

NOTICE FROM GSA AUTOMOTIVE

Important Announcements

GSA Automotive has several important announcements to help you, our customers, with your 2005 vehicle acquisitions.

I. 2005 Model Year Vehicle Awards

The 2005 Model Year vehicle contracts for sedans and light trucks have been awarded to DaimlerChrysler, Ford Motor Company and General Motors.

II. New Feature on AutoChoice

AutoChoice, GSA Automotive's online ordering system has a new feature. This feature checks the compatibility of selected vehicle options for light vehicles for each vendor. AutoChoice will now inform the customer if a selected option is: 1) Included in a package which contains additional options, 2) Excluded because the option is incompatible with other selected options, or 3) Requires the selection of additional options to be ordered. The customer will be required to resolve any optional equipment conflicts to make the selected vehicles "buildable" and therefore able to be ordered. This new feature will ensure that a vehicle is buildable before allowing a customer to add the vehicle to the Garage.

III. Summer Program (Obligated Funds):Garaged Cars

If during the summer you placed orders in the AutoChoice Garage for obligated funds, you **must** review and edit those orders, using the 2005 model year prices and options, then submit the orders for placement against your selected contractor. Failure to edit and resubmit will result in these orders not being processed.

IV. Ambulance and Cab and Chassis (Body Trucks) Awards

GSA Automotive would like to announce that the 2005 contracts for Ambulances and Cab and Chassis (Body Trucks) with aftermarket applications will be awarded in Mid-November.

V. 2005 Federal Vehicle Standards Revisions

There have been many MAJOR CHANGES made to the 2005 Federal Vehicle Standards. Please review the 2005 Federal Vehicle Standards online for all up-to-date information and revisions, www.gsa.gov/vehiclestandards. All changes to the 2005 Federal Vehicle Standards are reflected in AutoChoice www.AutoChoice.gsa.gov.

VI. Paper Requisitions REMINDER

As of October 1, 2004 (FY05) GSA Automotive is no longer accepting paper requisitions such as the Motor Vehicle Requisition GSA Form 1781 and Military Interdepartmental Purchase Request (MIPR) DD Form 448 for any vehicle that can be ordered using AutoChoice or an alternate electronic method.

If you have any questions or require assistance, please call GSA Automotive's Customer CARE, Marketing and Systems Division at (703) 308-CARS (2277).