SPARC Non Bar-coded Excess Request User Guide

For use with non bar-coded property

Property Management Office
Log into the Stanford Property Administration Resource Center web site by simply typing SPARC into the address bar of your Stanford network computer. If you have multiple authorities for the site, you will find them listed in tabs on the right below the banner at the top of the screen.

If this is the first time you have ever logged onto this application, there will be a one-page instructional introduction. Please read the information, it will provide you with some basic procedural rules.

Once you select the activity you desire (in this case, NC Excess is the only one) the available actions will show in the navigation column on the right side of the screen.

To create a new excess request, click on the link “Create New Non-Cap Excess Request”
If this is the first request you have made, the fields will all be blank. Subsequent times you log on, the Contact Information and Collection Information fields will be populated with the same information as the last request you created, and can be updated as desired.

Fields marked with an asterisk are required. The primary contact and backup contact names must be different. The primary contact person will receive all email notifications (successful submission of request, scheduled date when assigned, and completion, plus any additional notifications pertaining to the request). The backup contact will receive only the notification of when the request is scheduled for collection.

The PTA requested is for potential proceeds from the sale. Note: This account will not be billed for any services. If a labor or PSSI charge is involved, the PTA you provide on those separate work orders will be charged for services rendered by those organizations.
For contact names, the SUNet ID is required, and each of these name fields is equipped with a lookup tool (the magnifying glass on the right side of the name line) which will link to the StanfordWho directory. Type in the last name of the person desired and click on the magnifying glass. The SUNet ID will be at the bottom of the directory listing. (If there is more than one, select the first one listed.)

Once you enter the SUNet ID, click on AUTOFILL and the contact information will populate.

NOTE: If the person has marked their information in the directory as private view only, the autopopulate feature will not work, please manually type in the information in that case, or copy/paste the data into the appropriate fields. More information on this feature is available by clicking on the [?] next to the AUTOFILL operator.
Next, enter the department and location from which the items are to be picked up. Department names are based on the org code. As you enter each letter of an org code, a list will appear of departments that match the string being entered, and will continue to narrow as each letter is entered.
Once the department is entered correctly, enter the location. You must know the Quad-Building-Floor-Room of the location as it appears in the iSpace inventory. This is necessary to provide consistency and avoid miscommunication leading to delays. If you do not know the official designation of your location you can look it up on the Stanford Basemap online, or contact PMO for assistance.


Please enter the earliest pickup date for which the items will be available. The application defaults to the following day, but if for some reason you do not want the items collected until after a specific date, change that using the calendar function.

Next, enter the PTA to which you would want any proceeds to be deposited. Currently, only sales exceeding $1,000 per item generate proceeds for departments, but that may change in the future as enhancements are made for the system, at which point a percentage of all proceeds may be allocated back to departments. It is recommended that you use a departmental operating budget account as a default PTA.

If you have made arrangements with the Labor Shop or PSSI for the disposal or removal of your items, please enter the PSSI customer funded request numbers or the ELS SR number in the appropriate field(s). Both entities require PMO approval of this form before the work can be performed or the items accepted for disposal.
Now you can start entering the items to be collected. Enter one line for each specific type of item (computers, laptops, printers, faxes, chairs, spectrophotometers, etc). There is a maximum of 20 items per line, and a total of 100 items per request. Cables, cords, mice and keyboards can be placed in a box and listed as a single line item.

The more granularity you provide for description, the better. For example, manufacturer is helpful, or type of chair, or size of table or bookcase – this helps us understand the time and labor required for the pickup, and helps quickly identify the items at point of collection. While requests will not be rejected for lack of specifics, they may be returned for adjustment if unlike items are mixed on one line.

Once you enter the quantity, please use the pull-down menu to select the appropriate category. Please note that furniture follows a different pathway than other equipment and supplies, so the two cannot be combined on a single request, and the application will prevent this.

Once you have entered the quantity, category and description, click ADD.
When you click ADD, a new section is created showing the items you have entered for the excess request. You may now save the request for later completion, revoke the request (to cancel it altogether) continue to add additional items, or if complete, click review prior to submit to continue with the submission of the request.
Once you have added all the items for disposal on your request, review it for accuracy. You can change quantities or categories, descriptions, or remove entire lines as needed. To remove a line, simply check the box to the left of the line to be deleted, and click REMOVE SELECTED.

If the request is now complete and you wish to continue with the submission, click REVIEW PRIOR TO SUBMIT at the bottom right.

NOTE: There is still one more step!
You can now review the completed request to ensure all information is correct.

This is also where you can add notes for PMO – such as to call ahead to gain access to the room, provide more specific location or other information necessary to ensure the collection takes place efficiently.

To make changes now, click on EDIT REQUEST. Once satisfied that you have completed the request as desired, click SUBMIT. The request will now route to PMO for approval and scheduling, and you will see that you have made a successful request:
THE EXCESS LABEL

The final step for preparing your items for collection is to affix the Excess label to the items. Each item (or box of miscellaneous small items) must have the label affixed to it, and the request number written in. Please use a black marker to write in the Excess Request number.

The labels are 2’ x 4’ and bright orange, designed to be visible to the collection crew at a glance when entering a location. Please make sure they are facing forward.

The label is self-adhesive and easily removed, so as not to damage the surface of the items to which it is affixed. It also identifies the item as Stanford Property – excess items are NOT available for students or staff to take.

Failure to label the excess items may result in the items being left behind. The request may be rescheduled, or it may be terminated entirely by PMO. The volume of excess requests makes the labeling very important, please ensure you have an adequate supply on hand prior to generating your requests.

Labels can be ordered from PMO free of charge using the tagging supplies order form online at:

ADDITIONAL FEATURES

Saved Drafts and Pending Requests – The DASHBOARD

If you have saved changes to a request but not yet submitted it, it will be saved on your dashboard under a section for MY DRAFTS. To continue working on it, simply click on the request number, and it will open so you can continue working on it.

Pending requests that have not yet been scheduled by PMO can still be retrieved and edited (add items, delete items, contact info, etc) by clicking on the Edit link to the right of the request information. Once a request is scheduled, this function disappears.

As you continue using the application, it will store your completed requests, and provide you with data on the total number of requests created, items excessed, turnaround time between submission and collection, and even the most frequent category of items you have excessed.

Any request can be viewed by clicking on the request number. There you can find information regarding when it was scheduled or completed, or what items were involved.
The email will list the request information, including request ID number, the contacts, location and items submitted for collection. It will also include any notes you have added to the request.

Likewise, when PMO schedules the request for pickup, an email notification will be sent to both the Primary and Backup Contacts indicating the date scheduled:

Contact PMO immediately if there are significant conflicts with the date. We cannot provide exact times. Please ensure that one or both of the contacts will be available, especially if there are access issues with the location.
WORKGROUP MANAGER

This application may be made available to staff beyond the DPA. If you wish to have additional persons given access, please contact your Property Service Representative (PSR) in the Property Management Office, and such access will be granted. Access will be managed centrally through the Workgroup Manager, which is similar to the Authority Manager.

The Workgroup Manager will also be used for granting access to future applications developed and launched in the new SPARC system. Only applications for which authority has been granted will appear on the dashboard for each user.