**Classification Management Training Aid**

**Overall Classification**

**Executive Order 13526, “Classified National Security Information”**

**Sec.1.6.(a) states:** *At the time of original classification, the following shall be indicated...*

*One of the three classification levels – TOP SECRET, SECRET, or CONFIDENTIAL*

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**§2001.21(b) states:** *Overall marking. The highest level of classification is determined by the highest level of any one portion within the document and shall appear in a way that will distinguish it clearly from the informational text.*

(1) *Conspicuously place the overall classification at the top and bottom of the outside of the front cover (if any), on the title page (if any), on the first page, and on the outside of the back cover (if any).*

(2) *For documents containing information containing information classified at more than one level, the overall marking shall be the highest level.*

(3) *Each interior page of a classified document shall be marked at the top and bottom either with the highest level of classification of information contained on that page, including the designation “Unclassified” when it is applicable, or with the highest overall classification of the document.*

**§2001.22(f) states:** *Overall marking. The derivative classifier shall conspicuously mark the classified document with the highest level of classification of information included in the document, as provided in §2001.21(b).*

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The overall classification of a document cannot be determined until all portions of a document have been marked. The PORTION MARKS establish the OVERALL CLASSIFICATION of the document.

**TOP SECRET**

(U) The Basics

(S) There are three levels of classification – TOP SECRET, SECRET, and CONFIDENTIAL.

(S) There are two ways to classify a document – ORIGINAL CLASSIFICATION or DERIVATIVE CLASSIFICATION.

(U) There are three steps when properly marking a classified document:

(C) PORTION MARK all paragraphs, subparagraphs, subjects, titles, charts, pictures, etc. of a document.

(S) The PORTION MARKS will determine the OVERALL CLASSIFICATION of the document.

(U) The CLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY BLOCK will identify the individual who created the document, the source of classification, and the declassification instructions.

(TS) There is no difference in the rules when marking a document electronically.

**TOP SECRET**

Based on the portion markings, the overall classification of this document is TOP SECRET.

**SECRET**

(U) Plasmodium Life Cycle

- (S) Mosquito bite
- (S) Sporozoites enter blood
- (U) Travel to liver
  - (U) Hepatocytes
  - (S) Asexual growth
    - (U) Schizonts → merozoites
  - (S) Merozoites to blood
- (U) Merozoa to blood
  - (U) Infect RBC
    - (U) Release trophozoites, merozoites, schizonts
  - (C) Merozoite transformation
    - (C) Gametocytes
- (S) Passed to new mosquito
  - (S) Sexual cycle

**SECRET**

(U) Decorating Your House for Halloween

- (U) It is important to decorate your house for Halloween so that children can find who is giving out candy. If your house isn’t decorated then kids won’t come to your house.
- (U) Spooky decorations are fun, but they may scare the smaller kids away.
- (S) Cheesy decorations can be found EVERYWHERE and most people love them.
- (S) Funny decorations can be offensive to some so be careful. Make sure they are politically correct and clean.
- (U) Homemade decorations are the cheapest and they are fun to make. You can make spooky, cheesy and funny decorations for ½ the cost of buying them.

Classification markings are for training use only!