PCard Restricted Purchases  Effective 08/07/2018

Purchasing Cards (PCard) may be used to for purchasing low dollar goods and services that serve a public purpose, and is permissible by the rules and regulations set forth by ASU’s Financial Policies and Procedures (asu.edu/aad/manuals/fin/index.html) and ASU’s Purchasing Policies and Procedures (asu.edu/aad/manuals/pur/index.html).

Exceptions:

- **Alcoholic Beverages** – Alcoholic beverages may not be purchased under any circumstances.
- **Amazon.com** – Purchases must be made via SunRISE.
- **Animals, Live** – Contact Animal Care at 480-965-5784.
- **ASU Foundation Payments** – May only be used for conference registrations or payments where services were rendered by the ASU Foundation.
- **ASU Sun Card Payments**.
- **Bottled Water** – Only PCards tied to local accounts may be used to buy bottled water.
- **Bulk Paper** – 8.5” x 11” must be purchased through Materials Management.
- **Cash Advances**.
- **Chemicals** – All chemical orders must be placed through FMS. Policy EHS408.
- **Conflicts of Interest** – Purchases where an ASU Employee has a conflict of interest and the Employee participates in the purchase process. Prohibited by state law.
- **Construction Related Activities** – This includes any indoor or outdoor remodeling, repair or maintenance activity such as the installation of cabinets or shelving, painting, cutting or moving of walls.
  - **Exceptions**: CPMG and Facilities Development Management.
- **Copiers** – Exception: Canon.
- **Employee Moving Expenses** – May not be used for pre-move, house-hunting trips or for expenses associated with moves from one residence to another.
  - **Exceptions**: Payments made directly to contracted moving companies.
- **Ethanol** – Orders are required to be placed through SunRISE.
- **Fines, Penalties and Late Fees**.
- **Firearms, Ammunition and Explosives**.
- **Floor Coverings** – Carpet or flooring requests are to be submitted to Facilities Development and Management for processing. Please submit your order online or email FDM for assistance.
- **Flowers** – Unless for an official University event. Policy: FIN 401-03.
- **Food** – Only PCards tied to local accounts may be used to buy food. Policy: FIN 420-02.
- **Fuel for University Vehicles**.
- **Gasses** – Orders need to be placed with ASU Gas Services through SunRISE or call 480-965-6546.
  - **Exceptions**: helium from non-compressed gas suppliers for event related purposes; e.g., Wal-Mart, Party City or Target.
- **Gift Cards**.
- **Gifts, Contributions and Donations**.
- **Hotels and Lodging** – The PCard cannot be used to HOLD or BOOK a hotel room for an ASU affiliate in travel status. See travel restrictions and allowances below.
- **Internet** – Charges incurred at a non-university residence or office space.
- **Legal Fees** – Contact Office of General Counsel at 480-965-4550.
- **Loans and Advances**.
- **Material Prohibited by State or Federal Law** – Examples: fireworks or controlled substances.
- **Narcotics and All Drugs**.
- **Paint** – For any inside/outside construction, repair or maintenance purpose of any building.
- **Personal Medical/Health-Related Services** – Unless required by ASU, such as immunizations for certain workers.
- **Personal Purchases**.
• **Postage** – Must be purchased through Mail Services.
• **Print Work > $5,000** - Without advance buyer approval. For detailed information, see [cfo.asu.edu/purchasing-services-design](http://cfo.asu.edu/purchasing-services-design).
• **Printing of Anything with the ASU Logo or Word Mark, Excluding Merchandise** – Only if the purchase does not adhere to ASU Graphic Standards, [asu.edu/gsm](http://asu.edu/gsm), and the ASU Communication Guide, [asu.edu/commguide](http://asu.edu/commguide).
• **Printing of Department Letterhead, Business Cards, Envelopes and other ASU Stationery**
  - Except orders through The ASU Print and Imaging Lab – 480-727-1636 or [print.asu.edu](http://print.asu.edu).
• **Printing of Merchandise with the ASU Logo** – Without approval from Trademark Management.
  - The PCard may be used to buy promotional items/merchandise with the ASU logo from approved trademark licensees only. It is the responsibility of the department to verify the vendor is an approved licensee prior to making a purchase. Vendor and art approval status can be verified by contacting Trademark Management at 480-727-7848.
• **Purchases from ASU Employees** – Prohibited by State law.
• **Radioactive Materials.**
• **Rare and Precious Metals/Minerals.**
• **Security** – Cameras, guards, software, consulting and etc.
• **Select Agents** – [selectagents.gov/SelectAgentsandToxinsList.html](http://selectagents.gov/SelectAgentsandToxinsList.html)
• **Services from an Individual or Non-Incorporated Company** – due to tax reporting requirements.
• **Splitting Transactions to Circumvent the PCard Limits** – Email [PCard@asu.edu](mailto:PCard@asu.edu) to request a temporary increase.
• **Suppliers** – please refer to the Restricted Suppliers** table below.
• **Toxins** – [selectagents.gov/SelectAgentsandToxinsList.html](http://selectagents.gov/SelectAgentsandToxinsList.html)
• **Window Coverings** all window covering purchases and/or installations must be approved by the Furnishing Services Group at 480-965-2430.

### Travel Restrictions/Allowances

**ASU Affiliates** – students, faculty and staff:
- **Restricted**: Food, fuel, ground transportation and lodging. The expenses can be claimed through a Travel Claim Voucher.
- **Allowable**: Airfare and conference registration.

**Non-ASU Affiliates** – consultants, interviewees, visitors and etc.:
- **Allowable**: Airfare, business meals, ground transportation and lodging – local account.

### Restricted Suppliers**

**COMSOL** – Requests must be sent to [pcard@asu.edu](mailto:pcard@asu.edu) for approval.

**Kratos** – Requests must be sent to [pcard@asu.edu](mailto:pcard@asu.edu) for approval.

**The UPS Store Purchases** – The UPS Store is different from UPS shipping. UPS shipping — not purchased from the UPS Store — is allowable.

**United States Postal Service** – Requests must be sent to [PCard@asu.edu](mailto:PCard@asu.edu) for approval.

- **Note**: Sponsored Accounts have additional restrictions on Office Supplies and Postage, to include overnight services such as Federal Express or Airborne.
- **If the Grant specifies office supplies and/or postage as acceptable purchases the Sponsored Accountant needs to send an email to [pcard@asu.edu](mailto:pcard@asu.edu) to have this restriction lifted on the Purchasing Card.**
  - For every rule there is an exception: If you have an exception please email justification to [pcard@asu.edu](mailto:pcard@asu.edu)