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What's new about on-line debarment checks?

Did you know that the on-line debarment system has moved to a different web site?

The excluded parties list system (EPLS), aka on-line debarred list, has moved to the System Award Management (SAM) web site: www.sam.gov. SAM looks and operates a little differently than what we're accustomed to with EPLS. Here are some tips for performing an exclusion (e.g. debarment) check:

First, you do not need to register or log-in to perform a debarment check. Simply type in the name of the entity that you want to check in the search box on the right hand side of the SAM home page and click on the red search icon (magnifying glass on right). The results will appear in a new window.

A filter menu (on the left side of the results) allows you to further screen the results for parties under that search name that are excluded parties (e.g., debarred): Select "Active" and "Performance Information" and click on "Apply Filters".

Additional guidance on how to use SAM can be found under "SAM Help" on the right side of the main menu bar, then click "User Help" from the menu on the left. This link will take you to a [Quick Start Guide](#) for searching in SAM.

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