
To the maximum extent feasible, agencies shall develop procedures which will permit planned consolidated requisitioning of EDP tape and instrumentation tape (wide and intermediate band) on an agencywide basis. When agencywide consolidation is not feasible, consideration shall be given to the consolidation of individual requisitions for small quantities at any agency level. This will enable the Government to benefit from lower prices generally obtainable through large volume procurements.

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§ 101–26.509 Tabulating machine cards.

Procurement by Federal agencies of tabulating machine cards shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this § 101–26.509.

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Federal Supply Schedule, FSC group 75, part VIII, includes contracts for tabulating cards applicable to electrical and mechanical contact tabulating machines, including aperture cards and copy cards. Federal agencies shall procure these cards in accordance with the provisions of the current schedule. Orders not exceeding the maximum order limitation of the Federal Supply Schedule and prepared directly by activities located outside the geographical delivery areas specified in the schedule shall be submitted in FEDSTRIP format to the GSA regional office supporting the geographic area in which the requisitioner is located.

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(a) Requisitions for tabulating machine cards covered by Federal Supply Schedule contracts which exceed the maximum order limitation of the schedule shall be forwarded in FEDSTRIP format to the GSA regional office supporting the geographic area in which the requisitioner is located.

(b) Requisitions for tabulating machine cards not covered by Federal Supply Schedule contracts shall be submitted to GSA for purchase action if the dollar value of the cards exceeds or is estimated to exceed $2,500. However, regardless of the amount involved (including requisitions estimated to be $2,500 or less), purchase action shall not be taken by GSA or an agency unless a waiver of the requirement for the use of tabulating cards available from Federal Supply Schedule contracts has been furnished in accordance with §101–26.100–2. Requests for waivers shall be submitted to the Commissioner, Federal Supply Service (F), General Services Administration, Washington, DC 20406. The requests shall fully describe the items required and state the reasons the tabulating machine cards covered by the Federal Supply Schedule contracts will not adequately serve the end-use purpose. GSA will notify the requesting agency in writing of the action taken on the waiver request. To reduce leadtime, requisitions may be submitted in FEDSTRIP format with the requests for waivers. A requisition for items for which a waiver has first been obtained shall be submitted with a copy of the waiver to the GSA regional office supporting the geographic area in which the requisitioner is located. GSA will either arrange for procurement of the items or authorize the requesting activity to procure them.

(c) Purchase requests with established delivery dates should allow sufficient leadtime (see §101–26.102–3) to permit orderly procurement by GSA, including acceptance testing and delivery to destination.

(d) In those instances where an agency anticipates a need for scheduled deliveries, minimum or maximum order