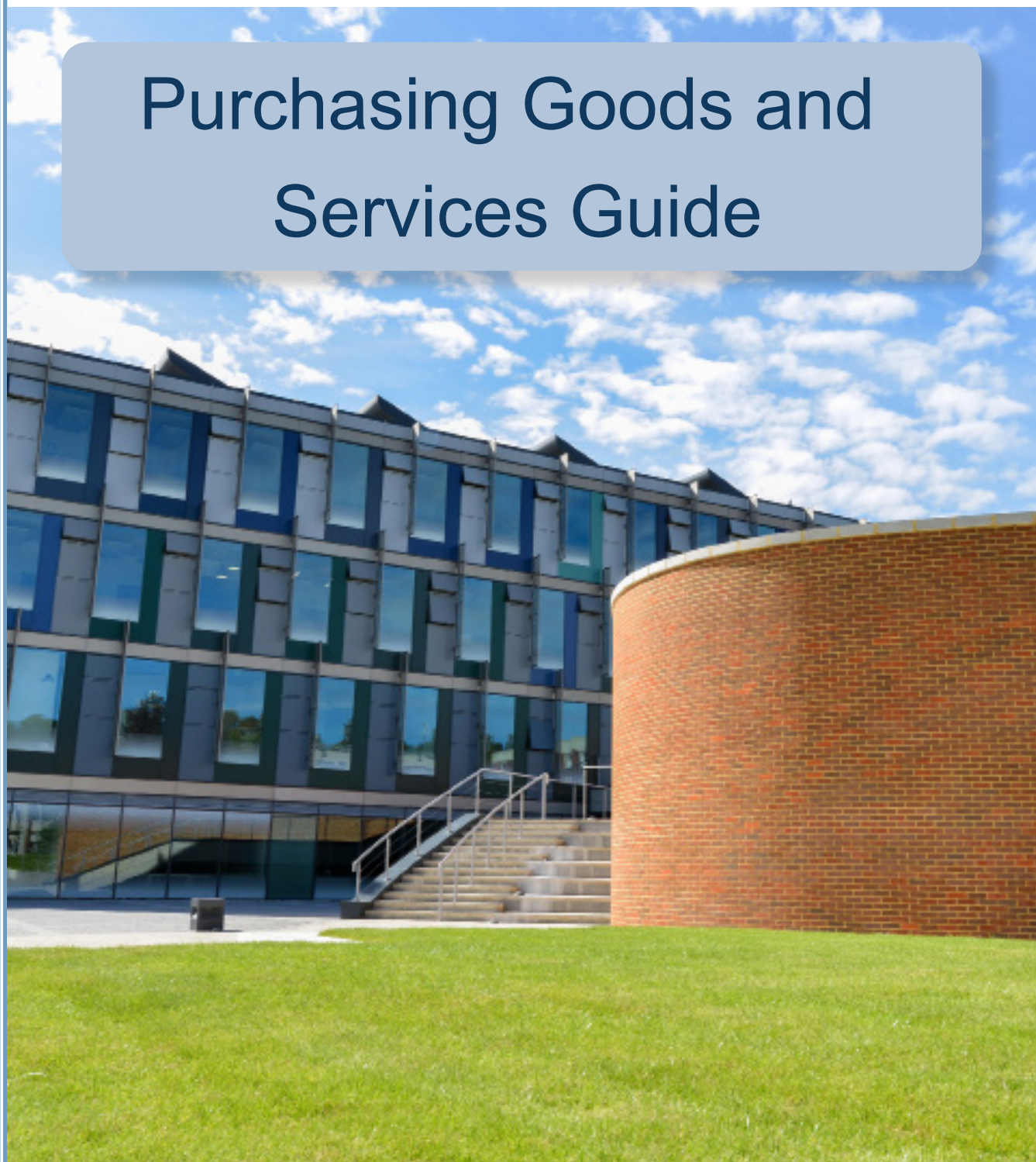




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Purchasing Goods and Services Guide



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What are the preferred ways to purchase?

The preferred ways to purchase goods and services are shown below in the order that they should be considered.

1 University purchase orders

Purchase orders raised using the finance system are the principle mechanism for the purchase of goods and services in the University.

In order to support budgetary control and the delivery of value for money, the University's Financial Regulations require all purchasing to be carried out using a purchase order. The only exceptions to this are defined by the Director of Finance in order to meet business need and/or to support the achievement of value for money and are outlined in the next section of this guide.

Unless purchasing through an approved alternative route, any verbal or written request for the supply of goods and services may constitute a contract with the supplier and must be supported by a University purchase order.

2 University purchasing cards

Purchasing cards should be used in preference to out of pocket expenditure where access to both alternatives exists.

Whilst they are intended to provide a quick and easy access to purchasing, it is important that staff and budget holders take a planned approach to purchasing and do not use purchasing cards as a routine 'emergency' alternative to purchase ordering.

Heads of School and Directors of Professional Service are responsible for the purchasing arrangements in their School or Division and the appropriate distribution and use of purchasing cards. The [Purchasing Card Guide](#) contains further information on this.

3 Out of pocket expenditure

Out of pocket expenditure (which is where the individual uses their own funds for purchases and then seeks reimbursement) should only be carried out in the following circumstances:

- When the University's finance system cannot be accessed to generate a purchase order, i.e. when travelling on University business.
- When a purchasing card transaction cannot be performed, because the buyer does not have a card and is unable to find another cardholder to buy the item.

- When expenditure must be paid in cash, i.e. payments to research volunteers.
- The claim is for an allowance such as mileage.

The [Travel and Working Away From Base, Hospitality and Out of Pocket Expenses Guide](#) covers how to submit out of pocket expenses and track the progress of claims.

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Advances

University funds may be advanced to staff, students and visiting researchers who do not have access to the finance system or a purchasing card and are unable to make purchases or cash withdrawals using a personal credit card without incurring any additional personal costs.

In any situation an advance will always be limited to the anticipated expenditure and should not be regarded as a cash 'float'.

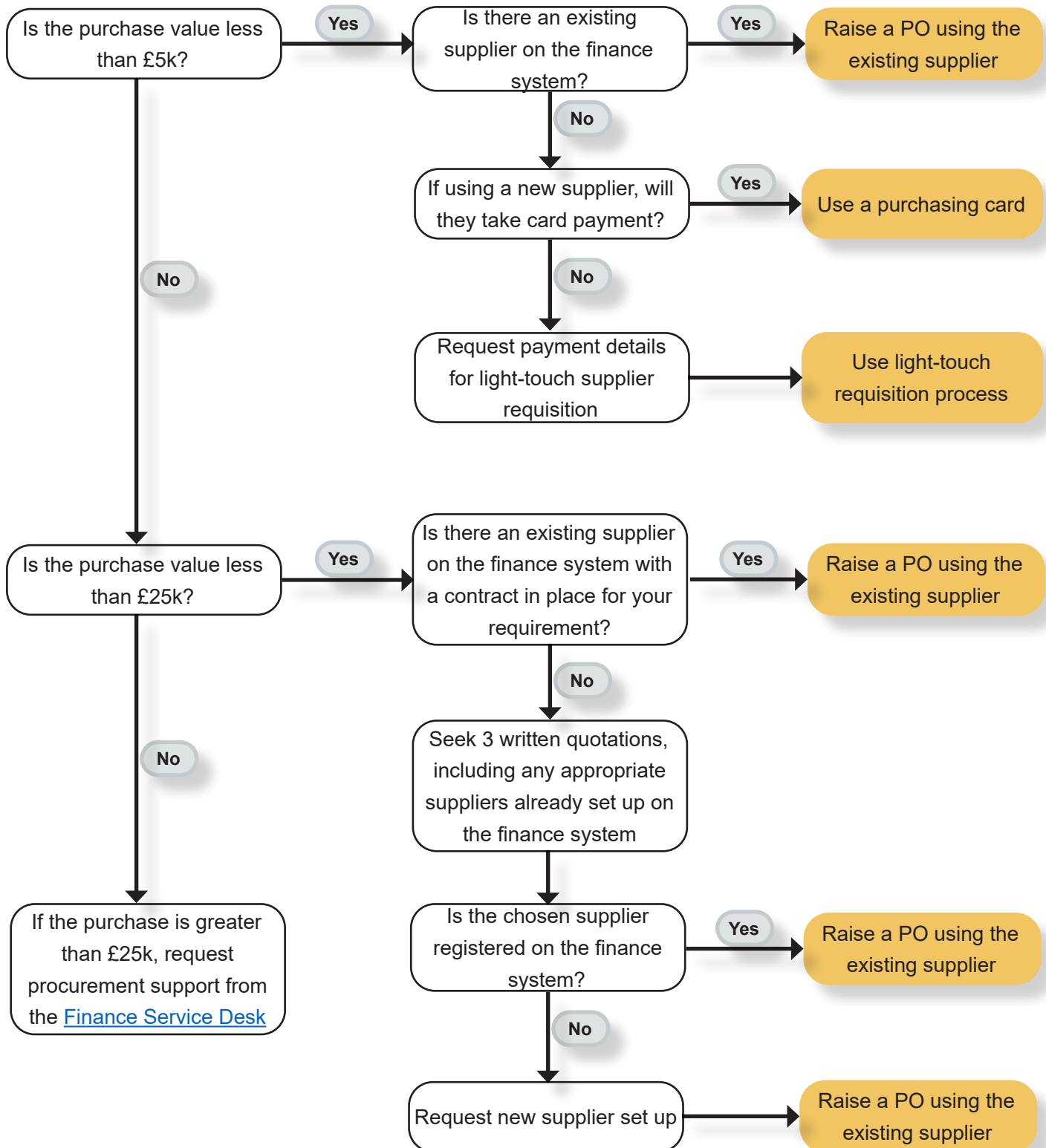
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None of these?

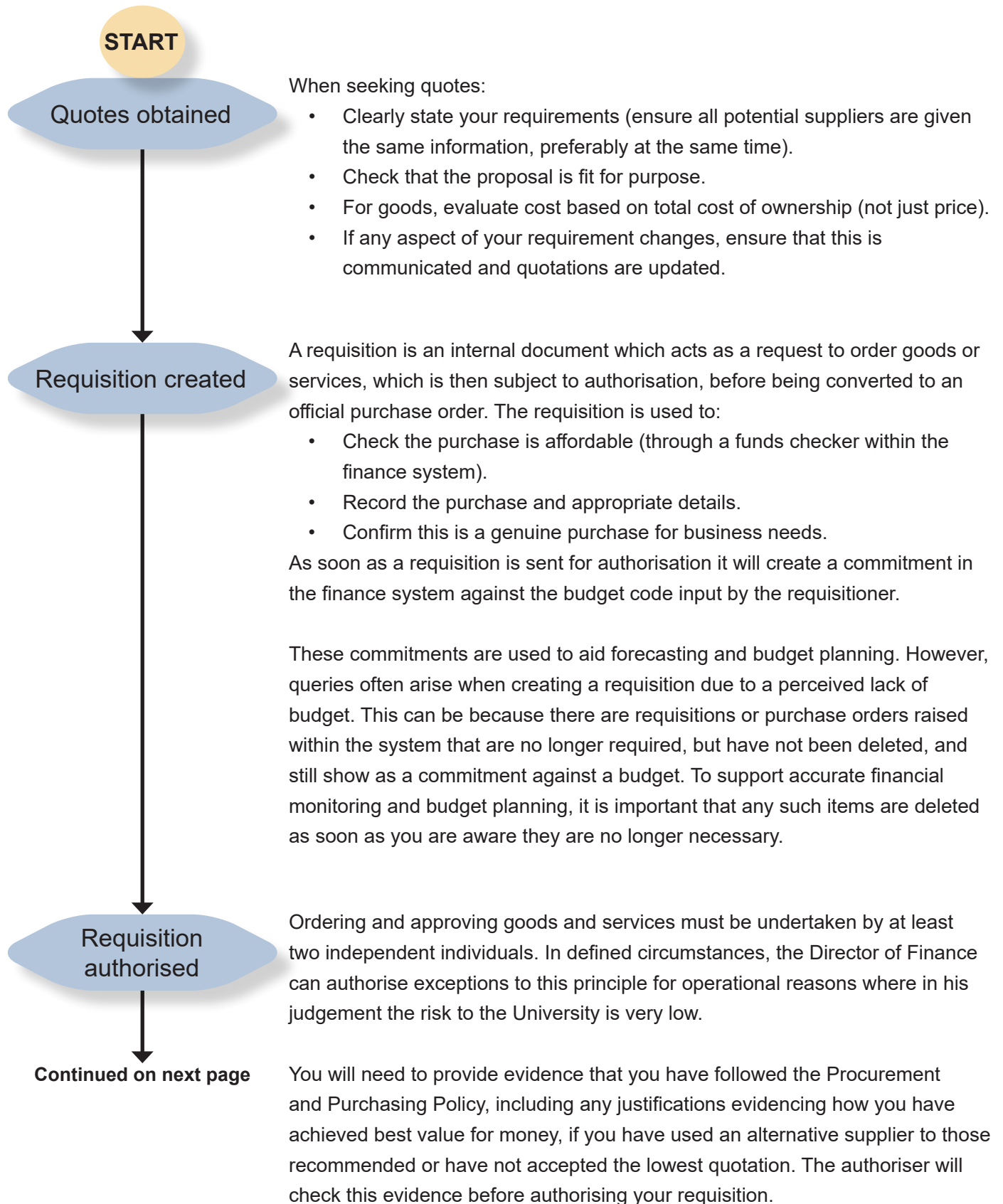
If it appears that none of the methods above can be used for your requirement, please contact the [Finance Service Desk](#).

What purchase values determine the process I need to follow?

The Decision Tree below should be used to identify the correct supplier selection process for your needs to a maximum value of £25,000. For purchases that are likely to exceed this amount over their lifetime (or over a 4-year period if this is not easily defined), please contact Procurement.



It is expected that the majority of purchases are planned and ordered in advance. The usual way for you to buy is to raise a purchase order (PO) through the finance system. The process steps for this are outlined below in more detail:



PO created

The official University purchase order sets out the University's standard terms and conditions of purchasing goods and services, guaranteeing the most advantageous value for money terms for the University. It must be recorded and approved on the University's finance system to ensure:

- Up front budget holder authorisation before a commitment is made.
- A clear segregation of duties and audit trail.
- Immediate and accurate recording of a commitment and the type of expenditure.
- A confirmation to the supplier of the University's commitment to purchase.

Registered address:
University of Sussex
Falmer
Brighton
BN1 9QJ

Supplier details:
Supplier Name: [Blank]
Supplier Address: [Blank]
Supplier Email: [Blank]
Supplier Phone: [Blank]
Supplier Fax: [Blank]

Order details:
Order Number: 010-02000001
Order Date: 04/04/2017
Order Status: Open
Order Type: Standard
Order Reference: [Blank]

Delivery to:
Delivery Address: [Blank]
Delivery Date: [Blank]
Delivery Time: [Blank]

Product	Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Order Amount
1000	TEXT PRODUCT	1	500.00	500.00

Notes:
This is a purchase order and not a contract. It is subject to the University's standard terms and conditions of purchase. The supplier must accept these terms and conditions before the order can be processed. The supplier must also provide a valid invoice for the goods or services ordered. The University will not be responsible for any loss or damage to the goods or services ordered. The University will not be responsible for any delay in the delivery of the goods or services ordered. The University will not be responsible for any loss or damage to the goods or services ordered. The University will not be responsible for any delay in the delivery of the goods or services ordered.

An official University purchase order must be raised and authorised before a contract is signed. Authority to sign a contract on behalf of the University is set out in the scheme of delegated financial authorities maintained by the Director of Finance.

PO sent to supplier

A contract can be created without a signed written document. The purchase order creates a contract on the University's terms and conditions in the absence of any other agreement.

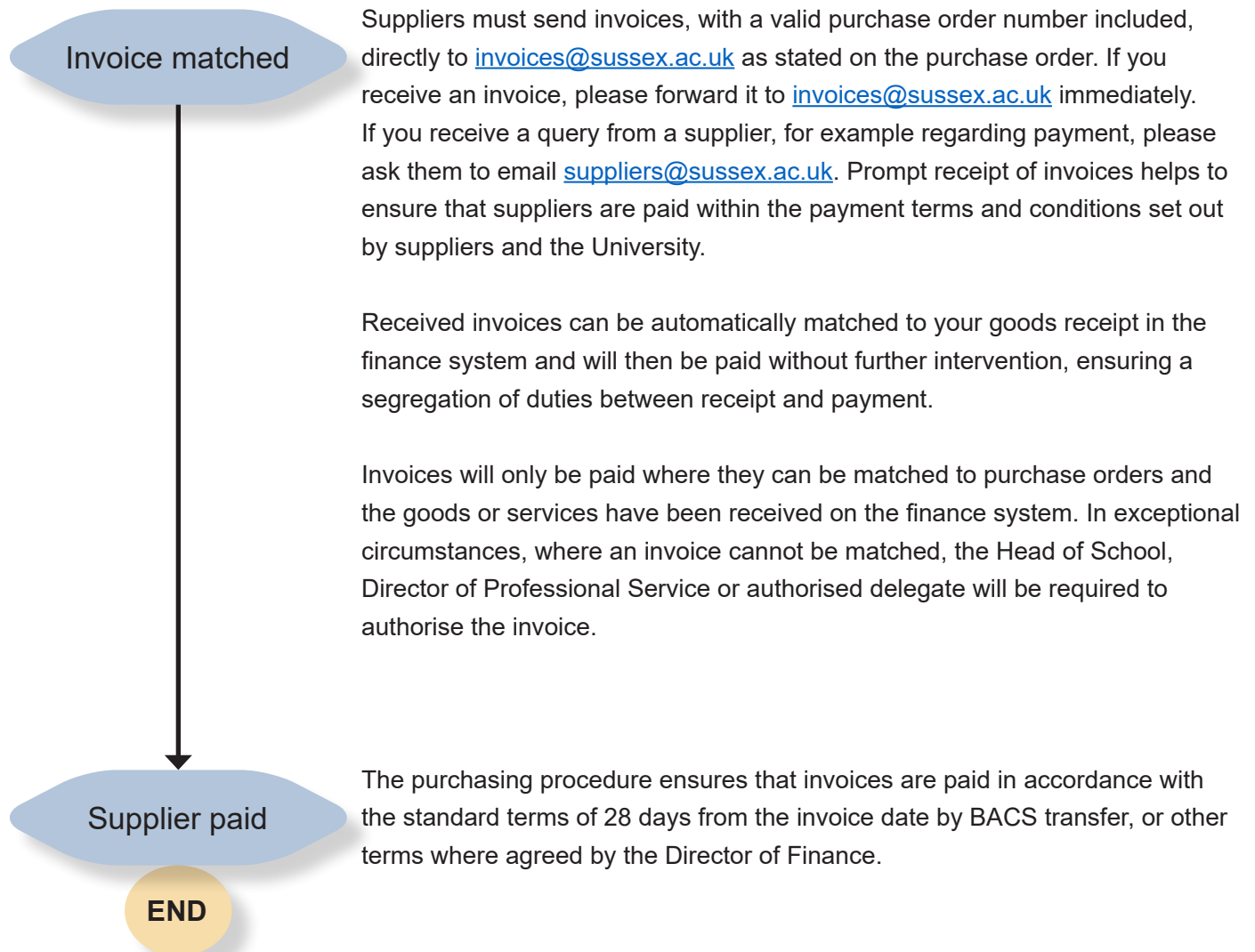
The purchase order is sent to the supplier who then fulfils the order.

Goods or services received

The Financial Regulations state that all goods should be received and checked against the supplier's delivery note and purchase order to ensure they match the description of what was ordered and are of the appropriate quality. If quality or quantity is unsatisfactory, the supplier should be immediately notified and action taken.

When you receive goods, or services have been delivered, you must promptly confirm this within the finance system. This acts as the authority to pay the supplier and will enable the invoice, when received, to be matched to the purchase order and paid without further intervention.

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An overview of requisitioning

Before beginning this process, you should consult your budget holder to:

- ✓ Confirm that there is budget available for the purchase.
- ✓ Seek advice on whether more than one quotation is required.
- ✓ Confirm which subproject code to use for the purchase.
- ✓ Ensure that you know the correct tax code for the purchase.

Before beginning to raise a requisition, you will need:

- ✓ The details of the goods or services to be supplied.
- ✓ Your quotations saved electronically, ready to attach to your requisition.
- ✓ To have checked whether the supplier is set up on the finance system. If not, you will need to set them up as a new supplier (see appendix one).
- ✓ The subproject code the purchase will be charged to.
- ✓ For Sussex Estates and Facilities (SEF) purchases: a SEF Work Order number; a Form 1 (if the requisition is over £1,000 and out of scope work).
- ✓ For VAT exempt orders exceeding £5,000: a VAT exemption certificate issued by Finance.
- ✓ For all orders exceeding £25,000: a fully signed Tender Audit Report or a fully signed Tender Waiver Form issued by Procurement.

The following pages provide guidance on how to raise four different types of requisition. The instructions illustrate the core steps common to all four processes, and the additional steps required for e-marketplace and SEF requisitions. The four types of requisition are as follows:

How to raise a standard requisition

A standard requisition is raised via manual entry of product information.

How to raise a light touch supplier requisition

A light touch supplier requisition is raised via manual entry of supplier details and product information.

How to raise an e-marketplace (Punchout) requisition

An e-marketplace requisition is raised directly through the supplier's online catalogues or the e-marketplace.

How to raise a Sussex Estates and Facilities (SEF) requisition


A requisition for goods or services provided by Sussex Estates and Facilities is raised via manual entry of product information, with the addition of a work order number.

Tips for data entry: Field Help, Type Ahead and Error Messages

Field Help and Type Ahead.

There are two options throughout the finance system to help you find codes, products and suppliers. These are **Field Help** and **Type Ahead**.


Field Help

1. Click on the 'Field Help' button  next to the relevant field and a 'Value lookup' search box will appear.

2. Type in your search criteria and press 'Search'.

The example on the right shows that there are two suppliers listed that match the search criteria.

3. Select the relevant supplier.

In some fields, such as the 'Product' field, the 'Field Help' button looks like this: 

4. Click on the 'Field Help' button then select 'Value lookup'.

This same 'Value lookup' search screen will appear.

5. If you wish to see all results, leave the 'Search' criteria blank and just click 'Search'. If you are requesting a large amount of data this search may take a few minutes to complete.

The example on the right lists all purchasing products.

Type Ahead

6. Start to type what you are looking for. After three characters have been entered the available options will be displayed for selection.

In the example on the right, 'SEF' was entered in the 'Product' box. The result is a list of all products codes for SEF.

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Value lookup

Search criteria

Brighton & Hove City Council

Advanced

Search

Supplier ID	Name	Characteristics	IC	Address	Postcode	Isos	Country	County	Idocname
W10548	Walsley & Wren City Co...	0100001/24	Walsley...	2nd Floor Northdown Road, Walsley, Walsley, Walsley	W10 1L	England	GB		01773 7913...
D10219	Diagrams & more City Co...	2010002/23	Diagrams...	Brighton Centre for Information & Design, Brighton, Brighton	BN1 1CR	GB			01273 2640...

Close

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Product	Description

Value lookup

More information

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Value lookup

Search criteria

Advanced

Search

Product	Description	Supplier ID
P2P03	External Trainers providers	
PA001	AV Equipment - Purchase	
PA002	AV Equipment - Hire	
PA003	AV Equipment - Maintenance/Repa...	
PA004	Music - Consumables/Accessories	
PA005	Musical Instruments - Purchase	
PA006	Musical Instruments - Hire	
PA007	Musical Instruments - Repair/Maint...	
PA008	Photographic Equipment - Purchase	
PA009	Photographic Equipment - Hire	
PA010	Photographic Equip - Repairs/Maint	
PA011	Photographic Equip - Consumables	
PA012	Photographic/filmmaking services &...	
PA013	Performing Arts / Theatrical Equip...	

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Product	Description	Supplier	Quantity	Curr
SEF			0.00	GBP
PMC02	SEF - Estates Stores Stock			
PMC03	SEF - TFM Consumables Stock			
PMC04	SEF - Furniture & Appliances for Academic Properties			
PMC05	SEF - Furniture & Appliances for Residences			
PMD02	SEF - Estates Equipment Stock			
PPB02	SEF - Printing			
PQA03	SEF - Postage & Franking			
PQC02	SEF - Courier Services			
PRL04	SEF - Fireworks, Lasers & Lightshows			
PRL05	SEF - Marquees & Tented Structures			
PRL06	SEF - Graduation Ceremonies			
PRL07	SEF - Event Post Clean up & Restoration			
PRL08	SEF - Additional Porters requirements for Events			
PRL09	SEF - Additional staffing requirements for Events			
PT02	SEF - Space Planning and Information			
PTZ05	SEF - UoS Parking tickets books			
PUA01	SEF - Confidential Waste Disposal			
PUC02	SEF - H & S Consumables Stock			



Error Messages

If any mandatory fields are left blank you will receive a validation error message when saving the requisition, like the example on the right.

The finance system will highlight in red the lines that are incomplete.

To resolve, click on the line in red and complete the mandatory field, then press 'Save'.

Please correct the following:

- **Purchase order email destination:** Value cannot be blank.

Errors: 1

Default Finance Codes

Purchase order email destination *

How to raise a standard requisition (excludes SEF and e-marketplace)

i You may complete one requisition for one supplier or you may complete one requisition for multiple suppliers. If you wish to use the second option, you must ensure that you do not put a default supplier on the 'Requisition Entry' tab as this information will default to all lines on the 'Requisition Details' tab.

1. **Log on** to the finance system.
2. **Click** on 'Purchasing', then 'Requisition Input'.

You will now see 3 tabs:

- Requisition entry
- Requisition details
- E-Marketplace (Punchout)

You will need to complete the first two tabs for a standard requisition.

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Requisition Input

Requisition entry | Requisition details | E-Market Place (Punchout)

How to Complete the Requisition Entry Tab:

i What is this?

This tab displays the summary information for the purchase order. It is used to pre-populate the order lines on the 'Requisition details' tab with the supplier and subproject data.

If you are raising a requisition with multiple suppliers you must leave the 'default supplier' field blank.

Requisition

3. **Requisitioner:** This line automatically populates with your name.
4. **Status:** This line defaults to 'Active'.
5. **Period:** This line defaults to the current financial period.
6. **Internal Message:** This is where you can enter an optional message to your authoriser and provide information to facilitate the authorisation of your purchasing request. This message does

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Requisition

Requisitioner*
[Name] [Dropdown]

199282

Status*
Active [Dropdown]

Period
201806

Internal Message
[Text Area]

not appear on the purchase order and is not visible to the supplier.

Default Supplier Details

- 7. Supplier:** You can use the 'Type Ahead' function to display available suppliers, or use the 'Field Help' button for a more detailed search.
- 8. Contact:** Select the order address for your chosen supplier (as some suppliers may have more than one contact or department) via the drop-down list.

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Default Supplier Details

Supplier

Contact

Default Finance Codes

- 9. Purchase order email destination:** This field instructs the finance system where to email the official purchase order once the requisition has been authorised. There are two options for a standard requisition.
 - Type 'S' – To email the purchase order automatically to the supplier (a copy will also be emailed to you).
 - Type 'R' – To email the purchase order to you to forward on to the supplier. With this option you must ensure that you send the purchase order to the supplier. A verbal notification of the purchase order number will not suffice.
- 10. Purchase order prefix dept:** Input your departmental prefix into this field. E.g. FIN for Finance. If you need help finding your department prefix use the 'Field Help' button.
- 11. Subproject:** Insert your subproject code into this field. If you do not know your subproject code the 'Type Ahead' function can help you. If you need a more detailed search use the 'Field Help' button or contact the [Finance Service Desk](#).

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Default Finance Codes

Purchase order email destination *

Purchase order prefix dept *

Subproject

Delivery Contact

- 12. Delivery date:** Set the delivery date to the date you expect to receive the goods or services. This will trigger an automated goods receipt

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Delivery contact

Delivery date *

31/01/2018

Delivery contact

Delivery address

Finance Division
Sussex House
University of Sussex
Falmer
Sussex

For the Attention of

reminder email.

13. Delivery address: This will pre-populate with your campus address. You can use the 'Delivery contact' drop-down box to select another location or building.

14. For Attention of: This is where you can add specific delivery instructions for your purchase order.

How to Complete the Requisition Details Tab:

What is this?

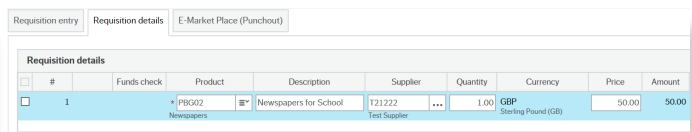
This tab is where the line-by-line detail for the requisition is entered. The detail added in this tab will show on the purchase order, and will be used by Finance to match against the invoice received from the supplier. Accurate data entry on this screen will maximise the efficiency of the purchasing process.

15. Click 'Add' or click on a line to start entering the first line of your requisition.

16. Product: Use 'Type Ahead' to enter a product code by typing a description of what you want to order. E.g. Consultancy fees. A product code with a description will appear for you to select. You can also use the 'Field Help' box to help you search for the correct product code.

17. Description: You must overwrite the 'Description' field with a detailed description of the product or service you wish to buy. This field has a 250 character limit. If the description is not overwritten, the requisition will be sent back to you automatically. The information input in this field is used by Finance to match against invoices, therefore it is important not to use generic descriptions such as "Computer Equipment" or "General Stationery".

18. You can add additional product information to appear on the purchase order by using the 'Product text' field within the 'Additional Information for the supplier' section pictured right.



#	Funds check	Product	Description	Supplier	Quantity	Currency	Price	Amount
1	PBG02	Newspapers	Newspapers for School	Test Supplier	1.00	GBP	50.00	50.00

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Add

Delete

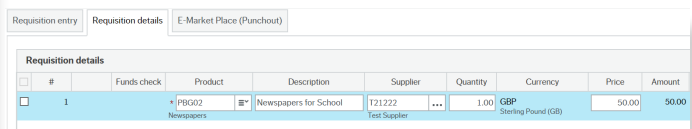
Copy

Reset

Close

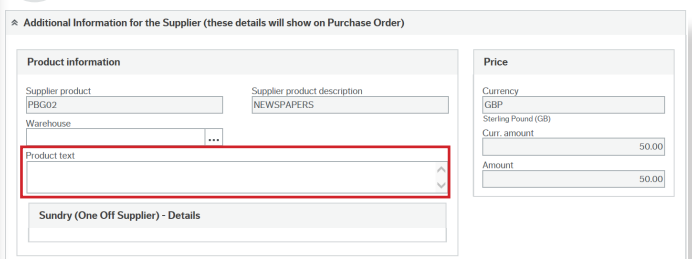
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#	Funds check	Product	Description	Supplier	Quantity	Currency	Price	Amount
1	PBG02	Newspapers	Newspapers for School	Test Supplier	1.00	GBP	50.00	50.00

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Additional Information for the Supplier (these details will show on Purchase Order)

Product information		Price
Supplier product	Supplier product description	Currency
PBG02	NEWSPAPERS	GBP
Warehouse		Sterling Pound (GB)
		Curr. amount
		50.00
		Amount
		50.00

Product text

Sundry (One Off Supplier) - Details

19. Supplier: If you entered the Supplier ID in the 'Requisition entry' tab then the Supplier ID will be automatically populated for all lines on the 'Requisition detail' tab. For a purchase order with multiple suppliers you must enter each supplier on the relevant lines. You can use the 'Type Ahead' or 'Field Help' functions to find the supplier you are purchasing from.

20. Quantity: Enter the number of items you are purchasing in the 'Quantity' field.

21. Price: Enter the net price (the price before VAT) as VAT is calculated based on the VAT code of the product you have selected and added by the system automatically. For free products leave the price as 0.00.

Note: You do not need to complete the 'Currency' field as this is automatically defaulted by the supplier set-up data on the system.

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Supplier	Quantity	Currency	Price	Amount
T21222 Test Supplier	1.00	GBP Sterling Pound (GB)	50.00	50.00

What if I want to create one open purchase order for multiple invoices?

To create an open purchase order you need to swap the 'Quantity' and 'Price' fields, as you can only goods receipt using the 'Quantity' field and not the 'Price'.

For example (see right), if you are going to be billed monthly and you have been given a quote of £1,200 (excluding VAT) for the year, you will want to match the goods received to the invoice value.

Therefore, use the 'Quantity' as the total price £1,200 and the 'Price' as £1.00.

Quantity	Currency	Price	Amount
1,200.00	GBP Sterling Pound (GB)	1.00	1,200.00

22. Account: This is automatically populated from the product code and can't be amended.

23. Costc: This is automatically populated from the subproject code and can't be amended.

24. Project: This is automatically populated from the subproject code and can't be amended.

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Account	Costc	Project	Subproject	Pa/ch	Tax code
3400 Telephone calls	DS Finance	DS002 Test Project	* DS002-02 Test Sub Project	* PS P Standard Rate Purchase	

25. Subproject: If you entered the subproject in the 'Requisition entry' tab then the subproject will be automatically populated for all lines. You can amend the subproject per line if the purchase is to be charged to different subprojects.

26. Tax code (VAT): The tax code is automatically populated based on the product code selected but can be amended if for any reason the supplier doesn't pay tax, e.g. Charitable status.

Tax Codes available for use are as follows:

- P0 – Zero Rate Purchase
- PE – Exempt Purchase
- PM – Medical Research (Where ordering for Medical Research always use tax code PM)
- PO – Outside Scope of VAT purchase
- PS – Standard Rate Purchase
- PU – Lower Rate Purchase

27. Split row: You can use the 'Split row' option to split cost between departments or different subprojects. To do this, enter in the other subproject(s) sharing the cost then change the percentage to reflect how much is to be charged to each subproject. Alternatively, you can amend the amounts but the percentage must equal 100. If the whole order is split, you must do this for all product lines.

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* Finance Codes										
<input type="checkbox"/>	#	Funds check	Account	Costc	Project	Subproject	Pa/ch	Tax code	Percentage	Amount
<input type="checkbox"/>	1		3400	DS	D5002	D5002-02		PS	50.00	600.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	2		3400	DS	D5001	D5001-01	...	PS	50.00	600.00
		Telephone calls	Finance	Finance Directorate	Finance Directorate	Finance Directorate		P Standard Rate Purchase		
Σ									100.00	1,200.00
Delete										

Split row




i If you want to use the same product information for subsequent rows, you can use the 'Copy' button to save time. Just tick the line you want to copy and click 'Copy'. You can amend the quantity, price and subproject as required.

What is funds checking?

When the requisition is submitted for authorisation, the finance system will automatically check against the subproject(s) entered to see if there are sufficient funds to cover the expense of the proposed purchase. You can check available funds prior to saving and submitting your requisition by following the guidelines below.

28. Once you have completed the 'Requisition details' tab press 'Funds check'.

There are 3 possible icons that will appear against each line of the 'Requisition details' tab in the 'Funds check' column. **These are:**

- Funds overspent (over budget) 
- Funds available (within budget) 
- Funds available, but remaining funds less than 10% 

29. To view the detail click on 'Funds check results'. This will show you the detail per subproject budget.

30. Click on each subproject line to view the available budget results.

These results include the cost of the requisition you are raising and VAT.

31. If your requisition is over budget but you have a justified reason to request the spend, add a comment explaining this to your authoriser in the 'Internal Message' field in the 'Requisition Entry' tab. You will also receive a pop up message advising you are over budget when you save the requisition.

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Funds check

Funds check results

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Funds check


Funds check results

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Funds Check			
The budget of 27,520.00 for Sub-Project: US002-02 has been exceeded by 1,125,012.62 (4,087.99%)			
Funds check results			
Item	Sub-Project	Amount	
05002 02			72000
Funds check - Available budget periods			
Available budget definition	Period from	Period to	
Annual	201801	201812	
Funds check - Available budget results			
Budget amount	27,520.00	Remaining budget	0.00
Over budget amount	1,125,012.62		

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Requisition	
Requisitioner *	<input type="text" value="Yvonne Allen"/> 
	199282
Status *	Active 
Period	<input type="text" value="201806"/>
Internal Message	<input type="text"/>

 If you amend any subprojects during the requisition raising process you will need to repeat the funds check process to get the new result.

How To Attach a Document:



Why do I need to do this?

In order to allow for seamless authorisation, documents need to be attached to a requisition where necessary. This forms part of the audit trail and demonstrates that the appropriate process has been followed and value for money has been evidenced. If appropriate documents are not attached, the requisition may be rejected with a request for them to be attached.

You need to attach documents:

- For purchases up to £25,000. In this case attach all quotations received, including those from unsuccessful suppliers.
- For purchases above £5,000 which are subject to VAT relief. In this case you would need to attach a VAT Exemption Form issued by Finance.
- For purchases above £25,000. In this case attach a Tender Audit Report or a Tender Waiver Form (fully completed and signed), which are provided by Procurement.

32. Click on the paper-clip in the top right hand corner.

33. The 'Documents' pop up box will appear.
Click on 'Add a Document'.

34. Upload your chosen document, complete the document title field and click 'Save'.

35. Add further documents by repeating process above.

36. Once all documents have been attached, and all details have been completed in the 'Requisition entry' and 'Requisition details' tabs, click on 'Save'.

If there are enough funds available in the subproject, the system will generate a requisition number. If not, you will receive a warning message.

37. If any of the requisition lines result in an overspend you will receive a pop up 'Funds Check' warning message.

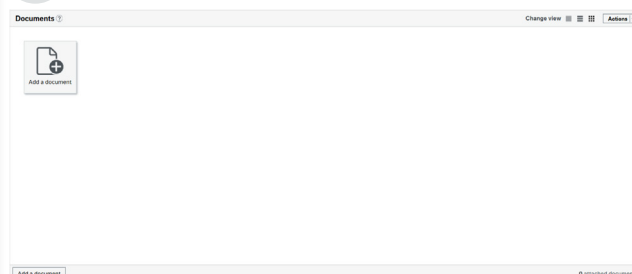
If you want to check the result again, click on 'Funds check results'.

38. If you receive the warning message and have not yet added comments for the authoriser,

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click on 'No' then add your justification for the spend in the 'Internal Comments' field in the 'Requisition Entry' tab.

39. If you have provided comments to the authoriser and have viewed the funds check results, click on 'Yes' to accept the warning. The system will now generate a requisition number (starting with a 9).

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Save

Clear

Open

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Funds check

Warning:
• The total cost of your requisition exceeds the available budget. Do you wish to continue?

Yes

No

Funds check results

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Success

The requisition is saved with requisition number 9166671

OK

Next Steps After Submitting a Requisition:



What now?

Once the system has generated a requisition number, your requisition will enter workflow for authorisation and will create a commitment on the finance system against the budget code entered in the 'Requisition Entry' screen. Section 8 of this guide explains how to track the progress of your requisition.

If the requisition is not authorised it will be rejected back to you with comments. Please see Section 9 to learn how to amend or close a requisition.

An official purchase order will be created once your requisition has been authorised. At this stage please note:

- If you selected R in the 'Purchase order email destination' field when raising the requisition you will receive an email with a PDF of your order. You must ensure this is forwarded to the supplier.
- If you selected S in the 'Purchase order email destination' field when raising the requisition your purchase order will have been automatically sent to the supplier. You will also receive an email with a PDF copy of your order, for your records. The PDF will contain the supplier email address where the purchase order was sent.

Once the goods or services are received you must remember to enter these details in the finance system via a 'goods receipt'. For guidance on how to goods receipt, please see Section 10 of this guide.

Once the supplier sends an invoice to Finance, it will be matched in the finance system against the goods receipted on the purchase order.

How to raise a light touch supplier requisition (low value, single use, no existing supplier)

- i** This process is only to be used for low value infrequent supplier payments, where:
- The goods or services cannot be purchased through an existing supplier on the finance system
 - The supplier cannot accept payment through a purchasing card
 - The goods or services are equal to, or less than the value of £5000 incl. VAT (equivalent contract value over 5 years) including ongoing costs, i.e. machinery maintenance services/warranties
 - The purchase is for a single/infrequent supplier use, there are no current plans to use the supplier again in the next 12 months, and where there will be a single purchase order with a single invoice under £5,000 incl. VAT
 - IR35 employment checks have been completed in advance with HR where appropriate
 - Mandatory supporting documentation (i.e. quote/agreement/outline of goods or services and IR35 check where relevant) is available and can be attached to the requisition where requested
 - Any approval against a proforma will only be granted to generate the purchase order, as the University will only accept a full VAT invoice for payment
 - You understand the University Purchasing Policy in relation to 'No PO, No Pay'. This means that no invoice will be paid unless it can be matched against a valid purchase order, which has been goods receipted to confirm that the order has been fulfilled
 - You have agreed in advance through the Finance Service Desk, or through Procurement referral, the retrospective use of this process as a one-off exception to settle an invoice already received.

IR35

You have a responsibility to understand [IR35 policy](#), initiate assessment and contact the [HR IR35 team](#) if you are unclear. You should never engage or contract with an individual supplier who may be subject to the University's "Off Payroll Working Policy" and be subject to an assessment in line with guidance on the [HR](#) web page. By proceeding to use the light touch requisition process you are confirming that you have understood, are satisfied that you are compliant and can provide documentary evidence if required.

If your purchase falls outside these criteria, please refer to the guidance at the beginning of this document on how to find the right supplier and process for your purchase.

Raising a Light Touch Requisition

There are three basic currency accounts available for your use. Select the correct supplier ID based on the currency being used. Ensure you have the required details before proceeding:

NOTE: you must check that the supplier code selected is correct in relation to bank details entered

1. GBP – P11111: Supplier name, 8-digit bank account number, 6-digit sort code with no hyphens or spaces, full address
2. EUR – E11111: Supplier name, IBAN number, SWIFT code, full address
3. USD – U11111: Supplier name, Bank account number, Swift code or Routing number, full address

Fields Required for Each Currency							
	NAME	BANK Account	SWIFT	Sort Code	Address	Town	Postcode
GBP	YES	YES	--	YES	YES	YES	YES
EUR	YES	IBAN	YES	--	YES	YES	YES
USD	YES	YES	YES	ROUTING NUMBER	YES	YES	YES

Additionally, there is also a 'rest of the world payments' account, where we can make a GBP payment to an international bank account.

4. GBP International - I11111

Fields Required							
	NAME (payee)	BANK Account	SWIFT	Sort Code	Address	Town	Postcode
GBP Intl	YES	YES	YES	--	YES	YES	YES
Supplier MUST complete local currency conversion to allow a GBP requisition to be raised in the finance system and for invoice payment							

We require you to liaise with your supplier and request the local currency conversion to GBP, which you will use to raise the requisition, and which they will then use when submitting their invoice for payment.

Invoices received must be in GBP for payment, and contain the required supplier detail (PO number, supplier email address and bank details).

Where the currency conversion has not taken place the finance system will restrict processing and the account cannot be used.

Access to the light touch requisition process is granted for a period of one month, on request through the [Finance Service Desk](#), or through Procurement referral for a single transaction supplier engagement.

Where possible we recommend use of an existing supplier. Please see the [Finance website](#) for details of existing agreements, contracted and approved suppliers.

How to Raise a Light Touch Supplier Requisition:

- 1. Log on** to the finance system and navigate to 'Purchasing', 'Requisitions - Single use supplier'.
- 2. You must justify the reason for a Light Touch Requisition request.** Complete the mandatory 'internal message' field with a description that clearly identifies the goods or services to facilitate the authorisation of your request. This should include quoting any related finance ticket number. This message doesn't appear on the purchase order and is not visible to the supplier.
- 3. Select the supplier ID** based on the currency being used, noting that each currency requires different banking details, and where using the GBP Intl account you are required to take additional pre-order activity.

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The screenshot shows a web application menu. On the left is a vertical sidebar with 'Home', 'Expenses in progress', and 'Purchasing'. The 'Purchasing' item is selected. On the right, a dropdown menu is open under 'Purchasing', showing 'Requisitions' (which is expanded to show 'Requisition Input', 'Requisitions - Single Use Supplier', and 'Enquiries'), and 'Supplier information'.

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The screenshot shows a text input field labeled 'Internal Message *' in red. The field is empty and has a yellow background. There are up and down arrow icons on the right side of the field.

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it should contain one or more of the following:
Quote number, supplier product code and time period (to and from dates)

The supplier code will default to the Sundry Supplier and you will not be able to change this.

6. The 'Finance Codes' section works in the same way as raising a standard requisition.

From here you are able to split the row if you wish to charge more than one subproject and change the tax code if required.

7. It is mandatory to attach a supporting supplier document (i.e. quote/agreement/outline of goods or services), and IR35 check where relevant, to the requisition to allow the check of all data input and to support approval.

8. Click 'Save' once you have completed your requisition.

9. You can run a workflow enquiry to find out where your requisition has gone for authorisation. From the home screen, navigate to 'Purchasing', 'Enquiries' and select 'Workflow enquiry - Requisitions'. Enter your requisition number and click 'Search'. Purchases with a value of £25,000 and over must follow Procurement Policy and full supplier set-up. More information can be found on the Finance webpage.

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Finance Codes									
#	Funds check	Account	Costs	Project	Subproject	Pa/ch	Tax code		
1	3552	General Advertising	DS	DS002	Finance Processing and Systems	DS002-02	***	P0	***
					Finance Systems				P Zero Rate Purchase
Σ									
Split row									

i The use of the sundry requisition process can result in a prompt 7-day payment. Supplier invoices should be sent to invoices@sussex.ac.uk and will only be paid where the invoice can be matched to a purchase order and confirmed as received through a completed 'goods receipt'.

This can be particularly advantageous to our local businesses, small or medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). You can find further detail on this in our [Faster Payments Guide](#).

i Reporting

To see any Light Touch Supplier Requisitions you have raised, from the home screen navigate to Reports>Purchasing Reports>My Single Use Supplier Requisitions.

To see if any invoices have been paid, navigate to Reports>Purchasing> Invoice Enquiry - Single Use Suppliers

5 How to raise an e-marketplace (Punchout) requisition

i What is the e-marketplace?

The e-marketplace contains hosted catalogues in an online marketplace, which can be accessed directly through the finance system. Once you have selected the items you want to purchase and checked out, your basket is automatically imported into the 'Requisition details' screen, with a majority of the data fields populated from the basket.

There are two elements to the e-marketplace:

1. **Punchout** – This is where you are transported to a specific supplier's website and can then import your shopping basket back into the finance system.
2. **Hosted Catalogues** – This is a single marketplace interface, which allows you to search for products over a number of suppliers to identify the best value options. You can create a shopping basket with goods from multiple suppliers and then import them all back to finance system at once.

All suppliers with hosted catalogues are pre-approved suppliers available through agreed contracts. Therefore, there is no need to attach documents for requisitions placed via the e-marketplace.

1. **Log on** to the finance system
2. **Click** on 'Purchasing' and 'Requisition Input'

You will now see 3 tabs:

- Requisition entry
- Requisition details
- E-Marketplace (Punchout)

You will need to complete the 'Requisition entry' and 'E-Marketplace' tabs for an e-marketplace requisition. The 'Requisition details' are automatically populated for you and should not be changed.

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Requisition Input

How to Complete the Requisition Entry Tab:

i What is this?

This tab displays the summary information for the purchase order. It is used to pre-populate the order lines on the 'Requisition details' tab with the supplier and subproject data.

If you are raising a requisition with multiple suppliers and charging to different subprojects, you can over-type the pre-populated information in the 'Requisitions details' tab on each order line.

Requisition

3. **Requisitioner:** This line automatically populates with your name.
4. **Status:** This line defaults to 'Active'.
5. **Period:** This line defaults to the current financial period.
6. **Internal Message:** This is where you can enter an optional message to your authoriser and provide information to facilitate the authorisation of your purchasing request. This message does not appear on the purchase order and is not visible to the supplier.

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Requisition

Requisitioner*

Yvonne Allen

199282

Status*

Active

Period

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Internal Message

Default Supplier Details

7. **Supplier:** This field is not required when raising an e-marketplace requisition as it will automatically populate when you checkout from the supplier's web page.
8. **Contact:** This field is not required when raising an e-marketplace requisition.

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Default Supplier Details

Supplier

Contact

Default Finance Codes

9. **Purchase order email Destination:** This field instructs the finance system where to email the official purchase order once the requisition has been authorised.

You must Type 'P' into this field, as these orders are sent electronically to the supplier's ordering system rather than via an emailed purchase order. A copy will also be emailed to you for your reference.
10. **Purchase order prefix dept:** Input your departmental prefix into this field. E.g. FIN for Finance. If you need help finding your department prefix use the 'Field Help' button.
11. **Subproject:** Insert your subproject code into this field. If you do not know your subproject code the 'Type Ahead' function can help you. If you need a more detailed search use the 'Field Help' button or contact the [Finance Service Desk](#).

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Default Finance Codes

Purchase order email destination*

Purchase order prefix dept*

Subproject

Delivery Contact

- 12. Delivery date:** Set the delivery date to the date you expect to receive the goods or services. This will trigger an automated goods receipt reminder email.
- 13. Delivery address:** This will pre-populate with your campus address. You can use the 'Delivery contact' drop-down box to select another location or building.
- 14. For Attention of:** Do not use this field for e-marketplace orders as it may delay your order.

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Delivery contact

Delivery date*
31/01/2018

Delivery contact
Lynne Allen (Delivery)

Delivery address
Finance Division
Sussex House
University of Sussex
Falmer
Sussex

For the Attention of

How to Complete the E-Marketplace (Punchout) Tab:

- 15. From the 'Requisition Entry' tab,** click straight on to the E-Marketplace (Punchout) tab.
- 16. Click on 'Go shopping'.**
- 17. You will be redirected to a website where you can either:**
 - Select a Punch-out supplier
 - Or select 'Catalogue' for a list of hosted catalogues (to search for products across multiple suppliers).
- 18. Select the items to purchase** from the supplier's website or hosted catalogue(s).
- 19. Once you have completed your shopping,** the supplier website will provide you with a summary of your purchases. If you are happy with your order, click on 'checkout'.
- 20. You will see a summary of your order** in the University e-marketplace. You can add to this order from as many Punch-out suppliers or catalogues as you wish. Clicking on 'Checkout' will take you back to the finance system, where you will complete your requisition.
- 21. Click on 'Retrieve shopping'.** This will load all of your shopping baskets. Tick the appropriate line to load and click 'Generate to

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Requisition Input

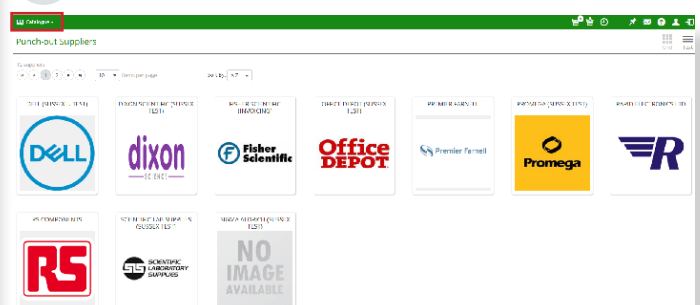
Requisition entry | Requisition details | **E-Market Place (Punchout)**

Remote shopping

☐ Marketplace

Delete | **Go shopping** | Generate to requisition | Retrieve shopping

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Office Supplies | Technology | Facilities Management | Furniture & Scating | Manage Account

SEARCH [] GO

Home > Find Your Product

Shopping Basket

Description	Price/unit	Qty	Estimated Delivery Date	Total	Subtotal
Office Depot 25/6 and No 56 Staples - Box of 5000 Item number: 5519165 entered product code 5519165	£0.28 / pack	5	27/11/17	£1.40	£108.10
Office Depot Sticky Cube 76 x 76mm Yellow Item number: 1414579 entered product code 1414579	£0.40 / each	5	27/11/17	£2.00	£108.10

Order By Item Number

Item Number: [] City: [] ADD TO BASKET

requisition’.

Once you have clicked on ‘Generate to Requisition’ you will be taken to the ‘Requisition details’ tab.

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How to Complete the Requisition Details Tab:



What is this?

This tab is usually where the line-by-line detail for the purchase order is entered. The detail in this tab will be shown on the purchase order, and will be used by Finance to match against the invoice received from the supplier.

With e-marketplace orders, the shopping you have just completed online will automatically populate in the ‘Requisition details’ fields.

It is important **NOT** to change any of the order details in this screen. If you want to change the quantity of an item, return to the e-marketplace and select the item again.

22. Account: This is automatically populated from the product code and can’t be amended.

23. Costc: This is automatically populated from the subproject code and can’t be amended.

24. Project: This is automatically populated from the subproject code and can’t be amended.

25. Subproject: If you entered the subproject in the ‘Requisition entry’ tab then the subproject will be automatically populated for all lines. You can amend the subproject per line if the purchase is to be charged to different subprojects.

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26. Tax code (VAT): You must ensure that the correct tax codes are selected in the 'Requisition detail' screen on the finance system, not the e-marketplace, before saving as any changes made to tax values in the e-marketplace will not be drawn through to the requisition automatically. This is particularly important for tax exempt items.

Tax Codes available for use are as follows:

- P0 – Zero Rate Purchase
- PE – Exempt Purchase
- PM – Medical Research (Where ordering for Medical Research always use tax code PM)
- PO – Outside Scope of VAT purchase
- PS – Standard Rate Purchase
- PU – Lower Rate Purchase

27. Split row: You can use the 'Split row' option to split cost between departments or different subprojects. To do this, enter in the other subproject(s) sharing the cost then change the percentage to reflect how much is to be charged to each subproject. Alternatively you can amend the amounts but the percentage must equal 100. If the whole order is split, you must do this for all product lines.

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* Finance Codes										
	#	Funds check	Account	Costs	Project	Subproject	Pa/ch	Tax code	Percentage	Amount
<input type="checkbox"/>	1		3500	DS	DS002	DS002-02	B*	PS	50.00	7.72
			DS002	DS002	DS002-02	DS002-02		PS	50.00	7.72
<input type="checkbox"/>	2		3500	DS	DS001	DS001-02		PS	50.00	7.72
			DS001	DS001	DS001-02	DS001-02		PS	50.00	7.72
									100.00	15.44

Delete Split row



What is funds checking?

When the requisition is submitted for authorisation, the finance system will automatically check against the subproject(s) entered to see if there are sufficient funds to cover the expense of the proposed purchase. You can check available funds prior to saving and submitting your requisition by following the guidelines below.

28. Once you have completed the 'Requisition details' tab press 'Funds check'.


There are 3 possible icons that will appear against each line of the 'Requisition details' tab in the 'Funds check column'. These are:

- Funds overspent (over budget)
- Funds available (within budget)

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Funds check

Funds check results

- Funds available, but remaining funds less than 10% 

29. To view the detail click on 'Funds check results'. This will show you the detail per subproject budget.

30. Click on each subproject line to view available budget results.

These results include the cost of the requisition you are raising and VAT.

31. If your requisition is over budget but you have a justified reason to request the spend, add a comment explaining this to your authoriser in the 'Internal Message' field in the 'Requisition Entry' tab. You will also receive a pop up message advising you are over budget when you save the requisition.

32. Once all details have been completed in the 'Requisition entry' and 'Requisition details' tabs, click on 'Save'.

The system will generate a requisition number message.

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Funds check

Funds check results

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Funds Check		
The budget of 27,520.00 for Sub-Project: US002-03 has been exceeded by 1,325,012.62 (4,087.95%)		
Funds check results		
Item	Sub-Project	Amount
D5002 02		72000
Funds check - Available budget periods		
Available budget definition	Period from	Period to
Annual	201801	201812
Funds check - Available budget results		
Budget amount	27,520.00	Remaining budget
Over budget amount	1,325,012.62	

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Requisition

Requisitioner *

Cyrine Allen

199282

Status *
Active

Period
201806

Internal Message

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✓ Success

The requisition is saved with requisition number 9166671

OK



If you amend any subprojects during the requisition raising process you will need to repeat the funds check process to get the new result.

Next Steps After Submitting a Requisition:



What now?

Once the system has generated a requisition number, your requisition will enter workflow for authorisation and will create a commitment on the finance system against the budget code entered in the 'Requisition entry' screen. Section 8 of this guide explains how to track the progress of your requisition.

If the requisition is not authorised it will be rejected back to you with comments. Please see Section 9 to learn how to amend or close a requisition.

An official purchase order will be created once your requisition has been authorised.

At this stage please note:

- You selected P in the 'Purchase order email destination' field when raising the requisition. This means that the supplier will automatically be sent an electronic purchase order from the finance system. You will receive a PDF copy of your order via email for your records.

Once the goods or services are received you must remember to enter these details in the finance system via a 'goods receipt'. For guidance on how to goods receipt, please see Section 10 of this guide.

Once the supplier sends an invoice to Finance, it will be matched in the finance system against the goods receipted on the purchase order.

6 How to raise a Sussex Estates and Facilities (SEF) requisition

1. **Log on** to the finance system
 2. **Click** on 'Purchasing' and 'Requisition Input'
- You will now see 3 tabs:
- Requisition entry
 - Requisition details
 - E-Marketplace (Punchout)

You will need to complete the first two tabs for a SEF requisition.

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Requisition Input

Requisition entry Requisition details E-Market Place (Punchout)

How to Complete the Requisition Entry Tab:

What is this?

This tab displays the summary information for the purchase order. It is used to pre-populate the order lines on the 'Requisition details' tab with the supplier and subproject data.

If you are raising a SEF requisition and charging to different subprojects you can over-type the pre-populated information in the 'Requisitions details' tab on each order line.

Requisition

3. **Requisitioner:** This line automatically populates with your name.
4. **Status:** This line defaults to 'Active'.
5. **Period:** This line defaults to the current financial period.
6. **Internal Message:** This is where you can enter an optional message to your authoriser and provide information to facilitate the authorisation of your purchasing request. This message does not appear on the purchase order and is not visible to the supplier.

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Requisition

Requisitioner*
Yvonne Allen
199282

Status*
Active

Period
201806

Internal Message

Default Supplier Details

7. **Supplier:** For SEF orders you must use S17277 as the supplier code.
8. **Contact:** This field is not applicable for SEF orders.

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Default Supplier Details

Supplier	S17277	...
Sussex Estates and Facilities LLP		
Sussex Estates & Facilities Mantel House University of Sussex, BN1 9RF Brighton, United Kingdom		
Contact		▼

Default Finance Codes

9. **Purchase order email Destination:** This field instructs the finance system where to email the official purchase order once the requisition has been authorised. There are two options.
 - Type 'S' – To email the purchase order automatically to the supplier (a copy will also be emailed to you).
 - Type 'R' – To email the purchase order to you to forward on to the supplier. With this option you must ensure that you send the purchase order to the supplier. SEF will not accept orders without a valid purchase order.
10. **Purchase order prefix dept:** Input your departmental prefix into this field. E.g. FIN for Finance. If you need help finding your department prefix use the 'Field Help' button.
11. **Subproject:** Insert your subproject code into this field. If you do not know your subproject code the 'Type Ahead' function can help you. If you need a more detailed search use the 'Field Help' button or contact the [Finance Service Desk](#).

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Default Finance Codes

Purchase order email destination *	▼	...	Purchase order prefix dept *		...
Subproject		...			

Delivery Contact

12. **Delivery date:** Set the delivery date to the date you expect to receive the goods or services. This will trigger an automated goods receipt reminder email.
13. **Delivery address:** This will pre-populate with your campus address. You can use the 'Delivery contact' drop-down box to select another location or building.
14. **For Attention of:** This is where you can add delivery instructions for your purchase order.

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Delivery contact

Delivery date *	31/01/2018	📅
Delivery contact	▼	
Delivery address	Finance Division Sussex House University of Sussex Falmer Sussex	
For the Attention of		

How to Complete the Requisition Details Tab:

What is this?

This tab is where the line-by-line detail for the requisition is entered. The detail added in this tab will show on the purchase order, and will be used by Finance to match against the invoice received from the supplier. Accurate data entry on this screen will maximise the efficiency of the purchasing process.

15. Click 'Add' or click on a line to start entering the first line of your requisition.
16. **Product:** You must use the prefix SEF when searching for products (see right). If you do not input a SEF product when ordering from SEF, the requisition will be automatically rejected and sent back to you asking you to use a SEF product.
17. **Description:** You must overwrite the 'Description' field with a detailed description of the product or service you wish to buy. For SEF requisitions this description should start with a SEF Work Order number. This field has a 250 character limit. If the description is not overwritten, the requisition will be automatically sent back to you. The information input in this field is used by Finance to match against invoices, therefore it is important not to use generic descriptions such as "Furniture" or "Printing".
18. You can add additional product information to appear on the purchase order by using the 'Product text' field within the 'Additional Information for the supplier' section pictured right.
19. **Supplier:** This will be automatically populated with the SEF supplier code - S17277.
20. **Quantity:** Enter the number of items you are purchasing in the 'Quantity' field.
21. **Price:** Enter the net price (the price before VAT) as VAT is accounted for between SEF and the University. The VAT/Tax code must be 'PO' for

Requisition entry		Requisition details		E-Market Place (Punchout)					
Requisition details									
<input type="checkbox"/>	#	Funds check	Product	Description	Supplier	Quantity	Currency	Price	Amount
<input type="checkbox"/>	1		+ PMC04 SEF - Furniture & Appliances for Academic P...	■ New seating for JMS Sixteen Estates and Facilities...	S17277 ...	1.00	GBP Sterling Pound...	50.00	50.00

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Add

Delete

Copy

Reset

Close

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Product	Description	Supplier
* SEF		S17277
SE PMC02	SEF - Estates Stores Stock	
PMC03	SEF - TFM Consumables Stock	
PMC04	SEF - Furniture & Appliances for Academic Properties	
PMC05	SEF - Furniture & Appliances for Residences	
PMD02	SEF - Estates Equipment Stock	
PPB02	SEF - Printing	
PQA03	SEF - Postage & Franking	
PQC02	SEF - Courier Services	
PRL04	SEF - Fireworks, Lasers & Lightshows	
PRL05	SEF - Marquees & Tented Structures	

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Additional Information for the Supplier (these details will show on Purchase Order)

Product information Supplier product: PMC04 Warehouse: ... Product text: <input type="text"/> Sundry (One Off Supplier) - Details	Price Currency: (GBP) Sterling Pounds (GBP) Curr. amount: 50.00 Amount: 50.00
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Product	Description	Supplier	Quantity	Currency	Price	Amount
* PPB02	Printing costs 2017-1	S17277	1,200.00	GBP	1.00	1,200.00

this purpose on all SEF requisitions.

Note: You do not need to complete the 'Currency' field as this is automatically defaulted by the supplier set-up data on the system.

i What if I want to create one open purchase order for multiple invoices?

To create an open purchase order you need to swap the 'quantity' and 'price' fields, as you can only goods receipt using the 'quantity' field and not the 'price'.

For example (see right), if you are going to be billed monthly and you have been given a quote of £1,200 (excluding VAT) for the year, you will want to match the goods received to the invoice value.

Therefore, use the 'Quantity' as the total price £1,200 and the 'Price' as £1.00.

Quantity	Currency	Price	Amount
1,200.00	GBP Sterling Pound (GB)	1.00	1,200.00

i If you want to use the same product information for subsequent rows, you can use the Copy button to save time. Just tick the line you want to copy and click Copy. You can amend the quantity, price and subproject as required.

Add
Delete
Copy
Reset
Close

22. Account: This is automatically populated from the product code and can't be amended.

23. Costc: This is automatically populated from the subproject code and can't be amended.

24. Project: This is automatically populated from the subproject code and can't be amended.

25. Subproject: If you entered the subproject in the 'Requisition entry' tab then the subproject will be automatically populated for all lines. You can amend the subproject per line if the purchase is to be charged to different subprojects.

26. Servctr: When ordering certain goods or services from SEF, a 'Servctr' field will be shown. If you have been given an order number by SEF, you must enter it in this field.

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#	Funds check	Account	Costc	Project	Subproject	Servctr	Pa/ch	Tax code	Percentage	Amount
1		8210 Printing Prospectus & Other Qual...	DS Finance	DS002 Test Proj...	DS002-02 Test Sub Project			PO	100.00	1,200.00
Σ									100.00	1,200.00

27. Tax code (VAT): You must leave the Tax code as 'PO'.

28. Split row : You can use the 'Split row' option to split cost between departments or different subprojects. To do this, enter in the other subproject(s) sharing the cost then change the percentage to reflect how much is to be charged to each subproject. Alternatively you can amend the amounts but the percentage must equal 100. If the whole order is split, you must do this for all product lines.

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A Finance Codes										
#	Funds check	Account	Costs	Project	Subproject	Service	Pa/oh	Tax code	Percentage	Amount
1		8210	DS	D5002	D5002-02			PO	50.00	600.00
2		8210	DS	D5001	D5001-01	123456		PO	50.00	600.00
										100.00
										1,200.00




Delete Split row

What is funds checking?

When the requisition is submitted for authorisation, the finance system will automatically check against the subproject(s) entered to see if there are sufficient funds to cover the expense of the proposed purchase. You can check available funds prior to saving and submitting your requisition by following the guidelines below.

29. Once you have completed the 'Requisition details' tab press 'Funds check'.

There are 3 possible icons that will appear against each line of the 'Requisition details' tab in the 'Funds check' column. These are:

- Funds overspent (over budget) 
- Funds available (within budget) 
- Funds available, but remaining funds less than 10% 

30. To view the detail click on 'Funds check results'. This will show you the detail per subproject budget.

31. Click on each subproject line to view the available budget results.

These results include the cost of the requisition you are raising and VAT.

32. If your requisition is over budget but you have a justified reason to request the spend, add a comment explaining this to your authoriser in the 'Internal Message' field in the 'Requisition Entry' tab. You will also receive a pop up message advising you are over budget when you save the requisition.


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Funds check

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Funds check results

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Funds Check		
The budget of 27,520.00 for Sub-Project - US002-02 has been exceeded by 1,125,012.62 (4,087.58%)		
Funds check results	Sub-Project	Amount
	D5002-02	72000
Funds check - Available budget periods		
Available budget definition	Period from	Period to
Annual	201801	201812
Funds check - Available budget results		
Budget amount	27,520.00	Remaining budget
Over budget amount	1,125,012.62	0.00

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Requisition

Requisitioner*

John Allen

199282

Status*
Active

Period
201806

Internal Message

i If you amend any subprojects during the requisition raising process you will need to repeat the funds check process to get the new result.

How To Attach a Document:

i Why do I need to do this?

In order to allow for seamless authorisation, documents need to be attached to a requisition where necessary. This forms part of the audit trail and demonstrates that the appropriate process has been followed and value for money has been evidenced. If appropriate documents are not attached, the requisition may be rejected with a request for them to be attached.

For SEF purchases you may require:

- A SEF Scrutiny Form and Form 1 or 2 as applicable.

33. Click on the paper-clip in the top right hand corner.

34. The 'Documents' pop up box will appear.
Click on 'Add a Document'.

35. Upload your chosen document, complete the document title field and click 'Save'.

36. Add further documents by repeating process above.

37. Once all documents have been attached, and all details have been completed in the 'Requisition entry' and 'Requisition details' tabs, click on 'Save'.

If there are enough funds available in the subproject, the system will generate a requisition number. If not, you will receive a warning message.

38. If any of the requisition lines result in an overspend you will receive a pop up 'Funds Check' warning message.

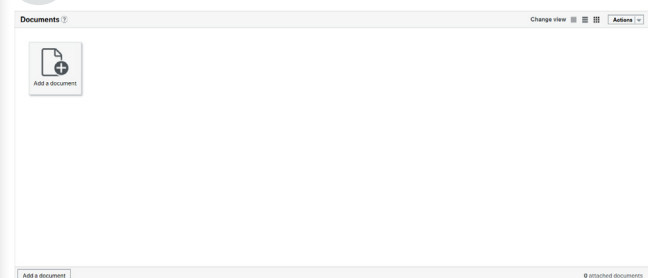
If you want to check the result again, click on 'Funds check results'.

39. If you receive the warning message and have not yet added comments for the authoriser, click on 'No' then add your justification for the spend in the 'Internal Comments' field in the 'Requisition Entry' tab.

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40. If you have provided comments to the authoriser and have viewed the funds check results, click on 'Yes' to accept the warning. The system will now generate a requisition number (starting with a 9).

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Save

Clear

Open

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Funds check

Warning:
• The total cost of your requisition exceeds the available budget. Do you wish to continue?

Yes

No

Funds check results

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Success

The requisition is saved with requisition number 9166671

OK

Next Steps After Submitting a Requisition:



What now?

Once the system has generated a requisition number, your requisition will enter workflow for authorisation and will create a commitment in the finance system against the budget code entered in the 'Requisition Entry' screen. Section 8 of this guide explains how to track the progress of your requisition.

If the requisition is not authorised it will be rejected back to you with comments. Please see Section 9 to learn how to amend or close a requisition.

An official purchase order will be created once your requisition has been authorised. At this stage please note:

- If you selected R in the 'Purchase order email destination' field when raising the requisition, you will receive an email with a PDF of your order. You must ensure this is forwarded to SEF.
- If you selected S in the 'Purchase order email destination' field when raising the requisition, your purchase order will have been automatically sent to SEF. You will also receive an email with a PDF copy of your order, for your records.

Once the goods or services are received you must remember to enter these details in the finance system via a goods receipt. For guidance on how to goods receipt, please see Section 10 of this guide.

Once the supplier sends an invoice to Finance, it will be matched in the finance system against the goods receipted on the purchase order.

7 How to re-open a requisition (to amend or cancel before it is authorised)

1. Navigate to the 'Purchasing tab' in the main menu and choose 'Requisition Input'.
2. Click on the 'Open' button at the bottom of the screen.
3. Type in the requisition number you want to open in the 'Search' criteria and click 'Search'. Alternatively, leave blank and click 'Search' to see all the requisitions you have raised.
4. Your requisition will be shown in the line at the bottom. Click on this to re-open.
5. Amend the details and 'Save' to re-submit the requisition, or change the status to 'Closed' if it is no longer required. You can only do this if the requisition is still showing as 'Active'.

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Value lookup

Search criteria

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Search

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Value lookup

Search criteria

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Advanced

Search

Requisition	Requested by (T)	Sub-Project	SuppID	SuppID (T)	Delivdate	Curr. amount	Workflow status (T)
9166457		SA001-01	T21220	test 123	04/12/2017	800.00	Workflow in progress

Close

8 How to copy a previous requisition (if all or most of the details are the same)

1. **Navigate to the 'Purchasing tab' in the main menu and choose 'Requisition Input'.**
2. **Click on the 'Open' button** at the bottom of the screen.
3. **Type in the requisition number you want to open** in the 'Search criteria' and click 'Search'. Alternatively, leave blank and click 'Search' to see all the requisitions you have raised.
4. **Your requisition will be shown** in the line at the bottom. Click on this to re-open.
5. **Your requisition will load on to the page.** The status will either be 'Finished' if it has completed workflow or 'Active' if it has not yet been authorised. Either way, it can still be copied.
6. **Click on 'Copy requisition'** at the bottom of the screen and a new requisition will be created. Note - the previous requisition number is no longer displayed.
7. **Amend any details** which are different from the previous requisition, if needed, and click 'Save'. The finance system will generate a new requisition number and the requisition will enter workflow for authorisation.

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Clear Open Print preview

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Value lookup

Search criteria

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Search

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Value lookup

Search criteria

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Advanced

Search

Requisition	Requested by (T)	Sub-Project	SuppID	SuppID (T)	Deliv date	Cur. amount	Workflow status (T)
9166456	Dave Pritchard	SA001-01	T21220	test 123	04/12/2017	500.00	Finished

Close

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Requisition Input

Requisition entry Requisition details E-Market Place (Purchase)

Requisition number: 9166456

Requisition: 9166456

Supplier: T21220

Sub-Project: SA001-01

Delivery date: 04/12/2017

Delivery address: Finance Division, University of Sussex, Brighton, BN1 9QJ

Default Finance Codes

Purchase order email destination: 0

Purchase order prefix length: 10

Group PO to Supplier & Date to Requisition: 0

Subproject: SA001-01

Percentage: 0

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Requisition Input

Requisition entry Requisition details E-Market Place (Purchase)

Requisition number: 186002

Requisition: 186002

Supplier: T21220

Sub-Project: SA001-01

Delivery date: 04/12/2017

Delivery address: Finance Division, University of Sussex, Brighton, BN1 9QJ

Default Finance Codes

Purchase order email destination: 0

Purchase order prefix length: 10

Group PO to Supplier & Date to Requisition: 0

Subproject: SA001-01

Percentage: 0

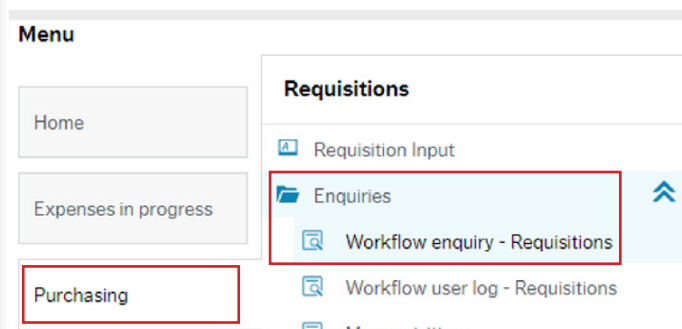
9 How to track authorisation progress via workflow

1. You can run a workflow enquiry to find out where your requisition has gone for authorisation. Log on to the finance system and navigate to 'Purchasing', 'Enquiries' and select 'Workflow enquiry - Requisitions'.
2. Enter your requisition number and click 'Search'. If you do not know the requisition number, un-tick 'Historical', leave the 'Requisition like' field blank and click 'Search.' This will show all of your requisitions in workflow.

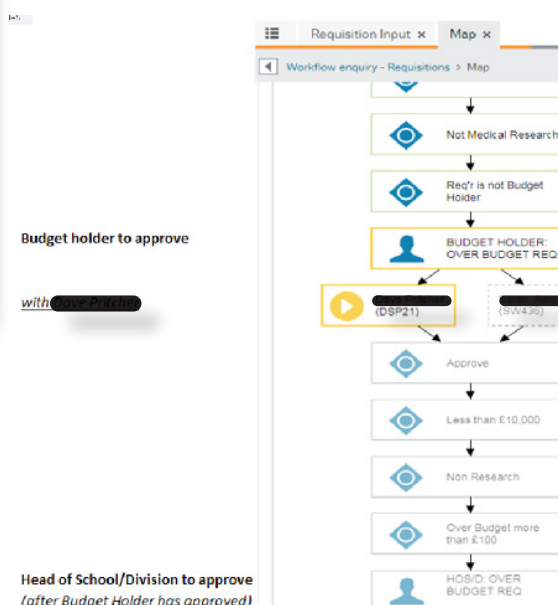
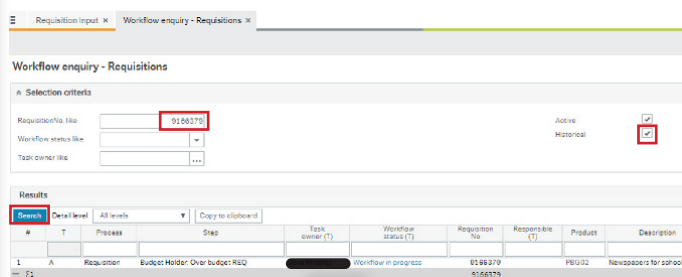
An example of a workflow enquiry is shown in screen shot 2 on the right. It shows the following:

- Step: i.e. where in the process the authorisation is at. In this case, it is at Budget Holder: Over budget approval.
- Task owner: The person designated to authorise the requisition.
- Workflow status: If you click on the workflow status it will display a workflow map (see bottom screen shot) which shows the full authorisation chain, and where your requisition currently is in that chain.
- Workflow in progress: this means that your requisition is with someone awaiting authorisation.
- Finished: This means that all authorisations have been completed and the system will/has produced a purchase order.

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10 How to close or amend rejected requisitions

i Why has my requisition been rejected?

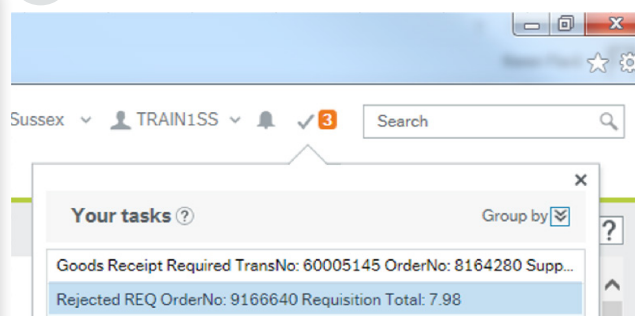
There are two reasons why a requisition could be rejected back to you:

1. The system has automatically rejected the requisition back to you due to a data error. This would be due to one of the following scenarios.
 - Rejected REQ: PO Destination error: This means that you have chosen the wrong option in the 'Purchase order email destination' field within the 'Requisition entry' tab. I.e. For e-marketplace/Punch-out orders this must be input as P. For non e-marketplace/Punch-out orders you must chose R or S. See the 'Requisition Entry' guidelines in Section 3 for further details.
 - Rejected REQ: Description error: This means that you have not over-typed the generic product description. You must over-type the default product description with full details of the goods or services you wish to purchase.
 - Rejected REQ: SEF Supplier/Product error: This means that you have chosen the wrong product or supplier for a SEF requisition. You must choose a SEF product when ordering from SEF, and you must use Supplier S17277 if you have chosen a SEF product. For further details please see Section 5.
2. The authoriser has rejected the task back to you with a comment as to why they have rejected it. E.g. "Please use xxxx subproject", or "Please attach documents with quotations evidencing value for money"

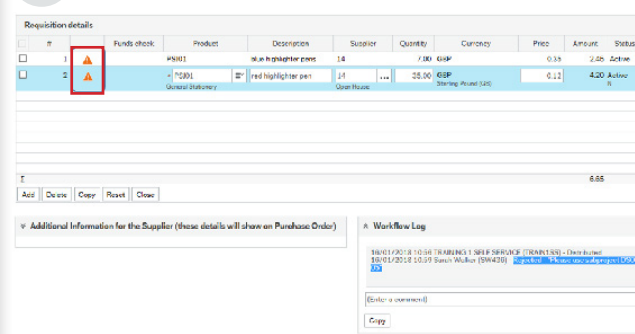
1. **Select** the 'Rejected REQ' task in your task list.
2. **Click on 'Requisition details' tab.** Any line/s that have been rejected will display an exclamation mark. Click on the exclamation mark and view the authoriser's comments in the workflow log box.
3. **Depending on the reason for rejection, you can either:**
 - Amend any incorrect details and click 'Save'
 - Or, if the requisition is no-longer required, tick the relevant line/s and press 'Close' in the 'Requisition details' section. Then press 'save'.

Please note: If one item is rejected and the others are authorised, only close the rejected line/s and click 'Save'. These will appear on the authoriser's screen but the status will remain as 'Closed' and the price will be zero.

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Part Two - Process

Purchasing Goods and Services

It is important to close the relevant line/s as the requisition will remain committed against the subproject budget.

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Requisition details									
#	Funds check	Product	Description	Supplier	Quantity	Currency	Price	Amount	Status
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1	* FSG02	Newspapers for school Newspapers	H11691 Heymarket Publishing Limited	...	1.00 GBP Sterling Pound (GB)	50.00	50.00	Active N
								Σ	50.00

11 How to receipt goods and services when received

i A purchase order is a formal document stating that goods or services are required from a supplier. A Goods Receipt Notice (GRN) is the formal declaration that the goods or services have been received satisfactorily in part or in full, and acts as the authority to pay the supplier.

When you receive goods or services you must acknowledge this via the Goods Receipting option in the finance system. Invoices from suppliers will only be paid where the invoice can be matched to a purchase order and confirmed as received through a Goods Receipt Notice. The system will send a Goods Receipt task to you via email 30 days after your expected delivery date, if you have not completed a Goods Receipt on the system. However, it is important that you only receipt when you have received the goods or services.

1. **Log on** to the finance system.
2. **Click on** 'Purchasing' and 'Goods Receipt'.
3. **Input your purchase order number.** If you have forgotten the order number it can be found in the 'My Requisitions' or 'My Purchases' report sections.
4. **Select the order lines** that have been received and enter the quantity received. For example, if you received one item, you enter 1 under 'Qty received'. If you have received all the goods or services ordered, tick all lines and click on 'All Goods Received'.
5. **Click on 'Save'** and you will be given a receipt number as confirmation of your goods receipt.

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Menu

Home	Requisitions	Purchase orders
Expenses in progress	Requisition Input	Purchase order follow up
	Enquiries	Goods receipt
		Goods return
Purchasing	Purchasing Invoices	Supplier information

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Goods receipt x

Goods receipt

Order information	References	Delivery
Order number: 0 ***	Requested by:	Delivery date:
Supplier:	External order ref:	
Order date:		

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Order details

Order line	Product	Description	Order qty	Ordered amount	Previously received	Qty. received	Unit price
1	PS102	test 28.1	1.00	54.00	0.00	0.00	54.00
Σ			1.00		0.00	1.00	

Set Qty received to zero All Goods Received Finance User Only

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Success

Receipt no: 7190852

i For open purchase orders

Enter the invoice price in the 'Qty. Received' field. In the example on the right: in the previous month £100 was receipted and this month a further £150, giving a receipted total of £250.

Order details

Order line	Product	Description	Order qty	Ordered amount	Previously received	Qty. received	Unit price
1	POB01	Telephone charges 2017/2018	1,200.00	1,200.00	100.00	0.00	1.00
Σ			1,200.00		100.00	0.00	

Set Qty received to zero All Goods Received Finance User Only

Order details

Order line	Product	Description	Order qty	Ordered amount	Previously received	Qty. received	Unit price
1	POB01	Telephone charges 2017/2018	1,200.00	1,200.00	250.00	0.00	1.00
Σ			1,200.00		250.00	0.00	

12 How to receipt goods and services when an invoice has been registered



'Missing Goods Receipt' tasks will appear for the requisitioner to complete when an invoice has been registered against an order but has not been goods receipted on the system, or a goods receipt has been completed but it does not equal the quantity on the invoice registered.

They will appear in the task manager under 'Process' as 'Incoming Purchase Invoice' or under 'Step' as 'Goods Receipt Required', depending on how you have chosen to view your tasks.

Invoice tasks will always appear with a due date; this is when an invoice is due for payment.

When you click on the task it will load an authorisation screen. There are two different types of goods receipt authorisation:

1. **Receive Goods** - This is where a goods receipt has not been completed prior to the invoice being entered onto the system by Finance.
2. **Match to invoice** - This is where a goods receipt has been completed after the invoice has been entered by Finance.

For both types, you need to confirm that you have received these goods/services and authorise the invoice to be processed against your order line/s.

If the 'Approve' button does not complete the task, this means that there are multiple invoices on the system where the total quantity invoiced exceeds the order quantity. To complete the task, click 'Go to Goods Receipt Window', fully action the goods receipt and click 'Save'. You should then be able to return to the task and it will allow you to authorise. The action will change to 'Match to invoice'.

If the goods receipt is actioned before the invoice is received, then no task will be sent.

Client	Process name	Workflow step	Task data	Due on
SU	Incoming Purchase Invoice	Goods Receipt Required	TransNo: 60000684, OrderNo: 8164028, SuppID: S17277, Name: Sussex Estate...	25/10/2017

Action	Status	Order line	Product	Product description	Quantity	Amount	Currency	Receipt date	Receipt No	External ref	Received
<input type="checkbox"/>	Receive goods	To receive	1	PQR01	Audio Conferencing	1.00	14.25	GBP	01/11/2017		
						Σ					14.25

Action	Status	Order line	Product	Product description	Quantity	Amount	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Match to invoice	Received	1	PQR01	Audio Conferencing	1.00	14.25
						Σ	14.25

13 What are requisitioner Invoice Approval Tasks?

i When an invoice has been received against a purchase order you have raised but the invoice is more than £20 different to the purchase order line/s (i.e. out of tolerance), or there are additional items on the invoice that don't exist on the order, additional authorisation will be required for the difference.

The system will create a 'Requisitioner Invoice Approval' task for the requisitioner, which will appear in your task list.

When you click on the task it will load an authorisation screen.

You, as the requisitioner, are being asked to review the invoice before it is sent for further authorisation to make sure you agree with the difference in price.

Requisitioner: Invoice Approval TransNo: 60000694 SupplD:

Requisitioner: Invoice Approval TransNo: 60000702 SupplD:

Requisitioner: Invoice Approval TransNo: 60000703 SupplD:

To Authorise

- 1. If you are satisfied with the invoice amount** click on the 'Approve – Requisitioner has Reviewed' button at the bottom.
- 2. You will need to add a comment** in the pop-up box to explain to the next authoriser why there is a difference in amount from the original order. I.e. delivery charge now included.
- 3. When your comment is complete** click 'Approve – Requisitioner has Reviewed'.

The invoice will now be sent in workflow to the authoriser for this subproject.

Once all authorisations have been completed the invoice will be ready for payment.

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Approve - Requisitioner has Review...

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Requisitioner: Invoice Approval - Approve - Requisitioner has Reviewed

Enter your comment

I forgot delivery charge

Approve - Requisitioner has Reviewed

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Requisitioner: Invoice Approval - Reject

Enter your comment

Invoice wrong amount - have contacted Supplier - awaiting a Credit note and new invoice

Reject

To Reject

- 4. If there is a problem with the invoice**, i.e. the wrong order number has been matched etc., then you can reject back to Finance using the 'Reject' button.
- 5. You will need to add a comment** to explain the rejection.

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How to cancel purchase orders and/or return goods

Cancelling a Purchase Order:

- i** If you wish to cancel a purchase order, or cancel the rest of a purchase order, you must:
1. Contact the supplier in writing to tell them that the order is cancelled. This is to ensure you don't receive the goods or services which are no longer required.
 2. Cancel the order in the finance system. This is to ensure that the supplier is not paid for goods and services that have not been received. This will also ensure that the funds are made available again in your budget.

Cancelling a partially receipted order

1. **Navigate to the 'Goods receipt' screen in the finance system, select the order line and tick the box in the 'Cancel the rest of the order' column.**

This sets the value to zero and ensures that the invoice would go out of tolerance if the supplier charges for these lines.

2. **If you want to part goods receipt your order,** complete your goods receipt first, then recall the purchase order by typing in the order number.
3. **Select the order line** and tick the box in the 'Cancel the rest of the order' column, then click 'save'. This will reduce the order amount to what you have goods receipted.
4. **You will be prompted to enter a reason code** from the drop down menu. Select the most appropriate reason.
5. **Press 'Save'** to commit your changes to the finance system.

If the supplier invoices for cancelled lines, the invoice will be 'out of tolerance' and you will get a task to approve or reject the additional cost.

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Qty. received	Unit price	Cancel the rest of the order	Reason code
0.00	1.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Not Delivered ▼

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✓ Success

Changes on order 8164033 have been saved

Cancelling an entire purchase order

To cancel an entire order please contact the [Finance Service Desk](#) with your purchase order details and they will delete the order from the finance system.

How to Return Goods:

i 'Goods Return' is used to update the finance system when you have returned goods to a supplier for which you have already registered a goods receipt. If you have received goods or services that subsequently prove to be sub-standard, the process below shows how the goods can be returned in the finance system. You will still need to advise the supplier separately.

1. **Navigate to 'Goods return'** via the 'Purchasing' tab.
2. **Recall** the purchase order number
3. **Under the order details section** enter the quantity being returned. If you are not expecting a replacement you need to tick the box and provide the reason code.

This will reduce the order quantity of the purchase order so that the order quantity is equal to the delivered quantity.

4. **If you wish to cancel the rest of the order** then you will need to go back to the 'Goods Receipt' screen and perform the actions as per Section 8.

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Home	Requisitions	Purchase orders
Expenses in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> Requisition Input <input type="checkbox"/> Enquiries	<input type="checkbox"/> Purchase order follow up <input type="checkbox"/> Goods receipt <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Goods return
Purchasing	Supplier information	

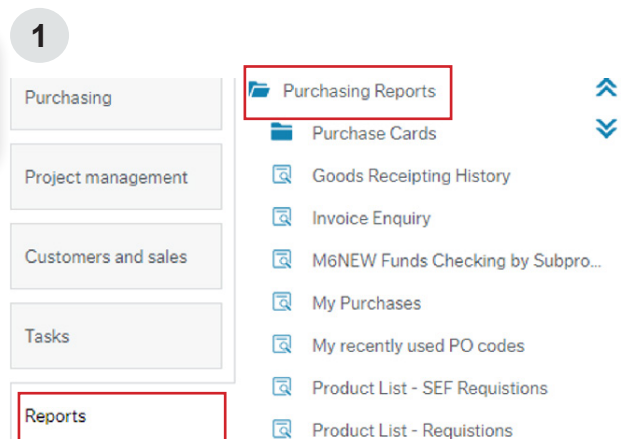
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Order details							
Order line	Product	Description	Order qty	Ordered amount	Previously received	Qty. returned	Unit price
1	PLM01	Replacement N2 Gauge	1.00	242.15	1.00	1.00	242.15
			1.00		1.00	1.00	

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How to run reports and enquiries

1. Click on 'Reports' and choose 'Purchasing reports' to see the various reports you can access.



Funds checking by subproject:

This allows you to check the available budget of a subproject before you start your requisition. Enter the subproject and search. In the '(Over)Under Budget column' you will see the balance (minus is overspent).

My Purchases:

This report will show a history of all the purchase orders you have raised, the goods receipting, and any invoices matched against them by supplier. Choose a supplier or order number to see the history.

Goods receipting history:

This will show you a history of all receipting entered against a purchase order number. Simply enter your order number and search. Amend the 'Delivery date' field if you need to search prior to the previous 90 days.

Invoice Enquiry:

This report will show you invoices matched against your purchase orders. Fill in as many of the selection criteria boxes as possible to speed up the report, and reduce the data. Once the report has run you will see the date of payment - if the invoice has been paid - or the date it is due to be paid if it is still outstanding. If you want to see the image of the invoice, click on a transaction number highlighted in blue.

My recently used PO codes:

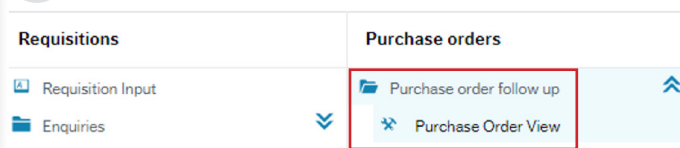
This report will show you a list of all your recent purchase orders, including the subproject and product codes used.

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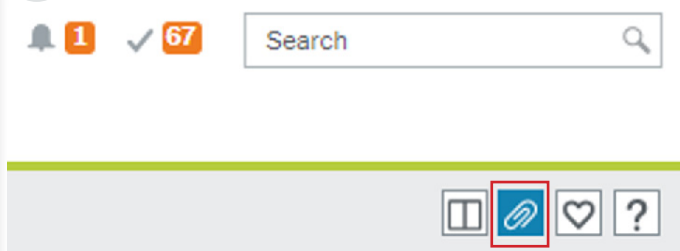
How to view a previous purchase order

1. Your purchase orders will be emailed to you as an original or a copy. If you need to view or print one again, navigate to the 'Purchasing' tab in the main menu and click 'Purchase Orders', 'Purchase order follow up' and 'Purchase Order view'.
2. Enter the purchase order number and tab out of the field to enable the purchase order details to load onto the screen. Click the highlighted paper-clip icon in top right corner.
3. A new screen will open with the PDF copy. Double click on it to view the purchase order.
4. You can then download or print as needed.

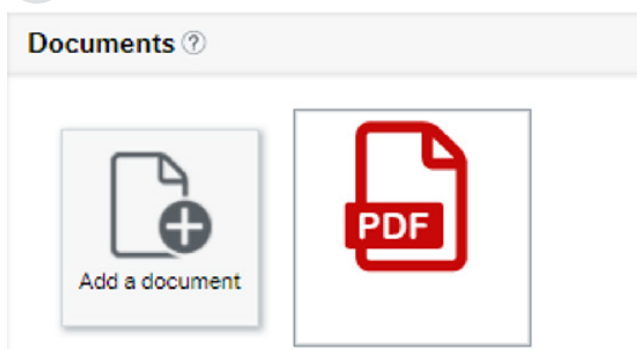
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How to process a credit note



All credit notes should be automatically sent to invoices@sussex.ac.uk by the supplier. Should you receive any credit notes directly, you should forward these immediately to the email above, including your name and subproject code in case there are any queries.

Any action that you will be required to take will come to you via task workflow within the finance system.

How to set up a new supplier

- 1:** Request login details to the supplier set-up system from the [Finance Service Desk](#).
- 2:** Enter the system and propose a new supplier. Watch the [video](#) for guidance.
- 3:** Finance will review the proposal and approve it if appropriate. You will get a system notification.
- 4:** Finance send an 'Invitation to Engage' to your supplier, asking them to submit bank details and answer a few questions about their organisation. You will get a notification from the system.
- 5:** When your supplier responds, Finance will review their information, and call them to independently to verify their bank details. Once they are verified, the supplier will move onto the finance system, and you can raise purchase orders and accept supplier invoices. You will receive a notification from the system.
- 6:** Before you propose a new supplier, you must check that there is not an existing supplier who can provide similar goods or services already set up in the finance system. You can check this via the finance system or the supplier management system. If the exact same supplier already exists in the supplier management system, this will be flagged to you as a duplication.
- 7: Additional tips for proposing a new supplier:**
 - If you are proposing a supplier as part of a Research project, please upload the project contract, collaboration agreement etc. in the 'documents' section.
 - Ensure your description of purchase confirms what you are buying in plain English.
 - Explain how value for money is achieved by using the new supplier.
 - Remember to fill out the risk section – what would happen if this supplier could no longer provide the goods or services?
 - Make sure you enter the correct email address for the supplier, otherwise your proposal will fail.