Trade-Ins

Equipment which has become inadequate for the needs of a department may be used as a trade-in toward the purchase of new equipment when the Property Custodian determines that such action is in the best interest of TTUHSC. The vendor quote must document the trade allowance and indicate the amount applicable to each appropriate new item from the Requisition. Trades are not allowed on Texas Smart Buy contracts and are not permitted for the lease or rental of equipment.

For a Trade-In, the department must initiate an Asset Removal Request in the Property Inventory System. The Property Inventory System can be accessed from the F & A Work Tools under the Finance portal and Property Management. The application opens to the Property Inventory page.

- From the inventory page, check the Trf/Rem box located on the line item of the asset to trade-in and then click the Remove button.
- The New Removal page will be pre-populated with the Tag Number, Description, P0 Number, Manufacturer, Amount, Room, Serial Number, Model, and Acquired Date for the asset selected for trade-in.
- Select Type from the drop down list and then select Trade In.
- Enter the requisition in the Requisition Number for Trade In field.
- In the New Items from Requisition section, Enter the Line #, Product Description, and Unit Price for the new item, as well as the Applied Trade-In amount to be received for the item used as Trade-In, and then click the Add button.
- The Pick Up Date should be the date that the old item is removed from the department. The request can be saved and forwarded for submission without the Pick Up date, but the Property Custodian/Delegate cannot Sign and Submit the request until the items are removed from the department and the Pick Up Date has been entered.
- When the appropriate fields are complete, click Save to forward to the Property Custodian/Delegate for review and submission. The Property Custodian and Delegate will receive an email notification that they have a pending removal request to submit.

Used Equipment

As a general rule, fund managers should procure new equipment, but sometimes it is necessary or advantageous to purchase used or remanufactured equipment. The most common reasons are:

- The inability to secure new equipment;
- The lack of adequate funds for new equipment; or
- Used equipment will satisfy the agency’s need at a substantial savings.
Purchases of used and demonstrator equipment are to be processed as follows:

1. Written quotations must be obtained following the appropriate procedures applicable to the total purchase amount, or a proprietary purchase justification must be provided, if applicable.

2. Provide signed statement from the suppliers guaranteeing quality and condition of the equipment offered. It is strongly recommended, when possible, that the fund manager request a warranty to make available service and parts for the equipment of at least one year.

3. The fund manager must also state:
   a. The equipment has been personally examined, and
   b. Describe the condition and value of the equipment.

The fund manager is responsible for submitting the required supporting documentation by electronically attaching it to the purchase requisition. If the Purchasing Department determines that the purchase is appropriate, and the purchase is anticipated to exceed $15,000.00, competitive bids may be solicited.