

HOW TO OBTAIN SURPLUS GOVERNMENT FIRE TRUCKS

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There are more than 400 fire and emergency services departments serving Navy, Marine Corps, Army, Air Force and Defense Logistics Agency installations worldwide. Annual fire apparatus acquisitions vary among federal agencies. From 1985 to 2003, Navy fire apparatus acquisitions averaged \$5-7 million annually for structural fire apparatus.

When new fire apparatus is placed in service, older trucks are transferred from front line service to reserve status. The oldest trucks, (usually in reserve status) are sent to the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service for disposal.

The Department of Defense (DOD) vehicle replacement criteria used by all military departments is based on the age and mileage expectancies. The criterion provides a systematic and uniform schedule of eligibility for replacement planning and is used when considering the replacement, overhaul or retention of a vehicle.

Life expectancy for Navy fighting vehicles ranges from seven years for Airfield Rescue Fire Fighting (ARFF) Twin Agent units and up to 15 years for aerial ladder trucks. Structural pumpers, brush trucks, and Telesquirt pumpers have a life expectancy of 12 years. Thousand gallon ARFF vehicles have an 8-year life expectancy, while the 3,000 gallon ARFF vehicle life expectancy is 12 years. The 6000 gallon ARFF vehicles placed in service by the Air Force and Navy in the early 1980's are being phased out of service and replaced by 3000 gallon vehicles.

The decision to replace, overhaul or retain fire-fighting vehicles depends on available procurement funds, new advances in technology, cost of overhaul, and local requirements. As a rule, DOD structural pumpers remain in the system an average of 18-20 years. ARFF vehicles have remained in service up to 25 years. Quite often, structural fire fighting vehicles available through the Surplus Personal Property program are 18-20 years old and have low mileage.

Many municipal and volunteer fire and emergency services departments obtain surplus government property through the Federal Surplus Personal Property Donation Programs.

Understanding the policies and procedures for disposal of government personal property, as well as the procedures for obtaining surplus property, will enhance the process. It will also reduce the amount of time required for obtaining surplus property.

Department of Defense (DOD) procedures require that property excess to the requirements of a military department be reported to the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service (DRMS). DRMS is a primary level field activity of the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA). The DRMS mission is to provide the Department of Defense (DoD) with services for the disposal of material no longer needed for national defense, comply with legislative and regulatory requirements, protect the public good from dangerous defense items, and to pursue maximum value for tax dollars. This mission includes responsibility for property reuse (including resale), hazardous property disposal, demilitarization, precious metals recovery and recycling program support.

In fiscal 2000, nearly \$4 billion worth of property was reutilized, transferred or donated. Property that is not reutilized, transferred or donated may be sold to the public as surplus. The National Sales Office sells large quantities of widely advertised, high-value property, such as aircraft parts, primarily through sealed bid.

Local sales are held at DMRS field offices, called Defense Reutilization and Marketing Offices (DRMOs), located on or near U.S. military installations worldwide

After this screening process, any surplus property may be made available to the public either through the federal surplus personal property donation program or DOD surplus equipment sales program. Pamphlets explaining the procedures for acquiring surplus equipment through the programs are available from:

Defense Reutilization & Marketing Service
National Sales Office
PO Box 5275 DDRC
2163 Airways Boulevard
Memphis, TN 38114-5210.

General Services Administration
Property Management Division (FBP)
Washington, DC 20406

Persons interested in acquiring surplus property may contact their State Agency for Surplus Property, for additional information. This office works as an agent of the General Services Administration in establishing eligibility and assisting state and local governments and other organizations in obtaining excess federal property through the donation program. Addresses and telephone numbers of State Agencies for Surplus Property are:

ALABAMA

ADECA Surplus Property Division
P O Box 210487
Montgomery, AL 36121-0487
Phone: 334-277-5866 Fax: 334-223-7320

ALASKA

State of Alaska, Dept. of Administration
Division of General Services Property
2400 Viking Drive
Anchorage, AK 99501
Phone: 907-279-0596 Fax: 907-278-4976

ARIZONA

Arizona State Surplus Property Mgmt. Office
1537 W. Jackson Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007
Phone: 602-542-5701 Fax: 602-379-4929

ARKANSAS

Arkansas State Agency for Surplus Property
8700 Remount Road
North Little Rock, AR 72118
Phone: 501-835-3111 Fax: 501-834-5240

CALIFORNIA

California Department of General Services
701 Burning Tree Road
Fullerton, CA 92633
714-449-5891

COLORADO

Colorado State Agency for Surplus Property Agency
4200 Garfield Street
Denver, CO 80216-6517
Phone: 303-370-2160 Fax: 303-320-1050

CONNECTICUT

Connecticut State Agency
165 Capital Avenue, 5th Floor
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-713-5159 Fax: 860-713-7476

DELAWARE

Delaware Surplus Services/Div. of
Purchasing
P O Box 299
Delaware City, DE 19706
Phone: 302-836-7640 ext. 226 Fax: 302-836-7298

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

District of Columbia State Agency
Department of Administration Services
2100 Adams Place, NE
Washington, DC 20018-3627
Phone: 202-576-6472 Fax: 202-576-7111

FLORIDA

Florida Dept. of Management Services
Bureau of Federal Property Assistance
4050 Esplanade Way, Bldg. 4040, Suite 360
Tallahassee, FL 32399
Phone: 850/488-4290 850/488-4904 (direct line)
Fax: 850-922-6194

GEORGIA

Georgia State Agency
Support Services Division
1050 Murphy Avenue, SW, Bldg. 12
Atlanta, GA 30310
Phone: 404-657-8542 Fax: 404-656-7236

HAWAII

Hawaii State Agency Surplus Property Office
729 Kakoi Street
Honolulu, HI 96819
Phone: 808-831-6757 Fax: 808-831-6786

IDAHO

State of Idaho Bureau of Federal Surplus Property
P O Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0070
Phone: 1-800-722-1629 Fax: 208-334-5320

ILLINOIS

IL Dept of Central Management Services
Federal Surplus Division
1924 South 10 -1/2 Street
Springfield, IL 62703
Phone: (217) 785-6903

INDIANA

State of Indiana, Department of Administration
Federal Surplus Property
2200 South Tibbs
Indianapolis, IN 46241
Phone: 317-260-4203 Fax: 317-260-4201

IOWA

Iowa Federal Surplus Property
Department of General Services
6921 Chaffee Road
Des Moines, IA 50315
Phone: 515-953-5747 Fax: 515-953-5767

KANSAS

Kansas Federal Surplus Property
3400 SE 10th Street
Topeka, KS 66607-2513
Phone: 785-296-2351 Fax: 785-296-4060

KENTUCKY

Division of Surplus Property
514 Barrett Avenue
Frankfort, KY 40601
Phone: 502-564-4836 Fax: 502-564-2215

LOUISIANA

Louisiana Federal Property
1635 Foss Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70802
Phone: 225-342-7860 Fax: 225-342-7863

MAINE

Maine State Agency Surplus Property Program
#95 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0095
Phone: 207-287-2923 Fax: 207-287-7861

MARYLAND

Maryland State Agency for Surplus Property
8037 Brock Bridge Road
P O Box 1039
Jessup, MD 20794
Phone: 410-540-4066 Fax: 410-799-2725

MASSACHUSETTS

Massachusetts State Agency Surplus Property
Operational Services Division
One Ashburton Place, Room 1017
Boston, MA 02108
Phone: 617-720-3146 Fax: 617-727-4527

MICHIGAN

Michigan State Agency for Surplus Property
3369 N. Martin Luther King Blvd.
P O Box 30026
Lansing, MI 48913
Phone: 517-335-9105 Fax: 517-335-9559

MINNESOTA

Minnesota Surplus Services
Department of Administration
5420 Highway 8
Arden Hills, MN 55112
Phone: 651-639-4023 Fax: 651-639-4026

MISSISSIPPI

Mississippi Office of Surplus Property
P O Box 5778
Jackson, MS 39288-5778
Phone: 601-939-2050 Fax: 601-939-4505

MISSOURI

Missouri State Agency for Surplus Property
117 N. Riverside
P O Drawer 1310
Jefferson City, MO 65102
Phone: 573-751-3415 Fax: 573-751-1264

MONTANA

Montana State Agency for Surplus Property
930 E. Lyndale
P O Box 200137
Helena, MT 59620
Phone: 406-495-6016 Fax: 406-495-6001

NEBRASKA

Nebraska State Agency for Federal Surplus Property
2700 W. Van Dorn
P O Box 94661
Lincoln, NE 68509
Phone: 402-471-2677 Fax: 402-471-2769

NEVADA

Nevada State Surplus Property Program
2250 Barnett Way
Reno, NV 89512-3807
Phone: 775-684-0174 Fax: 775-688-1503

NEW HAMPSHIRE

New Hampshire Federal Surplus Property Program
144 Clinton Street
Concord, NH 03301
Phone: 603-271-3239

NEW JERSEY

N.J. State Agency For Surplus Property
Division Of State Police
Troop C Building
3925 US Highway 1
Princeton, N.J. 08540-5790
Phone: 609-452-2601 x 5901/5902 Fax: 609-452-7243

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico State Agency for Surplus Property
1990 Siringo Road
Santa Fe, NM 87505
Phone: 505-476-1904 Fax: 505-476-1905

NEW YORK

New York State Agency
Bureau of Federal Property Assistance
Building 18 Suite 105
1220 Washington Avenue
Albany, NY 12226-1855
Phone: 518-457-1744 Fax: 518-457-5436
Email: Ronald.Ottman@ogs.state.ny.us

NORTH CAROLINA

North Carolina Federal Property Agency
1950 Garner Road
P O Box 26567
Raleigh, NC 27611
Phone: 919-733-3885 Fax: 919-733-3883

NORTH DAKOTA

North Dakota State Agency for Surplus Property
Igoe Industrial Park, Bldg. 12
P O Box 7293
Bismarck, ND 58507-7293
Phone: 701-328-9667 Fax: 701-328-9669

OHIO

State of Ohio Federal Surplus Property Program
4200 Surface Road
Columbus, OH 43228
Phone: 614-466-6585 Fax: 614-466-1584

OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma State Agency
Oklahoma Property Distribution
3100 N. Creston
Oklahoma City, OK 73111-4301
Phone: 405-425-2700 Fax: 405-425-2713

OREGON

Oregon State Agency
State of Oregon/Dep. of Admn. Service
Federal Surplus Property Program
1655 Salem industrial Drive NE
Salem, OR 97303-4238
Phone: 503-378-4711 Ext. 225 Fax: 503-378-8558

PENNSYLVANIA

Pennsylvania State Agency for Surplus Property
2221 Forster Street, Room G-49
P O Box 1365
Harrisburg, PA 17105-1365
Phone: 717-787-9724 Ext. 3205 Fax: 717-772-2491

RHODE ISLAND

Rhode Island State Agency
One Capitol Hill
Providence, RI 02908
Phone: 401-222-5801 Fax: 401-222-5798

SOUTH CAROLINA

South Carolina State Agency
Surplus Property Office
1441 Boston Avenue
West Columbia, SC 29170-2194
Phone: 803-737-2998 Fax: 803-896-6899

SOUTH DAKOTA

South Dakota Federal Property Agency
20 Colorado Avenue S.W.
Huron, SD 57350
Phone: 605-353-7150 Fax: 605-353-7164

TENNESSEE

Tennessee State Agency
Tennessee Department of General Services
6500 Centennial Blvd.
Nashville, TN 37243-0543
Phone: 615-350-3373 Fax: 615-350-3379

TEXAS

Texas State Agency
Surplus Property Program Director Texas
Building and Procurement Commission
Phone: 512-463-9709

UTAH

Utah State Agency for Surplus Property
447 West 13800 South
Draper, UT 84020
Phone: 801-619-7219 Fax: 801-619-7229

VERMONT

Vermont Surplus
50 Packard Rd. Suite 2
East Montpelier, VT 05651
Phone: 802-828-3394 Fax: 802-828-3396

VIRGINIA

Virginia Federal Surplus Office
1910 Darbytown Road
Richmond, VA 23231
Phone: 804-236-3665 Fax: 804-236-3663

WASHINGTON

Office of State Procurement
Surplus Programs
2301 C Street, SW
Auburn, WA 98001
Phone: 253-333-4907 Fax: 253-333-4915

WEST VIRGINIA

West Virginia State Agency for Surplus Property
2700 Charles Avenue
Dunbar, WV 25064
Phone: 304-766-2626 Fax: 304-766-2631

WISCONSIN

Wisconsin State Agency Division Federal Property
One Foundation Circle
Waunakee, WI 53597-8914
Phone: 608-849-2449 Fax: 608-849-2468

WYOMING

Wyoming Surplus Property
2045 Westland Road
Cheyenne, WY 82002-0060
Phone: 307-777-7901 FAX: 307-634-5710