



# EQUITABLE SHARING WIRE

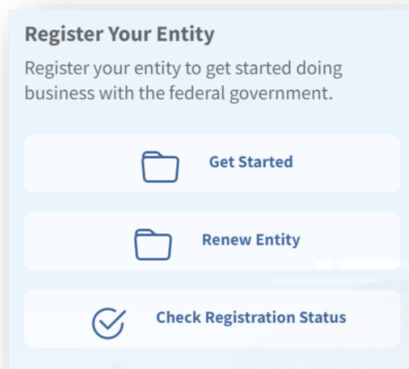
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## System for Award Management Registration for Vendor Purchases with Equitable Sharing Funds

When procuring goods or services from a vendor using equitable sharing funds, state and local law enforcement agencies participating in the Department of Justice and the Department of the Treasury Equitable Sharing Programs must verify that vendors are registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) and are in good standing. A vendor in good standing means the vendor is not suspended or debarred from receiving federal funds. This requirement applies to all qualifying purchases. A qualifying purchase is one single payment or multiple payments to a vendor that exceeds \$25,000 annually.



This requirement is an update to the Money Laundering and Asset Recovery Section's previously issued *Equitable Sharing Wire* guidance dated January 28, 2020, which only required a status check on SAM.gov to ensure that a vendor is in good standing. Agencies now must ensure that a vendor is both registered *and* in good standing by searching the vendor on SAM.gov before any procurement action can be executed. If a vendor does not appear in SAM, an agency may not execute qualifying purchases for goods or services from that vendor.



Vendor registration is easy if your selected vendor is not currently a member on SAM.gov. Vendor enrollment is free and takes just minutes to register. Vendors must renew their registration annually to maintain their status on SAM.gov. Vendors should visit the Frequently Asked Questions page found on the SAM website for helpful information to assist with this process.

### Key Contacts

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### Websites

**Department of Justice Equitable Sharing Program**  
[www.justice.gov/criminal-mlars/equitable-sharing-program](http://www.justice.gov/criminal-mlars/equitable-sharing-program)

### Treasury Executive Office for Asset Forfeiture

[www.treasury.gov/about/organizational-structure/offices/Pages/The-Executive-Office-for-Asset-Forfeiture.aspx](http://www.treasury.gov/about/organizational-structure/offices/Pages/The-Executive-Office-for-Asset-Forfeiture.aspx)