# 21.99.04.E1 Disposition of Abandoned and Unclaimed Personal Property

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Supplements System Regulation 21.99.04

### **Rule Summary**

This rule provides Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station (TEES) departments with the guidelines for the disposition of any abandoned or unclaimed personal property. This rule is required by The Texas A&M University System Regulation 21.99.04, Disposition of Abandoned and Unclaimed Personal Property.

### **Procedures and Responsibilities**

- Abandoned or unclaimed property coming into the possession of a TEES department must be reported to the appropriate Accountable Property Officer (APO) (department head) or designee.
  - 1.1 Within a reasonable amount of time, the APO or designee must attempt to notify the known owner through an appropriate form of communication (mail, telephone, or email).
  - 1.2 The property must be released to the owner upon provision of proper identification and proof of ownership, except when the property is being held as evidence in a pending criminal case.
  - 1.3 In the event the property owner is unknown, the APO or designee should attempt to identify the property owner through an appropriate form of public communication determined by the department.
- 2. After 90 days of holding the abandoned and unclaimed property, TEES Surplus Property Standard Procedures will be followed.

# Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements

<u>Texas Education Code, § 51.213 Abandoned Personal Property</u>
<u>System Regulation 21.99.04, Disposition of Abandoned and Unclaimed Personal Property</u>



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