

The following “Red Flags” illustrate situations in which an export control violation is likely to occur.

- The customer or its address is similar to one of the parties found on the list of Restricted Parties (see Restricted Party Screening.)
- The recipient or their agent is reluctant to offer information about the end-use of the item.
- Receiving unsolicited emails from unknown individuals, including those who identify themselves as academics or students, asking for information on, assistance with, or sharing of knowhow/technology/data with potential military applications.
- The item’s capabilities do not fit the buyer's line of business, such as an order for sophisticated computers for a small bakery.
- The customer has little or no expertise in the research topic or item being shipped.
- The customer is unfamiliar with the product's performance characteristics but still wants the product.
- A freight forwarding firm is listed as the product's final destination.
- The shipping route is abnormal for the product and destination.
- Packaging is inconsistent with the stated method of shipment or destination.
- When questioned, the buyer is evasive and especially unclear about whether the purchased product is for domestic use, for export, or for re-export.

If you have reason to believe a violation is taking place or has occurred, you may report it to Export Controls at exports@princeton.edu or to the Princeton University Hotline.

Members of the University community may submit an anonymous report via EthicsPoint (<https://secure.ethicspoint.com/domain/media/en/gui/27291/>) or by phone (1-866-478-9804.).