

Strategic Goods Control

Scope of Control

01. What Are "Strategic Goods" ?

Strategic goods are items or technologies that have:

- Military applications; or
- Dual-use applications for both civilian and military purposes.



[Understand what counts as strategic goods](#) →

Control depends on specifications and capability, not appearance alone

03. Dual-Use Goods

Dual-use goods are goods capable of being used for both civilian purpose and a military purpose.

Examples include:



Advanced electronics



Certain chemicals or materials

[Check if your goods are dual-use](#) →

05. When Is a Permit Required?

A strategic goods permit is required for:

- Export, tranship or transit of strategic goods
- Transmission of strategic goods technology
- Goods or technology that is intended or likely to be used, wholly or in part, for or in connection with a relevant activity.



For strategic goods transactions, apply for the permit at least 5 working days before:

- Loading goods onto conveyance for export or transhipment
- Arrival of conveyance which the goods are brought in transit through Singapore

[Apply for a strategic goods permit](#) →



02. Military Goods

Military goods are goods solely or predominantly designed or modified for a military purpose. They typically include:



Firearms and weapons



Ammunition and explosives



Missiles, rockets, and delivery systems



Armoured vehicles and combat platforms

[Check if your goods are controlled](#) →

04. Intangible Transfer of Technology Not Just Physical Goods

Any electronic transmission of controlled strategic goods technology in Singapore, or the act of making the controlled strategic goods technology available in Singapore on a computer, so that it becomes accessible to a person in a foreign country.

This includes:

- Electronic transmission e.g. email of strategic goods technology such as blueprints, diagrams etc
- Conducting virtual meetings and sharing strategic goods technology



[Check if your transfer is controlled](#) →

06. Common Questions from AskGov

Q1: Are strategic goods only military items?

No. Strategic goods include dual-use goods with civilian and military applications.

Q2: Do software and technical data count as controlled goods?

It depends on the technical specifications and the mode of transmission.

Q3: What happens if I export strategic goods without a permit?

Companies which violate any regulatory requirement relating to Strategic Goods (Control) Act may be liable to enforcement actions.