

Test Funding – Guidance

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For reporting T&E funding requirements in the TEMP, use the [Resource/Cost Element Example](#) to define resource and cost elements. The example is consistent with cost elements in test resource plans, detailed test plants, and budgetary TE-1 reporting forms.

T&E Funding Elements

Include all funding elements that apply to the T&E strategy.

Test Articles. Assets directly supporting T&E:

- Test Assets to be expended in test (as in LFT&E)
- Joint Assets (other platforms participating in the operational test)
- Targets (Actual or surrogates)
- Threats (Actual or surrogates, jammers, opposing forces, air defense systems)
- Weapons, ammunition, pyrotechnics, chaff, flares
- Other assets that participate in T&E (support aircraft, captive carry weapons, real-time casualty assessment instrumentation)

Test Resources Categories. Itemize only those test facilities that are used in T&E. Test facilities might include:

- Costs to operate on an Open Air Range (OAR), test range, training facility, at sea, or any facility where T&E is conducted
- Digital Modeling and Simulation (DMS) Facility (or Digital Models and Computer Simulations)
- Measurement Facility (MF)
- System Integration Laboratory (SIL)
- Hardware in the Loop (HITL) Facility
- Installed System Test Facility (ISTF)
- Distributed Live, Virtual, and Constructive (LVC) environment

Other Test Resources. Other test costs not previously mentioned and itemized

- Evaluation (evaluators, JITC participants, DISA participants assessment of IA (Cybersecurity))
- Support Contractor (if not already costed above)
- TDY and Travel
- Other

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- Computer and office supplies
- Transportation of test assets, equipment, and personnel to/from the test site
- Instrumentation (if not already costed above)

Funding Elements that should not be Included

- Costs paid to the developing contractor to develop and produce the system under test.
- Military and Government personnel costs.
- Operations and Support costs (spare parts, fuel, training, or other logistical services that will be provided for the system under test upon fielding)

T&E Funding Sources

T&E funding is provided by the program office of the system under test, by the Developmental or Operational Test Activity, by Joint organizations, or by Service-managed accounts. Included in Service-managed accounts are flying hour programs, joint or Service support assets, weapons, targets, ammunition, training ranges, exercises, or anything else that contributes to T&E but is not funded by the test activity or the program office.

Examples (pdf files)

[Resource/Cost Element Example](#)

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[Test Funding Space Observation Radar](#)

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