# State of Arkansas Office of State Procurement P-Card Overview



# **Class Objectives**

What are P-Cards
Benefits of P-Cards
Cardholder Responsibilities
Compliance/Review
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Declining Charges
What is a MCC
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Activating Your P-Card

#### Online Demonstration

Register your P-Card How to re-allocate transactions How to run reports and monthly statements





# What are P-Cards

- Visa cards provided by US Bank. These cards allow delegated employees to purchase goods, services for state entities, colleges and universities.
- Cards are issued in the employee's name and the employee is responsible for the security of the card(s) and the transactions on the card.
- All state agency employees MUST attend P-Card training before receiving a P-Card.

> The Purchasing Cards are for Official State Business Only.

# Benefits of using a P-Card

### **Time Savings**

- Receive goods faster
- Online reporting capability
- State agencies issue one payment to US Bank at the end of the monthly billing cycle.

### **Increased Vendor Selection**

- NO purchase order required
- Vendors get their money within 24-48 hours

### **Purchasing Control**

- Per month spending limit
- Per transaction spending limit
- Access to account via the internet
- Specific categories of MCC (Merchant Category Code) are blocked





# **Cardholder Responsibilities**

- > Activate card
- Register your card on <u>https://access.usbank.com</u>
- Re-allocate charges to proper cost centers, general ledger codes and add comments on transactions weekly.
- Obtain all original receipts and submit them in accordance with the Purchasing Card Guidelines.
- Monitor your account on a regular basis for any fraudulent charges.
- Lost or stolen card the cardholder <u>MUST</u> contact US Bank immediately at 1-800-344-5696 and contact your agency liaison.

# Cardholder Responsibilities (cont.)

- Arkansas State Procurement Laws and Office of Accounting Laws that apply to the requisition to purchase order process also apply to the use of the P-Card. If there are specific rules and regulations for your state entity, you MUST also follow those.
- Any violation of Arkansas P-Card Program policies is considered an "occurrence" which may result in disciplinary action (i.e. written warning, suspend, revoke, terminate P-Card privileges, criminal charges filed).

The P-Card is a privilege granted to you by the State of Arkansas, and is <u>EXPECTED</u> that you will use it responsibly.





# **Compliance Review**

# The purpose of a compliance review is to examine the P-Card accounts.

### Some of the attributes that are evaluated:

- Adequacy and quality of receipts
- Current status of the cardholder
- Supporting documentation for transactions
- Transaction review and approval process



# Non-Allowed Charges on the P-Card

### **NO PERSONAL PURCHASES**

- Employee travel related charges
- Alcoholic beverages
- Vehicle rentals
- Printing Amendment 54
- > ATM cash advances
- Gift cards
- Rebates, coupons, rewards or gift points can not be received and used for <u>personal gain</u>
- Automated or recurring monthly charges are not allowed (i.e. phone, internet bills, etc)
- SPLIT PURCHASES (a single purchase is broken up into multiple transactions with the express purpose of circumventing state bid requirements)
- Any purchase without your agency approval

# Circumstances for a P-Card to Decline

- Exceeded the designated monthly limit default monthly limit is set at \$2,000 (unless the agency has requested in writing a lower or higher limit)
- Exceeded one-time transaction limit
- Blocked MCC attempt to use the card for a blocked merchant category code
- Not Activated cardholder did not call the 1-800-344-5696 number and activate the card.



Credit Card Resources:

http://www.dfa.arkansas.gov/offices/procurement/Pages/cre ditCards.aspx

State Contracts:

http://www.dfa.arkansas.gov/offices/procurement/contracts/ Pages/default.aspx

# What is a Merchant (MCC) Code?

- A Merchant Category Code (MCC) is: a four-digit number used by the bankcard industry to classify suppliers into market segments.
- There are approximately 600 MCCs that denote various types of businesses (e.g., 5111 Office Supplies, 7299 Dog Grooming Services, 5722 Household Appliance Stores).
- The MCC is assigned by the acquiring financial institution when a supplier first begins accepting Visa payment cards.



# Sales and Use Tax

- Arkansas State Government and political subdivisions are not tax exempt.
- Taxes must be collected on internet and telephone purchases.
- Use Tax must be paid to the state if sales tax is not charged at the time of the purchase.

If additional information is needed call Taxpayer Services Unit at (501) 682-7104.

# How to Activate Your P-Card

- 1. Dial 1-800-344-5696
- 2. Listen to each prompt and respond
  - a. Enter your 16-digit account number
  - b. Enter your five digit zip code (business address)
  - c. To activate your account, PRESS 1
  - d. Key in the last four digits of your social security number
  - e. Enter your business telephone number, beginning with the area code
- 3. Your account has been successfully activated.



#### Note:

If you have any problems activating your account you will be transferred to a customer service representative for personal assistance.

# **US Bank Web Address**

*Type <u>https://access.usbank.com</u> directly into the address bar area and click enter* 





# How to Register Your P-Card Online

#### U.S. Bank Access® Online





# **Registering Your P-Card Online**



# Licensing Agreement



Please read and click on the <u>I Accept</u> icon button at the bottom of the page to accept the terms of the licensing agreement to continue the Online Registration process.

- 9. Type a user ID between 7 12 alphanumeric characters in the *User ID* field.
- 10. Type a password in the Password field. Tip! Your password must be 8 20 alpha/numeric characters and must contain at least one alpha and one numeric character. You cannot reuse a password for 12 months.
- 11. Confirm your new password by typing it a second time in the Re-enter New Password field.
- 12. Select a question from the Authentication Question 1 drop-down list.
- 13. Type your answer in the Authentication Response 1 field.
- 14. Repeat Steps 12 13 to specify your remaining authentication questions and answers.
- 15. Complete the contact information fields:
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  - b. Specify address information in the Address
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  - c. Type contact information in the Phone Number, Fax Number, and Email Address fields, as needed.
- **16. Click the Continue button.**



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## **P-Card Overview**

# How Do I Obtain a Purchasing Card?



## Answer: Contact Your Agency Liaison