

Section 701 Legislative Requirements Frequently Asked Questions

1) How do I know if my project is subject to Section 701?

A: Go to the website [here](#) and find the "IT Funding Provided by Biennium" link, find your project, and check the column called "Subject to 701? Y/N." If that cell is marked "Y", then your project is subject to 701 legislative requirements.

2) If my project is not listed or marked "N", does this mean I am not required to follow Section 701's Agile requirements?

A: Correct. These requirements are applicable to projects where funding is subjected to Section 701 per enacted budgets and where projects are funded through the IT Pool as shown in the LEAP omnibus document. Other projects are not subject to these legislative requirements.

3) Do these 701 legislative requirements apply to only new projects or in-flight projects as well?

A: Both new and in-flight projects.

4) Is the two-week sprint cycle required to start with project initiation, or once the project is in the Execution/Implementation phase?

A: While it is not clearly defined when those cycles should start, the law indicates that working code should be demonstrated at the end of each two-week sprint cycle. Agencies are advised to work with their leads and project sponsors to determine the best cadence for iterative value delivery for their specific projects and summarize these justifications in the 701 legislative requirements form.

5) Where do I find the 701 legislative requirements form?

A: See our website [here](#), and go to "Gated Funding Projects - Gate Certification Request and Section 701 Legislative Requirements form"

6) We've already negotiated a vendor contract where the work is not in 2-week sprints. Do we need to renegotiate the contract?

A: It depends - some projects may benefit from renegotiating the contract terms while others may benefit from keeping the original terms in the best interests of the project. Please work with your project sponsor and agency leads to determine the next best step and document your business reasons accordingly on the 701 legislative requirements form.

7) I'm a small agency and cannot support these legislative requirements. What should I do?

A: These legislative requirements apply to all projects with funding subject to section 701 irrespective of agency size. Please work with your agency leaders, project sponsor, and assigned Oversight Consultant/Business Relationship Manager on the next best steps and document your business reasons on the 701 legislative requirements form.

8) What does Production Deployment entail: the first delivery or the entire finished project?

A: Requirement 8(i) refers to usable functionality in production. For projects with a phased/iterative implementation approach, this would apply to first release.

9) Is there funding that covers Agile training?

A: Agencies should ensure their decision packages appropriately account for any training requirements. For projects already funded, there are a number of no/low-cost Agile training options listed [here](#).

10) Is WaTech intending to lobby to remove the prescriptive nature of this law?

A: We will continue to partner with state agencies to understand their journey to meet these requirements and share this feedback with our legislative partners to support agencies' needs.