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**Question:**

**Part 21 classification: Is the replacement of each Commercial Off-The-Shelf (COTS) equipment currently at least a minor change?**

**Answer:**

There are two possible cases. The replacement of a COTS having the same Part Number (p/n) is considered a maintenance action. Should the p/n be different, it has to be considered as a change.

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