



Program Buyer's Guide

- The Javits-Wagner-O'Day (JWOD) Program is a unique Federal procurement program that generates employment and training opportunities for people who are blind or have other severe disabilities. The JWOD Program is a mandatory source of supply (FAR 8.7 and 41 U.S.C. 46-48c).
- The Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled is an independent Federal agency responsible for administering the JWOD Program. National Industries for the Blind (NIB) and NISH (serving people with a wide range of disabilities) assist participating nonprofit agencies with contract, marketing and other technical assistance.

What Products and Services Are Available?

- Products include office and general supplies; cleaners, hardware, paints and other industrial items; clothing and textiles; medical/surgical items and more.
- Services include administrative services (temporary or full-time), janitorial/custodial, grounds maintenance, switchboard or mailroom operation, warehousing and distribution, food services, laundry services and much more. For details, visit www.jwod.gov or, contact us for a JWOD print catalog.

How Do I Buy JWOD?

There are many methods and sources for purchasing JWOD Program supplies. It's your choice:

- By Internet:
 - JWOD Direct: www.jwod.com
 - GSA *Advantage!* at www.gsaadvantage.gov or the DOD EMALL at <http://dodemall.dla.mil/>
- By Phone or Fax:
 - JWOD Supply Schedule: (877) GET-JWOD or fax (877) FAX-JWOD
 - GSA Customer Supply Center: (800) 525-8027 or fax (800) 856-7057
- Through Authorized Commercial Distributors:
 - Visit www.jwod.gov for a list of the JWOD Program's authorized distributors
- At Selected Military Installations:
 - Base Supply Centers or SERVMARTs

JWOD Services are handled on a location-specific basis with each contracting office or customer. Please call the Committee staff, NIB or NISH or visit the web sites below for more information about service capabilities.

Are There Any Exceptions to the Requirement to Buy JWOD?

No. Recent procurement reform measures did **not** create any exceptions to the requirement to buy JWOD. Neither "micropurchasing" authority nor the use of Government credit cards waives, supersedes or bypasses the JWOD requirement.

While customers are encouraged to comparison shop among the above JWOD distributors for the best value, they cannot substitute commercial items for JWOD items, because JWOD products are mandatory purchases at any dollar amount. If a Federal employee identifies a JWOD product with a price that seems exceptionally high, they are asked to bring it to the attention of the Committee staff at the numbers below for review.

Who Do I Contact for More Information?

- Committee staff: (703) 603-7743, fax (703) 603-0655 or web site www.jwod.gov
- National Industries for the Blind (NIB): (703) 998-0770, fax (703) 998-8268 or web site www.nib.org
- NISH: (703) 560-6800, fax (703) 849-8916 or web site www.nish.org

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