Northrop Grumman Supplier Registration Guide
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Introduction

Northrop Grumman has selected Ariba Network as our digital platform to onboard suppliers and manage supplier information that is necessary to conduct business. This does not include any Buying or Invoicing transactions, but strictly for supplier onboarding and supplier information management. To learn more about Ariba Network please visit www.ariba.com/ariba-network.

Quick Steps / Registration Summary

Use the following summary action sheet as a quick guide to complete the Northrop Grumman supplier onboarding process through Ariba Network. For details, screen shots, and helpful tips along the way continue reading through this document.

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   In addition, for suppliers using third party email services, such as Gmail, Yahoo, Microsoft 365, etc., Northrop Grumman also mandates 2FA to be enabled for your email service to further protect from cyber breaches. Please consult with your email provider to determine the best 2FA option that best meets your business needs.  
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| ONGOING | 1. You may be asked to complete additional qualification questionnaire(s) outside of Ariba Network  
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   NG policy requires supplier information to be updated at least every 3 years  
3. Upon completion, click on “Submit Entire Response”  
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STEP 1: Receive Invitation from Northrop Grumman to Connect on the Ariba Network

1. Receive email invitation (example below).

**NGC Supply Chain - TEST**

Register as a supplier with NGC Supply Chain - TEST

Hello!

Northrop Grumman Global Supply Chain has invited you to register to become a supplier with Northrop Grumman Corporation.

Northrop Grumman Corporation uses a third-party platform called Ariba Network to collaborate with suppliers and manage their registration activities. There is no cost to you or your company to join the Ariba network.

Click here to register with Northrop Grumman on the Ariba Network. If Ariba already has an account with Ariba Network, sign-in with your username and password. If not, create an account.

After registration, use the following link for continued access to Ariba: https://supplier.ariba.com/

For additional information on our Ariba registration process and system, visit our supplier website via the following link: http://www2.northropgrumman.com/suppliers/pages/D connectivity.aspx

Below are some of the benefits your company may experience with the Ariba Network:
- Maintain your own company information, and keep it up-to-date for continued business with Northrop Grumman Corporation
- Find other companies on the Ariba Network to expand your business
- Provide other users within your company to collaborate on completing the information required
- User-friendly and built-in data validation for enhanced data quality

We look forward to our collaboration. Thank you.

You are receiving this email because your customer, NGC Supply Chain - TGST, has identified you as the appropriate contact for this correspondence. If you are not the correct contact, please contact NGC Supply Chain - TGST.

2. From the email invitation, “Click Here”. This link will expire in 30 days.

Click Here to register with Northrop Grumman on the Ariba Network.
STEP 2: Create New Ariba Network Account or Log-in with Existing Account

STEP 2 ACTIONS

1. If you are not yet registered with the Ariba Network, create an account by clicking on “Sign up”. If you are already registered with the Ariba Network, click on “Log in” to access your account.

- If you are logging in with your existing Ariba Network Account and having trouble, instruction on password reset is here, instructions on reaching Ariba Support is here.

- If you are logging in with your existing Ariba Network Account and you receive this error message, “The username and password entered has already merged to another Ariba Sourcing user account” (screenshot below), use an alternate account if you have one or create a new Ariba Network Account to progress with the Registration Questionnaire to which Northrop Grumman has invited you.

TIP: Take advantage of the right navigation bar for any questions during this step – enter your question in the search bar, browse through the FAQs, and/or click on “Support” at the bottom, which will take you to the Ariba Help Center for further assistance.
2. When you sign up to create a new Ariba account, Ariba may detect potential existing accounts based on your Company name, address, etc. When it does, you have two options:

- Option 1, Skip Review: Proceed with new account creation, in which you will automatically become the Ariba Administrator for the new account created (representing your Company).
  - For video instructions of the new account creation process, click [here].
  - As the Ariba Administrator, learn more about your account configuration by clicking [here].
• Option 2, Review Accounts (If you are certain that the existing account is actively managed by someone at their company): Contact the Ariba Administrator for the existing account who can add you as a new user. This helps limit the number of accounts created for your Company.

3. Once you have completed signing up with Ariba or signing into your account, move on to STEP 3 and complete Northrop Grumman’s Registration Questionnaire. Ariba Account Creation Does Not Equate To Being A Registered Supplier With Northrop Grumman. Please continue on and complete NG’s Registration Questionnaire.
STEP 3: Complete and Submit Registration Questionnaire

Note: Once you are registered and signed into the Ariba Network, you should be able to access Northrop Grumman’s Event Dashboard and within it the Supplier Registration Questionnaire. **Northrop Grumman mandates Two-Factor Authentication (2FA) to provide the best possible protection from cyber breaches of your accounts. Visit the following link on how to enable 2FA:** [How to enable two-factor authentication - SAP Help Portal](#)

In addition, for suppliers using third party email services, such as Gmail, Yahoo, Microsoft 365, etc., Northrop Grumman also mandates 2FA to be enabled for your email service to further protect from cyber breaches. Please consult with your email provider to determine the best 2FA option that best meets your business needs.

**STEP 3 ACTIONS**

1. Once logged in, navigate to Ariba Proposals and Questionnaires (from the top left drop down list) and click on Supplier Registration Questionnaire (if not already there). **The first time you log-in using the link in the invitation email, you will be taken directly to the Supplier Registration Questionnaire.**
2. Complete the Supplier Registration Questionnaire. You will have 90 days to complete the Registration as indicated by the countdown clock in the top right corner.
3. Submit Entire Response. Upon clicking this button, you should receive an email confirmation like the one below. Your registration will now go through Northrop Grumman’s internal review and approval process.

![email confirmation]

**STEP 4: Northrop Grumman Review and Approval**

- **STEP 1** Receive invitation from Northrop Grumman to Connect on the Ariba Network (AN)
- **STEP 2** Create New Ariba Network Account or Log-in with Existing Account
- **STEP 3** Complete and Submit Northrop Grumman Supplier Registration Questionnaire
- **STEP 4** Northrop Grumman Review and Approval (May Require Follow up)
- **ONGOING** Maintain Your Questionnaire and Complete Additional Qualification Questionnaire(s) As Requested

While your Registration is in Northrop Grumman’s internal review process, the status will show “Pending Approval”

![status pending approval]

**STEP 4 ACTION**

1. Await Northrop Grumman approval and stand by for three possible outcomes during the review and approval process:
• **Registered** – when your Supplier Registration Questionnaire is approved, you will receive a confirmation email and the status on your Event Dashboard will display “Registered”. You are now a registered supplier with Northrop Grumman; **however, please be advised that you may be asked to complete additional forms in/outside of Ariba to satisfy any unique requirements of the Northrop Grumman organization.**

![Registered Status](image)

• **Pending Resubmission** – if the Northrop Grumman reviewer identifies something that needs to be corrected or clarified, you may receive an email notification to take appropriate action. **Please be on the look-out for these notifications.** The status on your Event Dashboard will display “Pending Resubmission”.

Click into the Supplier Registration Questionnaire, and click on Revise Response to update your information per the comments provided in the email notification.
• **Registration Denied** – during the review, Northrop Grumman may decide to no longer continue with your company’s registration process. In this case, you will receive an email notification with the rejection reason.
NGC Supply Chain - TEST

Hello

After reviewing your information, your registration was declined.

This may have an impact on your ability to do future business with NGC Supply Chain - TEST. Contact NGC for more information or if you have questions.

Sincerely,
NGC Supply Chain - TEST

You are receiving this email because your customer, NGC Supply Chain - TEST, has identified you as the appropriate contact for this correspondence. If you are not the correct contact, please contact NGC Supply Chain - TEST.

TIPS:

- If you need to revise your answers to the Supplier Registration Questionnaire in the middle of the Northrop Grumman internal process before approval disposition, contact your Northrop Grumman Buyer / SCA for assistance in requesting that the Registration is returned to you for amendments.

- If you need input from other departments within your company to complete the Supplier Registration Questionnaire, see FAQ#9

  Note: Only Ariba administrators from your company can add users. Contact Ariba Support to find your company’s Ariba administrator. For additional information on how to contact Ariba, please see the Additional Support section of this document.
ONGOING: Maintain Your Questionnaire and Complete Additional Qualification Questionnaire As Requested

Note: One of the key benefits of the Ariba Network is that your company can keep its information up-to-date at any time after approved registration status.

ONGOING ACTIONS

1. After your Supplier Registration Questionnaire is approved by Northrop Grumman and status changed to “Registered”, you may be asked to complete additional qualification questionnaire outside of Ariba Network.

2. When you need to update your information, click into the Supplier Registration Questionnaire, and then click on Revise Response. (Use this link to log-in to Ariba Network, which will take you straight to Northrop Grumman’s Supplier Registration Questionnaire: ngcsupplychain.supplier.ariba.com)

Be on the look-out for reminder notifications. Northrop Grumman policy requires supplier information to be updated at least every 3 years. You will receive a notification 180 days prior to the 3-year expiration, then a reminder every 30 days, and a last reminder 7 days prior to the 3-year expiration.

3. Review all of your information in order to ensure that they are all up-to-date, then click on Submit Entire Response. Same Northrop Grumman internal review process will be initiated as described in STEP 4: Northrop Grumman Review and Approval.
TIPS:

- As the 3-year expiration approaches, if there is nothing to update about your company information, go ahead and click on the Revise Response button and then submit without any updates. This will help your company stay current in our supplier database.

- When you update your company’s information, be sure to select today’s date in section 8 – it may be defaulted to the expiration date.
## Additional Support

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### How to contact Ariba Support

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Reference Northrop Grumman when you are in contact with Ariba Support so that we can track the Service Request (SR) and ensure you are receiving the support you need in a timely and sufficient manner.

- **When Logged Out:** [SAP ARIBA SUPPORT for Suppliers in Ariba Network](#)
- **When Logged In:** [Ariba Network Supplier Support Click To Call Process](#)

Once you submit a call back, you will receive an email notification with the Service Request (SR) number.

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Hello!

Thank you for requesting a call from SAP Ariba Customer Support. Your request was successfully received.

We will call you as soon as a specialist is available. We look forward to speaking with you!

Sincerely,

SAP Ariba Customer Support

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*DO NOT DELETE*
More about Ariba Help Center

- Home – Type in keywords / questions to find helpful documentation
- Learning – Navigate by category to find helpful documentation
- Support – Type in keywords / questions, then answer a series of questions to help narrow down the right resource. If you don’t find what you are looking for you can get help via email or phone
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Ariba has collected various FAQs across the industry and made them available on their Help Center. We have added a few more FAQs that may be helpful and will continue to update this document as we encounter more FAQs throughout our journey.

1. What is a Unique Entity ID (UEI)?
   - Unique Entity ID (UEI) now replaces the DUNS number and each supplier must apply for their own UEI ID. TransitionUniqueEntityID_UEI.pdf (northropgrumman.com)

2. What do I do if I can’t find my Ariba Invitation email in my inbox?
   - First confirm with the Northrop Grumman Buyer/SCA (Subcontract Administrator) that the invitation was sent. If confirmed that the invitation was sent, inquire with your IT department to ensure emails can be received from email domain: ansmtp.ariba.com.

3. What do I do if the Ariba Invitation email went to the wrong email address?
   - Contact the NG Buyer/SCA and provide the correct email address. They will coordinate with the internal supplier administration team.

4. What should I do if I encounter an expired link error when I “Click Here” in the Invitation Email?
   - First try clearing your web browser cache and cookies, closing out the browser and then opening a new browser session.
   - If the issue persists, contact Ariba Support.

5. What do I do if I’m signed into the Ariba Network, but I cannot see/access the Supplier Registration Questionnaire?
   - Ensure that you have followed the instructions to navigate to Ariba Proposals And Questionnaires. If you still cannot see the Questionnaire, contact your Northrop Grumman Buyer/SCA to check if the ANID on your side matches the ANID on the Northrop Grumman side.
     o If the ANIDs do not match, go to the Invitation Email, “Click Here” again, then create a new account instead of signing into your existing Ariba Account.
     o If the ANIDs match, contact Ariba Support.

6. What is an ANID?
   - Ariba Network ID: it’s the ID number for a company’s profile on the Ariba Network (not the same as user ID). Multiple user IDs can be created under a company’s ANID.
7. **What do I do if I need more time to complete the Supplier Registration Questionnaire?**

   - Contact the NG Buyer/SCA to request the extension. They will coordinate with the internal supplier administration team.

8. **What do I do if Ariba will not let me save the Supplier Registration Questionnaire?**

   - Ensure that there are no data validation errors (some fields may require specific formatting). If there are errors, try going to a different section or addressing the errors, and then saving again.

9. **How do I add users to my Ariba Network account?**

   - [https://support.ariba.com/item/view/193412](https://support.ariba.com/item/view/193412)

10. **How do I allow additional user(s) from my company to complete the Supplier Registration Questionnaire?**

    - [Click here](https://support.ariba.com/item/view/193412) to open the instructional document

11. **What do I do if I need to revise my answers to the Registration Questionnaire in the middle of the Northrop Grumman’s approval process?**

    - Contact your Northrop Grumman Buyer/SCA for assistance in requesting that the Registration is returned to you for amendments.

12. **How do I merge/consolidate Ariba accounts from other customers?**

    - [https://support.ariba.com/Item/view/181922](https://support.ariba.com/Item/view/181922)

13. **How do I access my company’s Ariba Account after the administrator has left the company?**

    - [https://support.ariba.com/item/view/192807](https://support.ariba.com/item/view/192807)

14. **What overall safeguards does Ariba have in place to protect data, including threats whereby a hacker gains access to and/or changes existing records with thousands of suppliers?**

    - Ariba uses proven technology and multiple levels of firewall and security to protect our customer data. All changes to records are audit logged and preserved for the duration of your subscription. In event of a breach using the audit logs Ariba can retrace any changes or edits made based on IP address and additional attributes that are determined. Ariba has an incident management process with detailed instructions and processes to help with any such scenario.

    Ariba also has security and compliance documents, certifications, and assertions that are available at the SAP Trust Center: [https://www.sap.com/about/trust-center.html](https://www.sap.com/about/trust-center.html)
Appendix

Below is a visual process flow that may be helpful to follow during the sign up / log-in process. The hyperlinks referenced in the illustration are:

- Password (PW) Reset
- supplier.ariba.com
- How to Reach Ariba Support

Ariba Sign Up / Log-in Resolution Process Flow