
Purchasing and Procurement

212.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the purchasing and procurement of goods and services.

212.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the district to conduct purchasing and procurement in an efficient and cost-effective manner consistent with federal, state, and local laws, rules, and requirements in order to protect the integrity of the district and maintain public trust.

212.3 PURCHASING COORDINATOR

The Fire Chief should designate a member to coordinate district purchases. The member's responsibilities should include:

- (a) Remaining familiar with and updating agency practices in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local purchasing and procurement laws, rules, and requirements.
- (b) Obtaining authorization from the Fire Chief or the authorized designee for each purchase.
- (c) Reviewing proposed purchases to determine the most appropriate method of procurement.
- (d) If the procurement method selected is one other than competitive bidding, documenting why another method was selected.
- (e) Assisting other members involved with the purchasing and procurement of goods or services in following purchasing requirements and rules applicable to the method of procurement.
- (f) Forwarding all contracts and purchase orders to the Fire Chief or the authorized designee for review, approval, and execution.

212.4 REVIEWS

The Fire Chief should ensure that a review of purchasing and procurement activities is conducted annually to determine compliance with any applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and requirements.