requirements for a sensitive position, requiring either a Secret or Top Secret security clearance. Prior to appointment, a background investigation will be conducted to determine your security eligibility for the position being filled, unless you have already met such requirements at a previous position and the security determination remains valid. A brochure explaining security clearances can be found at: <http://infolink.dss.mil/files/security/whs.ppt> once on the DSS network. The Department of Defense requires the use of Standard Form (SF) 86, "Questionnaire for National Security Positions," which you will be directed to complete by DSS HR Specialists, if required.

You may be able to start work with DSS if you are granted an interim clearance, which means that you have met certain minimum security requirements for employment, pending completion of all of the security requirements. If granted an interim clearance, your continued employment with DSS is contingent upon favorable completion of a personnel security investigation, and failure to obtain the required final clearance will result in termination of employment.

If you have any questions regarding the security clearance procedure, please contact your HR Specialist on 703-325-5338 or the DSS Security Office at 703-325-9458.