

Government Procurement Card

Information on the procedures and administration of the Government Procurement Card (GPC) in the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP).

Background Information

The GPC is a purchasing card, not a credit card.

It is provided through a framework agreement between Government Procurement Services (the national procurement partner for UK Public Services) and six card issuers. J.P. Morgan is the card issuer for DWP.

GPC is an efficient solution specifically for low risk; low value purchases and enables government to buy from particular suppliers, including small and medium sized enterprises (SME's).

GPC Key Benefits:

What are the benefits of GPC?

- Access to data to help monitor spend and budgets more effectively ;
- Reducing the number of invoices. Card transactions are consolidated and paid centrally, with no risk of interest charges;
- Saves money and delivers efficient processes;
- Electronic cardholder statements, supporting sustainability by reducing paper and resultant waste.

What are the benefits of GPC to SME's?

- Prompt payments in line with Government initiatives;
- Improved cash flow;
- Reduces bad debt and late payments;
- Reduced administrative costs.

GPC Transparency

In support of the Government's Transparency agenda, DWP are publishing details of all GPC transactions of £500 and over. The data published is in csv format, which means you will need to expand the columns to view the data in full and includes the following headings:

- transaction posting date;
- supplier name;
- transaction amount; and
- comments.

Data is published monthly, 2 months in arrears

Useful Links

www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/

www.data.gov.uk