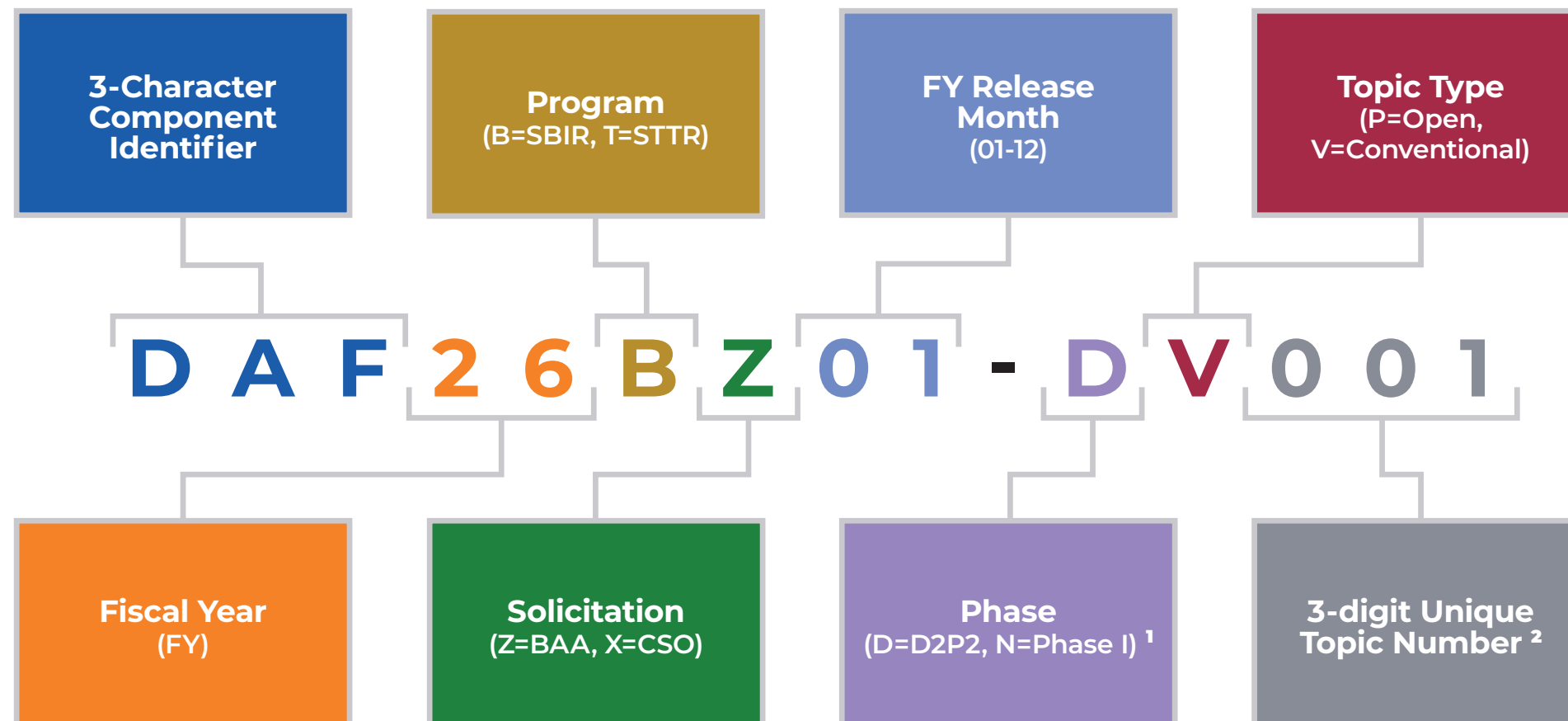# AFWERX · SPACEWERX
UNDERSTANDING SBIR/STTR SOLICITATION TOPIC NUMBERS: A QUICK GUIDE

The DoD SBIR/STTR program uses a standardized solicitation naming convention that identifies the requesting organization, fiscal year, solicitation type, solicitation number, phase type, topic type, and a unique topic number.

THE TOPIC NUMBERING SYSTEM DECODER

This example shows a Department of the Air Force (DAF) Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Direct to Phase II (D2P2) Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) conventional opportunity for release in October 2025 (month 1 of fiscal year 2026).

[1]**NOTE:** If a topic accepts both Phase I & Direct to Phase II proposals, it is marked "D".

[2]**NOTE:** Air and Space opportunities will be differentiated numerically. **AIR : 1 - 499** **SPACE : 500 and UP**

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