UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI‘I AT MĀNOA
M8.102 Management of Non-Capital Theft Sensitive Assets

Note: This is a pilot program that will be evaluated for improvements at the start of each fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011.

I. POLICY STATEMENT

This procedure establishes a uniform method of identifying and tracking non-capital assets for the Manoa campus.

II. PURPOSE

The purpose of this procedure is to establish a consistent practice for the management and control of non-expendable personal property, specifically non-capital theft sensitive items hereinafter defined as “non-capital assets,” owned by or in the custody of the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa.

III. APPLICABILITY/SCOPE

The non-capital assets covered by this procedure are those that are no longer covered by APM A8.505 State Personal Property or APM A8.550 Capitalization, in accordance with Attachment A: UH System Administrative Procedures Memorandum No. 09-06 dated May 14, 2009.

IV. DEFINITIONS

A. Non-Capital Asset. Any tangible, non-expendable personal property which is not capitalized and:
   • has a useful life of more than one year;
   • has an acquisition cost of at least $1,500, but less than $5,000 per unit; and
   • is considered theft sensitive property.

B. Theft Sensitive Property. Theft sensitive property is characterized by a high risk for loss and shall include:
   • Microscopes, balances;
   • Televisions/monitors, audiovisual equipment, cameras;
   • Computers, projectors;
   • Works of art;
   • Other items determined by a program to have a high risk for loss at the discretion of the department head, dean/director, principal investigator and/or fiscal/administrative officer.

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C. Useful Life. Non-capital assets are grouped by category with the following assigned useful life:

- General purpose items to include personal/mini/workstation computers, monitors, general purpose cameras - 3 years useful life;
- IT items to include servers, mainframes - 6 years useful life;
- Specialized items to include specialized cameras, televisions, projectors, AV items, microscopes, balances - 10 years useful life.

For items not listed above, the Capital Asset Useful Life/Depreciation Schedule included in APM A8.554 should be used as a guide for determining useful life.

V. RESPONSIBILITIES

Department heads, deans/directors, principal investigators, or fiscal/administrative officers are designated as property custodians for non-capital assets purchased on accounts for which they are listed as the responsible authority. Property custodians have the responsibility for direct control, use, care, maintenance and safekeeping of all non-capital assets for their respective departments or units. Further, they shall maintain and control the physical locations of non-capital assets, assure the security of non-capital assets, and maintain account records to accurately track non-capital assets.

Basic custodial responsibilities include:
- Proper identification and location of all non-capital assets purchased for, or assigned to, their respective programs;
- Appropriate tracking of transfers, disposals, lost, damaged, or stolen non-capital assets in the eInventory System.

VI. PROCEDURES

A. Procurement of non-capital assets. In accordance with Attachment B (Memorandum from Karen Morimoto, Director of UH Property and Fund Management Office dated May 15, 2009, Non-Capital Assets), the following subcodes shall be used when procuring non-capital assets:

- 7709 – Equip & Mach - Non-Capital
- 7719 – Equip, Off – Non-Capital
- 7729 – Equip, Educ – Non-Capital
- 7739 – Equip, Sci – Non-Capital
- 7749 - Disaster, Content Replace - Non-Capital

B. Identification of non-capital assets. Fiscal/administrative officers shall request decals for new acquisitions of non-capital assets from the UH Property and Fund Management Office.
C. Location of non-capital assets. Property custodians shall conduct an annual physical inventory of non-capital assets to verify the location of non-capital assets. The inventory shall be conducted at the same time the University conducts its annual physical inventory for equipment and controlled property.

D. Record-keeping for non-capital assets. Fiscal/administrative officers shall use the elnventory System to log new non-capital assets, and to record transfers, disposals, lost, damaged or stolen non-capital assets. Records shall be maintained for the useful life of the item.

VII. REFERENCES

A. Attachment A: UH System Administrative Procedures Memorandum No. 09-06 dated May 14, 2009

B. Attachment B: Memorandum from Karen Morimoto, Director of UH Property and Fund Management Office dated May 15, 2009, Non-Capital Assets


Repealed July 2011
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please answer the following questions as thoroughly as possible for user’s reference:

1) What impact will this new or revised policy/procedure have on other UHM campus programs/departments/offices?

The UH Property and Fund Management Office announced in May 2009 that it would no longer manage non-capital assets. These assets were transferred to the eInventory system effective 7/1/09 for optional AO/FO management. The proposed UHM procedure requires UHM AO/FO’s to track non-capital assets via eInventory to ensure consistency and adequate control through the Manoa campus. Data entry work formerly performed by PFMO will be performed instead by UHM AO/FO’s or support staff. Requiring UHM AO/FO’s to use eInventory for this purpose will ensure that non-capital asset records can be transferred to the Kuali Financial System once it is implemented.

2) What steps were taken to ensure all appropriate constituents were consulted (who was consulted, what concerns were raised, how were these concerns addressed, etc.)?

Input was requested and received from UH AO/FO's through the VCAFO Talk Story meetings. The one-year pilot period will ensure adequate review of workload impacts and evaluation of any unanticipated impacts.

3) Does this policy/procedure have a financial impact? If so, how?

Not applicable.

4) Does this policy/procedure affect space (classroom, research, etc.) on campus? If so, how?

Not applicable.

5) Are there safety measures that need to be implemented prior to execution? If so, please specify. Who will be responsible to ensure safety standards?

Not applicable.

6) What steps will be taken to ensure that proper clarification and training is provided to the appropriate campus representatives?

The VCAFO Office of Finance and Accounting will provide clarification as requested. AO/FO’s have previously been trained in the use of the eInventory system; provision of any necessary additional training will be coordinated with PFMO.
7) What steps will be taken to ensure update and compliance of this policy?

The procedure will be reviewed one year after implementation. Information regarding workload impacts and any compliance issues will be obtained from AO/FO’s as part of the review process.

Policy Advisory Committee: Not applicable.
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES MEMORANDUM NO. 09-06

TO: University Administrators and Chancellors

FROM: Howard S. Todo
Vice President for Budget and Finance
Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: ELIMINATION OF NON-CAPITAL THEFT SENSITIVE CONTROLLED PROPERTY ASSET STATUS

After reviewing the positive and negative impact of tracking non-capital theft sensitive controlled property (CP) assets in the Fixed Assets System (FFX) module of FMIS, the University of Hawaii Business Process Council has recommended that the mandatory requirement to establish an asset record for non-capital theft sensitive CP assets be eliminated. Key components supporting this recommendation are as follows:

1. One of the primary reasons for centralized administration of asset records is to allow for accurate asset reporting for financial and extramural award purposes. The reporting requirements, however, do not apply to the general population of non-capital theft sensitive items.

2. Individual departments can tailor their programs to appropriately address their risk associated with non-capital theft sensitive property.

3. For internal control purposes, physical security, individual responsibility and custodial oversight are at the department level and are more effective than central administration that PFMO may provide.

4. There should be a substantial decrease in paperwork and processing time for departments relating to non-capital assets as documents previously submitted to the Property and Fund Management Office (PFMO) for action can now be handled internally by the departments (i.e., transfers and disposals).

5. There should be a substantial reduction in time required by departments to complete and submit to PFMO annual equipment inventory verifications since non-capital assets will not be included.
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6. Departments will no longer need to transfer non-capital assets accountable to an invalid SL account code (accounts created and purged from FMIS because they are no longer required for accounting purposes) to a valid SL account code in FFX since non-capital assets will not be tracked in FFX.

The following classification of assets shall be removed from the definition of CP as defined in APM A8.550, Capitalization:

3) theft sensitive personal property with a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost of at least $1,000, but less than $5,000 per unit. Theft sensitive property shall include:
   a. Fax machines
   b. Microscopes and balances
   c. Television sets, audiovisual recorders/players, cameras
   d. Computers, printers, monitors, scanners
   e. Works of art
   f. Other items determined by a program to be theft sensitive or have a high loss history.

The only mandatory asset records that must be established are for moveable equipment with a unit cost of $5,000 or greater and a useful life of more than one year, firearms/weapons regardless of cost, and Federal/agency owned property regardless of cost which is accountable to the University under provisions of an extramural award.

Individual departments are to exercise appropriate control over their non-capital purchases that no longer meet the revised CP guidelines. As with all University purchases, management and individual responsibility for care, custody and physical security will continue to apply to all non-capital equipment purchases so that proper stewardship of public, Federal and agency funds is supported.

Impact

1. Existing asset records of non-capital theft sensitive items. Since the centralized tracking of non-capital theft sensitive items is no longer mandatory, PFMO will discontinue administrative oversight of these assets. Applicable non-capital assets will be marked as “deleted” (status code D) in FFX. However, departments will continue to have access to their existing non-capital theft sensitive asset records in eInventory for viewing, updating, transferring and disposing if they choose to do so.

2. Annual inventory verification. The annual physical inventory verification that is coordinated by PFMO will not include the assets that no longer meet the revised controlled property definition beginning with the June 30, 2009 inventory.
3. **APMs.** Existing APMs have been updated to reflect the revised definition of CP. For both of the following APMs, the definition of CP will be revised. Non-capital theft sensitive items will no longer be considered CP.

   - APM A8.505, *State Personal Property*
   - APM A8.550, *Capitalization*

4. **eInventory.** ITS is working on modifications to eInventory to include basic functionality for departmental management of non-capital assets. The target completion date is June 30, 2009. Please note that tracking is non-mandatory and any tracking can be tailored accordingly.

5. **New acquisitions.** PFMO will no longer create non-capital theft sensitive asset records in FFX. If the individual campuses/departments elect to track any of these assets, they will be able to create asset records in eInventory when available. This process reflects the current Kuali Financial System (KFS) business process for non-capital assets.

6. **Asset decals.** For departments that elect to track non-capital assets using eInventory, decals for identification purposes can be obtained through PFMO. Decals issued by departments for non-capital assets will be both human and machine readable and will be printed on a white background.

7. **Transfers.** Form FMIS-74, *Equipment Transfer*, should be submitted to PFMO for processing transfers of equipment and controlled property assets administered by PFMO. As a reminder, transfers of building location, room/floor, other location and custodian name should continue to be updated by the departments in eInventory.

8. **Disposals.** Form FMIS-76, *Disposal Application*, should be submitted to PFMO for processing disposals of equipment and controlled property assets administered by PFMO.

9. **Subcodes.** New subcodes have been established for CP assets to be administratively monitored by PFMO.

   - **7759 Federal/agency owned property < $5K**
   - **7789 Firearms/weapons < $5K**

Departments should continue to code Federal/agency owned property and firearms/weapons ≥ $5,000.00 per unit to an already existing equipment subcode in the 77X0 subcode format as appropriate.

   - **7700 Equip, & Mach, Other**
   - **7710 Equip, Office**
   - **7720 Equip, Educational**
   - **7730 Equip, Scientific**
   - **7780 Motor Vehicle**
10. Processing by PFMO. Effective May 22, 2009, PFMO will no longer create, transfer or dispose of non-capital theft sensitive assets.

Should you have any questions, please call Karen Morimoto at 956-3359.
MEMORANDUM

To: Fiscal and Administrative Officers

From: Karen Morimoto  
Director

Subject: Non-Capital Assets

As referenced in the Administrative Procedures Memorandum No. 09-06 dated May 14, 2009, non-capital theft sensitive controlled property will no longer be administratively managed by the Property and Fund Management Office (PFMO) effective May 22, 2009. Additional clarification regarding non-capital property is being provided for your information.

Subcodes
Departments may continue to use the current controlled property subcodes which will be renamed as follows:
- 7709 – Equip & Mach – Non-Cap
- 7719 – Equip, Off – Non-Cap
- 7729 – Equip, Educ – Non-Cap
- 7739 – Equip, Sci – Non-Cap
- 7749 – Disaster, Content Replace – Non-Cap

Monthly Reports
The following Fixed Assets System (FFX) disposal reports for May 2009 will include the non-capital assets that will be disposed in the inventory system:
- THDR040D – Disposal Report by Fiscal Officer

The non-capital assets will be administratively disposed in FFX with the disposal method code of “OD” (Other Disposal).

New Reports
Fiscal Officers will receive the following reports via PageCenter:
- TH1CP002 – Report of non-capital assets disposed in FFX that will become active records in inventory.
- TBDU065N – Accounts Payable Extract (Non-Capital) produced weekly on Fridays will display transactions such as purchase order, contract and DCS payments that are coded to non-capital equipment subcodes
• THDU070N – Miscellaneous Transactions (Non-Capital) produced weekly on Fridays will display other financial transactions such as RCUH payments, journal vouchers, p-cards and departmental deposits that are coded to non-capital equipment subcodes.

The TBDU065N and the THDU070N reports can be used by the field to establish non-capital assets in eInventory (projected effective date June 30, 2009) if they choose to do so.

Decals
Decals for new acquisitions of non-capital assets are available from PFMO. Please contact Marita Tom at 956-8735 to request an initial supply of decals.

Should you have any questions, please call me at 956-3359.