



## ***POLICY***

### **Purchasing Equipment From Surplus Supply**

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**Purpose:** Surplus property normally cannot be purchased on grants and contracts in accordance with OMB Circular A-122, A-110, (prior to 12/26/14), FAR, and 2 C.F.R. Uniform Administrative Requirements for Federal Awards (effective 12/26/14). The reason is that Boyce Thompson Institute for Plant Research (BTI) is generally unable to verify what funding source originally purchased the property.

**Policy:**

1. It is the policy of the BTI that surplus BTI property cannot be purchased on federally-sponsored grants and contracts in compliance with federal regulations since the property that was originally purchased with federal funds cannot be re-purchased with federal funds.
2. The exception is when the surplus property did not come from BTI. Only scientific equipment can be purchased, not general-purpose desks and other items.