S-3 PROCUREMENT FOR OVERSEAS

This change is in effect upon receipt.

Background: In November 2014, Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) rescinded all afloat contracting authority aboard navy ships. Please read the attached letter. What this means, the procurement information contained in Chapter 4 of the NAVSUP P-487, paragraph 4212 has been superseded. Ships disbursing officers are no longer authorized to issue checks for payment of ships store items, and Sales Officers cannot enter into any new contractual agreement with a vendor. If you have questions, please direct them to your Type Commander.

For procurement of ships store (1Q) merchandise overseas, the ships will do the following:

- Operating in the 5th Fleet AOR: Ships requiring merchandise will submit their orders to the Prime Vendor and CTF 53, using the “Stores” system on board.
- Operating in the 6th Fleet AOR: Ships requiring merchandise will submit their requirements to the CTF 63 POC, who will pass the request to the Navy Exchange (NEX) Fleet Liaison in Naples, IT. The NEX Fleet Liaison will place S-3 orders for ships, using the Government Purchase Card. Orders over the GPC threshold will be submitted to the Fleet Logistics Center (FLC) Acquisitions Department for processing.
- Operating in the 7th Fleet AOR: Japan and Guam NEX Distribution Centers (DCs) are established as OCONUS ships store vendors. Ships can place orders directly with those two DCs using the ROM EDI process. For items not listed on the Japan or Guam listings, ships will send their orders to the Fleet Logistics Center Yokosuka Customer Service Rep POC, who will process the orders using the Government Purchase Card. Orders over the GPC threshold will be submitted to Fleet Logistics Center (FLC) Yokosuka Acquisitions Department for processing.
- OCONUS NEX locations: Limited quantities of authorized ship’s store stock may be procured from overseas Navy Exchanges when merchandise is available and can be sold without impairing the exchange’s inventory position. Ships requiring merchandise from NEXs will submit their request to the nearest Fleet Logistic Centers (FLC) for processing.

Emergency Procurement: If there is an emergent requirement for S-3 merchandise, the Supply Officer may authorize the use of a ship’s government credit card to purchase items and then transfer the merchandise to the S-3 division by following the transfer procedures outlined in the NAVSUP P-487.

Ships Store Vendors: Ships may continue to order from authorized ships store vendors using the ROM EDI system.

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