

**University of West Florida Regulations****UWF/REG-6.005 Statement of Intent**

In order to meet the University's mission, it is the intent of the Office of Procurement and Contracts to acquire quality goods and services within reasonable or required time frames, while promoting fair and open competition in the public procurement process. Responsible procurement officials shall be protected from improper pressures of external political or business interests. The process shall reduce the appearance and opportunity for favoritism, ensure that contracts are awarded equitably and economically, and establish effective management oversight in the acquisition of commodities and contractual services, in order to preserve the integrity of public procurement and contracting. The opportunity to bid on University contracts is a privilege, not a right.

Specific Authority 1001.74(4), 1010.04(2) FS. Law Implemented 1001.74(5) FS. History--New 7-1-03. Formerly 6C6-6.005. Converted to Regulation UWF/REG 6.005- 7/21/05. Amended 1/5/07, 09/30/15.