



DLA Disposition Services

Disposing of excess property

Disposition Services disposes of excess property received from the military services. The inventory changes daily and includes thousands of items: from air conditioners to automobiles, clothing to computers, and much more.

Property is first offered for reuse within the Department of Defense, transfer to other federal agencies, or donation to state and local governments and other qualified organizations.

Property not reutilized, transferred or donated may be sold to the public as surplus.

Global support for the U.S. military

Disposition Services operate more than 90 field offices, located at or near U.S. military installations

in about 41 states, two U.S. Trust Territories (Guam and Puerto Rico) and 16 foreign countries (Europe and Asia, including the Pacific region) as well as the Middle East and Southwest Asia. Disposition Services serves alongside the Warfighters, working from field offices in Afghanistan, Iraq and Kuwait with

Disposition Services teams deploying out to combat units' forward operating bases. The work force also services additional turn-in sites as needed.

Each workday, DoD activities around the world turn in thousands of items of excess equipment to Disposition Services. The organization's global mission includes providing disposal support in contingency operations in other countries as required.

Disposition Services has a worldwide work force of about 1,500 civilians and a few active duty military, and a key group of reservists.

Reutilization means big savings

In fiscal year 2009, \$2.2 billion worth of property was reutilized, transferred or donated. Every dollar's worth of property reutilized is a tax dollar saved.

The reutilization program is an excellent source of

supply for both mission-essential and support items.

Almost any major end item or repair part may be found at Disposition Services at one time or another and it's free to DoD units, although some accountable officers may impose a charge to their end users. Disposition Services also supports the State Department's Humanitarian Assistance and Foreign Military Sales programs.

Online

Property available for reutilization, transfer, donation and sale is displayed on the Internet.

The Disposition Services web site includes detailed information such as the property's condition and location, sales catalogs, sales schedules, successful bidder's lists and more.

Surplus Property Sales

Disposition Services has a partnership with a firm to sell DoD surplus property following the reutilization, transfer and donation cycle. Disposition Services audits the transactions to ensure compliance with regulations.

The company provides maximum use of the Internet for visibility of assets offered by them. While most surplus property is being sold through that contractor there are some exceptions, such as demil-required property or

QUICK FACTS:

- **Employees: Over 1,500**
- **Reutilization: Over \$2.2 billion annually**
- **Locations: more than 90 field offices**

usable property sold by Disposition Services in Europe and Asia. Property sold includes machine tools, hardware, electrical and electronics, material handling equipment, aircraft parts, vehicles, clothing and textiles, medical items, furniture and more.

The Demilitarization Program

This program ensures material with inherently military characteristics is rendered useless for its intended purpose prior to or as a condition of sale, turning offensive and defensive battlefield equipment into harmless scrap.

Disposing of hazardous property

Disposition Services manages the disposal of hazardous property, including hazardous material and hazardous waste, for all DoD activities. Hazardous property includes petroleum products, pesticides and industrial waste.

Disposition Services first offers the property for reuse; what is not reused is then offered for sale through commercial disposal contracts. This maximizes the use of each item and minimizes the environmental risk and cost associated with disposal.

Tightly controlled disposal actions ensure hazardous property is handled, transported and disposed of in an environmentally acceptable manner.

Only firms demonstrating superior qualifications and past performance are awarded contracts.

Resource Recovery and Recycling Program

This program conserves natural resources, reduces waste products and returns revenue to the military services.

The RRR program encourages DoD activities to identify and segregate marketable commodities of

recyclable materials.

Precious Metals Recovery

Often Disposition Services receives property, such as electronic parts, that contains gold, silver or platinum and platinum family metals. Disposition Services contracts for the recovery of these precious metals, significantly reducing DoD's need to purchase them.

