

### **Purchasing Requirement for US and Kentucky Flags be Manufactured in the U.S.**

Effective March, 2009 the Kentucky Legislature amended KRS 2.030 and 2.040 to require all US or Kentucky state flags purchased by public institutions to be manufactured in the United States.

This applies only to US and Kentucky state flags, but is not limited to size or type (e.g. small decorative US or Kentucky state flags are included). It does not apply to non-US or Kentucky decorative flags, banners, foreign flags, etc.

Audit reports performed by the Purchasing Division confirm the largest suppliers of flags to University departments are Colonel Walker Flags Inc. and Oates Flag Company. Both companies confirm all their US and Kentucky flags are manufactured in the U.S. Other companies can provide US and Kentucky flags that are manufactured in the US if requested when ordering.

If departments order US or Kentucky flags from either of the above companies, the requirement is automatically fulfilled. When ordering from other companies, departments are to confirm with the vendor that the US or Kentucky flag(s) being purchased are manufactured in the US. Departments can purchase flags on the departmental procurement card.

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