

## **Equipment/Movable Property Inventory Control**

Responsible Official: Chief Financial Officer Responsible Office: Tax and Revenue Services

- I. Equipment and sensitive items are tagged by the Central Receiving Supervisor as University property.
- II. The Central Receiving Supervisor ensures equipment is inventoried annually. Sensitive minor equipment is verified using a random sampling method. Unannounced random checks of departmental inventories may be performed at any time.
- III. Each department head locates each item in their inventory and ensures that all ETSU property is accounted for and in the identified location.
- IV. The department head locates any item not in the identified location and communicates the correct location to the Central Receiving Supervisor.
- V. The department head reports items not located during the inventory process as unaccounted for to the Central Receiving Supervisor using the Missing Equipment form.
- VI. Lost, stolen or missing equipment is reported immediately upon discovery to the Central Receiving Supervisor via a Missing Equipment form. The Central Receiving Supervisor distributes copies of the form to Public Safety, University Comptroller, and Internal Audit.
- VII. When items are traded, sold, lost, stolen, destroyed, permanently transferred, or become surplus to the needs of the University the deletions are submitted via the Equipment Inventory Change/Deletion Request form.
- VIII. Department heads notify the Central Receiving Supervisor using the Equipment Inventory Change/Deletion Request form anytime equipment is moved from one room to another within the department.
- IX. Equipment that is taken off campus is the responsibility of the department. Each department maintains written records, according to their own internal processes, for University property taken off campus.
- X. To transfer equipment between departments, the department heads complete the Equipment Inventory Change/Deletion Request form and submit it to the Central Receiving Supervisor. Transfer of equipment requires only the approval of the two department heads and does not involve a transfer of funds. Upon receipt of the approved Equipment Inventory Change/Deletion Request the Central Receiving Supervisor deletes the equipment from the inventory of the transferring department and adds it to the inventory of the receiving department.
- XI. Items owned by the federal government and other contracting agencies is inventoried and identified in the inventory system. This method of accounting is also followed for all other equipment in possession of, but not owned by, the University.
- XII. Department/unit heads notify the Central Receiving Supervisor in writing when Items on loan to the University enter or leave the campus of the University.

XIII. All requests for repairs to University equipment are submitted to the Purchasing Department on a purchasing requisition. The requisition includes; 1) the make, model, ETSU property control number, and if applicable, the serial number; 2) Symptoms and/or apparent problem, and 3) estimated repair cost. Unless the requesting department has already obtained a firm repair price from a reliable source, a purchase order is issued to a vendor for estimate of repair. If the estimate is reasonable the purchase order is amended authorizing the vendor to proceed with necessary repairs. If the repair expense is not justified the purchase order is cancelled. Repairs to equipment that must be made off campus are processed through Central Receiving where complete records of all outgoing and return shipments are maintained. The Central Receiving Supervisor is notified in advance, if the nature of the property requires special crating or shipping precautions. All shipping costs are normally the responsibility of the requesting department.