

Research Security & Safety

The Stony Brook University community has many valuable resources to protect. These bulletins are meant to provide quick facts, best practices, and key University contacts.

Export Controlled Equipment

The access, use, and transfer of certain highly sensitive research equipment (e.g. infrared cameras, lasers, etc.) needs to be carefully managed.

Why Controlling Access and Use is Important

By properly securing such items, you are taking steps to prevent:

- Inadvertent release of technological know-how to unauthorized foreign persons (a “deemed export”) which can have negative impacts on U.S. national security
- Theft
- Vandalism
- Unauthorized photography
- Financial or administrative sanctions upon SBU by the gov’t

Best Practices

- Ask the vendor for the export classification **prior** to purchase to ensure items are EAR99 (this is what most consumer grade items are)
- For other than EAR99 items (and especially if subject to ITAR) work with a university Export Compliance Officer to put physical security controls in place as appropriate (locks, signage, surveillance, etc.)
- Do not ship or hand carry non-EAR99 items to foreign locations without consulting a university Export Compliance Officer first
- Keep user manuals under your supervision and control if they’re for non-EAR99 items



Whom to Contact

The [Export Controls Program](#) (part of the larger Research Security Program) manages all aspects of export compliance for SBU.

They are located within the Office of the Vice President for Research (OVPR) and can be contacted at:

ovpr_exports_admin@stonybrook.edu

University Policy

[Export Control Policy](#)