# Allocator Guide

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What are my responsibilities as the Department Allocator?

As the department allocator you are verifying that department purchases and any disbursement of funds are made in accordance with the State of Texas laws, applicable statutes and regulations, the State Comptroller’s guidelines (Expendit), Texas A&M System regulations and Texas A&M Rules and Standard Administrative Procedures. Texas A&M University Disbursement Guidelines is derived from the sources above.

Training

Required Allocator training

Department Allocators are required to complete the Texas A&M University Disbursement of Funds and Travel Training

- Guidelines for the Disbursement of Funds
  - This is an online course that can be found in TrainTraq

Recommended Allocator Training

- AggieBuy Shopping and Requisition Creation
- AggieBuy Allocator Training
- AggieBuy Receiving Training
  - These are classroom trainings that can be found in TrainTraq
Shopping

A shopper is only required to enter the order type, when they submit the cart for approval it will route to the department allocator to review. The allocator will review and add the additional required information. If you are creating the order and you are also the allocator then you need to add all of the required information during the original creation of the document since it will not route to the allocator step for review.

Shopping when you are the department allocator

You are bypassing the department allocator step so you need to enter all of the necessary information from this screen

a. Cart Name – this is the doc description in FAMIS
b. Order Category (required)
   i. Regular – Send the PO to the vendor to place the order
   ii. Confirming – goods have already been ordered and you are processing the invoice
C. Fund Type (required)
   i. Federal
   ii. Local
   iii. State
2. Verify that the appropriate vendor has been used
   a. Is there a vendor that offers contracted prices?
   b. Is there a HUB vendor that could be used?
   c. Is there a vendor that provides better pricing?
3. Select Proceed to Checkout
4. Verify that the correct Ship To address has been selected
5. Scroll down to the Accounting Codes Section to enter accounts (required)
6. Attach any attachments that need to be added
7. Once you have completed reviewing the document then you select Submit Order
All done! The required information has been completed and this request is ready to be submitted.

Once you have reviewed the details, you may continue by clicking the button at the top of the page.
Approving Requisitions

How do I locate documents that I need to approve?
There are multiple ways to get to the documents that are waiting for your review and approval

1. Click on the Action Items Icon
   a. My Assigned Approvals
      i. These are invoices and requisitions that you have assigned but have not approved
   b. Unassigned Approval
      i. These are invoices and requisitions that need to be reviewed and approved
   c. You will only see documents where you are an approved on the current workflow step

2. From the icons on the side
Review Requisition Submitted by Dept. Shoppers
This is the view of the document when a department shopper creates it and you are reviewing and approving
1. Assign the requisition to yourself
2. You will verify that all of the required information has been entered, revise as needed
   a. Order Category
   b. Fund Type
   c. Ship To Address
   d. Accounting Codes
   e. Vendor
   f. Quantity
   g. Unit Price
3. Approve/Complete Step
Requisition Available Actions

1. **Approve/Complete & Show Next**
   a. This will approve the current requisition and automatically open the next requisition to be reviewed

2. **Approve/Complete Step**
   a. This will approve the requisition but you will stay on the current document

3. **Return to Shared Folder**
   a. You have assigned a document but will not be processing it. Returning it to the shared folder allows another approver to assign and process document

4. **Return to Requisitioner**
   a. Returns the document to the creator for revisions

5. **Forward to**
   a. You forward the document to another user to review
   b. ***If the other user has turned off notifications then they will not know this has been sent to them so you need to let the other user know that they need to process the document

6. **Copy to New Cart**
   a. Create a new requisition exactly has the document you are reviewing

7. **Add Comment**
   a. Add a note or send a comment to another user

8. **Add Notes to History**
   a. Adds a note to the history tab of the document
   b. This is basically the same thing as adding a comment only you do not have the ability to send the note to a user

9. **Reject Requisition**
   a. Rejecting the document is cancelling it. The creator is not able to resubmit
Field descriptions

1. Cart Name
   a. This will default with today’s date, your UIN and the number of carts you have created today
      i. You are not required to change this field but this is the Doc Description that is on the account in FAMIS so it may be a good idea to change this

2. Share Cart
   a. When you create a draft cart no one else is able to revise or submit that cart. This means that if you are out and the order needs to be completed then someone else will need to create a new cart
      i. You can create a shared cart and add user that will have access. Those users will be able to revise and submit your existing cart

3. Prepared By
   a. This will default to you, the creator and cannot be changed

4. Prepared For
   a. You can indicate who you are creating the cart for if needed
      i. This will change the department allocator that the requisition will be submitted to
      ii. ** Any person listed here will not be able to be an approver on the document in any approval step

5. Cart Description/Purpose

6. Order Category
   a. 1-Regular Order
      i. You have NOT contacted the vendor to order these goods
      ii. When the PO is create it will be submitted to the vendor to place the order
      iii. You do NOT have an invoice
   b. 2-Confirming Order
      i. You have already ordered the goods
      ii. You have already received the goods
      iii. You have the invoice in hand

7. Fund Type
   a. Federal
   b. Local
   c. State

8. Report Reference A
   a. This a free text field
   b. This information is not in FAMIS
   c. This is searchable in AggieBuy
   d. This is searchable in the Data Warehouse

9. Report Reference B
   a. This a free text field
   b. This information is not in FAMIS
   c. This is searchable in AggieBuy
   d. This is searchable in the Data Warehouse

10. Bypass Dept Allocator
    a. If you are an allocator this is hardcoded in your profile
b. If you DO need the requisition to route to an allocator for review and approval other than yourself you can change this to no

11. Pre-Pay & Add
   a. This allows shipping to be paid when there is not a line item added for shipping
   b. If you are using state funds you MUST include a line item for shipping.
      i. If you do not add a line item you will be contacted to provide state documentation or a local account for shipping

12. Route to Procurement Services
   a. This will force the requisition to route to Procurement Services for review and approval when it is below the $10k limit

13. Emergency
   a. If you hover over this you will find a link to the form that should be completed and attached to a non-compliant purchase

14. Sole Source
   a. If you hover over this you will find a link to the form that should be completed and attached to let Procurement know why this cannot be sent out for bids

15. Contract Number
   a. If you have a contract number that was issued outside of AggieBuy add it here.
   b. If you are purchasing the items from the punch out, catalog or contract then the items should added from that contract

16. Do Not Encumber
   a. You select this if the cart you are creating is to create a contract
   b. NO purchase order will be created for documents with this flag
   c. NO payment will be issued

17. Start Date / End Date
   a. You can enter services dates in these fields

18. Rush the Pymt Process
   a. This is used when the payment needs to be processed before the standard vendor terms
   b. Typical rush reasons
      i. Past due invoice
      ii. Invoice due date within 10 days
      iii. Agreement with vendor stating terms other than standard terms
   c. If the rush reason is other than these then you need to add notes explaining why the payment needs to be rushed

19. Special Payment Method
   a. You MUST select the special payment method needed
   b. Notes alone will not ensure that the special payment method will be added

20. Trade-In
   a. This is let Property know that the amount of the asset needs to be adjusted

21. Create Asset Manually
   a. AggieBuy will automatically create an asset based on the code and unit price of the items purchased
   b. If the code/unit price will not automatically create the asset this flag will create 1 asset for EVERY line item on the PO
   c. You may want to add this at the line item level instead of at the header level

22. Add to Asset Number
a. This will open the asset up to be modified when the purchase needs to be added to an existing asset number

23. IFR (Items for Resale)
   a. This is only for your department shoppers to notify you that the items are for resale and should be coded for resale
How to Locate AggieBuy Documents in FAMIS

Enter the AggieBuy document number to screen 295 in FAMIS in the SciQuest Document Id field

Requisition

Purchase Order

Non PO based invoices

Enter the last 7 digits of the AggieBuy invoice number (not the same as the supplier invoice number) on screen 167 in FAMIS
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<th>Ref</th>
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<th>Description</th>
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How to Locate FAMIS Documents in AggieBuy

Requisition or Purchase Order
Enter the FAMIS document on screen 295 in the FAMIS doc field

Non PO based invoice
Find the supplier invoice number from the voucher

F231I Make selection to proceed to screen 169
168 Voucher Total Inquiry

Vendor: 14603563606 CITIBANK TAMU DC
Alt Vndr:  
Encl:  
Due Dt: 01/25/2017
Desc: TAMU (02) CITIBANK MONTHL
Inv Dt: 01/03/2017
Cust AR Nbr:  
Divry Dt: 01/03/2017
GSC Ord:  
Dept Ref: 5616416
Cont Wk Force: N Confidential:  
ACH: Y Ovrd:
Trans Cd: 140
FAMIS Trace: 8339457
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ACH Dt: 01/25/2017
Warrant Dt:  
Vchr Total: 23329.18
Check Recon:  
USAS Doc Type: PCC
Bank Trace: 091000013663117
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