

# 14-3. Prohibited Transactions

The following list identifies supplies and services that are prohibited from purchase with the GPC.

- a. Aircraft fuel and oil. The Air card is the appropriate procurement method.
- b. Auto Insurance for Government-owned vehicles.
- c. Bail and Bond Payments.
- d. Betting, casino gaming chips, and off-track betting.
- e. Cash advances, including money orders and travelers' checks.
- f. Court costs, alimony, and child support.
- g. Cyber Security Prohibitions. IOD creates DM cases for all transactions with these company names. These prohibitions are for the purposes of public safety, security of Government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes.

Table 14-1 - Cyber Security Prohibitions Summary

<b>Prohibition</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Also Prohibited</b>
Covered Article	Kaspersky Lab	Successor entities
Telecommunications Equipment	Huawei Technologies Co. ZTE Corp.	Subsidiaries or Affiliates
Video surveillance and Telecommunications Equipment	Hytera Communications Corp. Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Co. Dahua Technology Co.	Subsidiaries or Affiliates

- h. **Dating and escort services.**
- i. **Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) settlements.**
- j. **Fines.** Use of the GPC to settle a commercial or governmental fine is generally prohibited.
- k. **Foreign currency.**
- l. **Gift Certificates and Gift Cards.** Buying gift certificates and cards is generally prohibited. Exception: Gift certificates and gift cards are considered to be cash advances and must not be purchased with the GPC, even to obtain items from merchants that do not accept the GPC. As with cash and near-cash, gift certificates and gift cards are prohibited because they are easily misappropriated and the award of gift certificates or gift cards requires the submission of 1099 reports in accordance with IRS regulations. The Department is required to file a form 1099-MISC for

payments to individuals totaling more than \$600 in a tax year.

m. **Kaspersky Lab.** Prohibits the use of hardware, software, and services of Kaspersky Lab and its related entities by the Federal Government.

n. **Military personnel or civilian employee purchases** (e.g., when Government employees are acting as vendors).

o. **Personal use Purchases.**

p. **Pharmaceuticals.** Pharmaceuticals must be purchased through the DLA supply system.

q. **Repair of leased GSA vehicles.** The fleet card is the appropriate method for these repairs.

r. **Salaries and Wages.**

s. **Savings bonds.**

t. **Taxes** (e.g., personal taxes).

u. **Telecommunication Systems** (e.g., the Federal Telecommunications System or DSN system).

v. **Travel Related Expenses, Advances, or Claims.** Use of the GPC to purchase travel or travel related expenses is prohibited in accordance with the DPC 20 Dec 2018 memorandum titled "Prohibition on Use of Government Purchase Card for Payment of Travel Related Expenses." Only the travel card is to be used for individual official travel-related expenses. All travel-related expenses (e.g., metro, taxi, bus fares, EZ Pass, automated toll tools, parking fees) are processed in accordance with the Joint Travel Regulations (JTR) Chapter 2, Part L. The JTR provides examples with formulas (e.g., ordinary travel miles to permanent duty station, miles to other sites, cost of fares) to determine whether the Government is responsible for the travel expense.

w. **Video Surveillance Cameras.** Use of the GPC to purchase video surveillance cameras is prohibited in the DPC 15 August 2018 memorandum titled "Government-Wide Commercial Purchase Card Prohibited Purchases."

x. **Wire transfers.**

**Parent topic:** [Chapter 14 - Prohibited and Restricted Purchases](#)