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Mandatory Electronic Invoicing

VA published the final rule requiring vendors to submit invoices electronically to the Financial Services Center (FSC) in the November 27, 2012 Federal Register. The rule became effective December 27, 2012. The rule includes a new contract clause to be inserted in all solicitations and contracts by the contracting officer. Vendors can comply with the rule by using either of the two methods below:

1. The FSC uses a third-party contractor, OB10, to transition vendors from paper to electronic invoice submission. For information on OB10 electronic invoicing set-up, vendors should call 877-752-0900, or email USClientServices@ob10.com.
2. A system that conforms to the X12 electronic data interchange (EDI) format established by the Accredited Standards Center. For FSC e-Invoicing information, please call 877-353-9791 or email vafscshd@va.gov.

FSC and VA's Office of Acquisition, Logistics and Construction (OALC) will assist existing commercial vendors in migrating to the electronic process. Until the transition to electronic format is complete, FSC will continue to process paper invoices for commercial vendors.

The FSC's electronic invoicing system provides a variety of flexible solutions for all vendor types, including small businesses, and does not require any vendor transaction fees. More information on the FSC electronic invoicing process can be found at <http://www.fsc.va.gov/einvoice.asp>.