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October 14, 2026

NOTICE TO THE TRADE – DeCA NOTICE 26 – 183

SUBJECT: Category Review Notification – Fish Can

The purpose of this notice is to advise Industry the Sales Directorate will begin the category review for Fish Can in November 2026. In accordance with Notice to the Trade 26-183 - Calendar Year 2026 Category Review Schedule, DeCA will begin leveraging the Category Captains and Validators model.

Category Captain Broker: S&K
Category Validator Broker: EURPAC

Appointments / Presentations will be held on November 16 - 20, 2026. Appointment requests must be submitted no later than October 23rd, 2026.

All files larger than 5 MB should be uploaded to the DoD SAFE at the following website: <https://safe.apps.mil>. This review is open for current and potential new vendors seeking business opportunities with DeCA. The attached template identifies the categories to be reviewed, category review objectives, and relevant information.

Questions regarding this review and appointment requests may be directed to Mr. Mauricio Castro-Lopez, Merchandising Specialist, at mauricio.castro-lopez@deca.mil or 804-734-8000 extension 4849.

Robert
Culbreth

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Robert B. Culbreth
Director of Sales, Non-Fresh
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Attachments:
As stated

CATEGORY PLAN

Category:

Universe of Items Included (e.g. D/C/G codes) :

Planogram Name / Number*:

*Category definition based on current and previous published planograms (to include items that have been phased out).

Regional items (Include / Exclude):

Optional items (Include / Exclude):

One-time buy/seasonal items (Include / Exclude):

Club packs (Include / Exclude):

Category Segmentation (if different than D/C/G codes identified above):

Category Evaluation Month (MM/YYYY):

Date Last Completed (MM/YYYY):

Category Manager:

Implementation / Scorecard to be Managed by:

Category Role (e.g. Destination, Routine, Convenience) :

Marketing Strategy:

To be determined by Industry/DeCA during Evaluation. Discussion to include, but not limited to, topics below:

Number of Promotions Per Year:

Seasonal Promotions?:

Theme Event?

Method (i.e. Mandate):

Category Objectives:

Special Factors/Notes:

(Examples - Focus on emerging category trends, new item introductions, consumer segmentation...)

Evaluation Criteria:

Current Category POG Size (in Linear Feet):

K4 (e.g. 12ft)

K3 (e.g. 12ft)

K2 (e.g. 12ft)

K1 (e.g. 8ft)

Preferred Period Ending for Data (MM/YYYY):

Preferred Timeframe for Data (e.g. 26 Weeks)

Data - Geography (e.g. Worldwide, ConUS)

Primary Ranking of Data (Packages, Dollars)

Secondary Ranking of Data (Packages, Dollars):

Comparison Retail Market (e.g. All Other Channels**, Remaining Markets)

Review Milestones

NTT Release

Vendor Presentations

Results Published

New Item Start Date

New Items in Distributor by

POG's Published

Store Resets Start

Comments:

Please note that these dates are subject to change based on category size and complexity, as well as other factors beyond our control, including distributor-related issues or other unforeseen circumstances. In some cases, decisions may be made sooner than the projected timeline if the scope allows.

Fish Can

04150

Exclude

Exclude

Exclude

Exclude

NOVEMBER 2026

July 2023

Ashley Devenport

Mauricio Castro-Lopez

Destination

Increase sales while performing SKU optimization. Optimize variety while meeting customer needs.

Focus on new innovation while maintaining top sellers.

8, 12, 16ft

4ft

OCTOBER 2026

13 and 52 weeks

CONUS including AK/HI

Patron Savings/Dollars/Units

ACV

RM and/or xAOC

October 6, 2026

November 16-20, 2026

January 29, 2027

February 16, 2027

February 26, 2027

March 19, 2027

April 5, 2027