



Department of Shared Administrative Services

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Subject: Revised Delegated General Procurement Authority

The Arkansas Office of State Procurement (OSP) is pleased to announce revisions to the Delegated General Procurement Authority, effective **July 1, 2026**, through **June 30, 2027**.

Under the revised Delegated General Procurement Authority designated procurement officials (DPOs) may apply to obtain authority to perform procurement activities up to a total projected cost of \$75,000. OSP will consider a department's requests to independently perform solicitations with a total projected cost of \$75,000 on a case-by-case basis.

Delegation Request Process

Beginning **July 1, 2026**, to obtain general delegated authority to perform procurement activities below \$75,000 departments must submit a **Delegation Order Request Form** along with the appropriate **training certificates** to **osp.review@arkansas.gov**. Forms will be available at: **Delegation Orders - Arkansas Department of Shared Administrative Services**.

Required Certificates by Authority Type

To obtain delegation authority for specific procurement activities with a total projected cost below \$75,000, each DPO must attach the corresponding training completion certificate with their Delegation Order Request Form submissions:

- Procurement Fundamentals—The Procurement Process, Small Orders, & Competitive Bidding

Training modules can be accessed via the OSP Training page and by logging into your **MyARLearning** account.

Additional Requirements for High-Value Solicitations

For delegated authority to independently perform a solicitation exceeding a total projected cost of \$75,000, departments may submit a **Delegation Justification Form**. These requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis and require the DPO to complete an additional Advanced Procurement course. This form will also be available at: **Delegation Orders - Arkansas Department of Shared Administrative Services**

Solicitations over the \$75,000 total projected cost amount that have received Purchase Requisition Approval may continue under the Fiscal Year 2026 Delegated General Procurement Authority and do not need delegation approval.

Advance Notification Requirement

Per **Act 782 of 2025**, any state agency (excluding institutions of higher education) must notify OSP **at least seven (7) calendar days** prior to issuing an Invitation for Bids (IFB) or Request for Proposals (RFP), regardless of the amount. Notifications should be sent to: **osp.review@arkansas.gov**.

Additional Notes

Delegation authority does not prevent DPOs from requesting support from the Office of State Procurement.

We are here to assist agencies and streamline the procurement process. Please request a meeting with OSP to discuss your agencies' Fiscal Year 2027 procurement needs at osp.review@arkansas.gov.

In addition, OSP will continue to host regular meetings for designated procurement officials which focus on agency questions, bid collaboration opportunities, and sharing of best practices to improve procurement outcomes across the state. Those listed on department Delegation Request Forms will be sent a link to access these meetings. If you need to update your delegated procurement official, please let us know.