

Procurement Unit Leader Position Checklist

The following checklist should be considered as the minimum requirements for this position. Note that some of the tasks are one-time actions; others are ongoing or repetitive for the duration of the incident.



Task

1. Obtain briefing from Finance/Administration Section Chief:

- Determine charge code, and delegation of authority to commit agency funds. If the agency cannot delegate procurement authority to the Procurement Unit Leader, they will need to assign one of their procurement people to the incident.
- Determine whether a buying team has been assigned to purchase all equipment, supplies, etc. for the incident. The Procurement Unit Leader will coordinate closely with this group.
- Determine status of bid process.
- Determine current vendor list.
- Determine current blanket Purchase Order (PO) list.
- Determine time-lines established for reporting cost information.

2. Contact Supply Unit on incident needs and any special procedures or requirements.

3. Prepare and sign offers for rental, as necessary.

4. Develop Incident Procurement Plan. This plan should address/include:

- Spending caps.
- Necessary Forms.
- Identify who has purchasing authority.
- Process for obtaining approval to exceed caps.
- Coordination process with Supply Unit.
- Supply of emergency purchase orders.

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- 5. Review equipment rental agreement and use statements for terms and conditions of use within 24 hours after equipment arrival at incident. Provide hourly rates and associated costs to Cost Unit.
- 6. Prepare and sign contracts, land-use agreements, and cost-share agreements, as necessary.
- 7. Draft Memorandums of Understanding as needed (obtain legal review and Incident Commander's signature prior to implementation).
- 8. Establish contact with supply vendors, as needed.
- 9. Determine whether additional vendor-service agreements will be necessary.
- 10. Interpret contracts/agreements, and resolve claims or disputes within delegated authority.
- 11. Provide cost data from rental agreements, contracts, etc. to Cost Unit Leader according to reporting time frames established for operational period.
- 12. Verify all invoices.
- 13. It is imperative that all contractors are accounted for and their time documented:
 - Coordinate with all Sections.
 - It may be helpful to hire one person (or more) to simply travel the incident and document everything they see being used.
 - Ensure that all equipment rental documents and inspections are complete (coordinate inspection information with Ground Support Unit and/or Operations) before signing.
- 14. Complete final processing and send documents for payment.
- 15. Maintain final incident receiving documents:
 - Obtain copies of all vendor invoices.
 - Verify that all equipment time records are complete.
 - Maintain comprehensive audit trail for all procurement documents.
 - Check completeness of all data entries on vendor invoices.
 - Compare invoices against procurement documents.
 - Assure that only authorized personnel initiate orders.

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16. Provide briefing to relief on current activities and unusual events.

17. Document all activity on Unit Log (ICS Form 214).