

## How Do I Buy...

### *Two-Way Radios*

#### **Buyer(s) Contact Information:**

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#### **Current State Contract Vendors:**

There are non-mandatory VA\_state contracts available for radios at [Cobblestone Systems](#):

#### **Description:**

The purchase of all two-way radios & telecommunications equipment requires approval from [Communications Network Services](#). Telecommunications is a very broad term for a method of communication between objects. Communication may be person-to-person, person to machine, or machine to machine and encompasses all products and services that allow the communication to happen. Each method of telecommunication has strict requirements (e.g. FCC licensing), approvals (e.g. Communications Network Services (CNS) and reports). These requirements have made it necessary to review all telecommunications purchases. When entering the correct account code in Hokiemark, the Hokiemark workflow electronically carries requisitions for telecommunications items to CNS for review. Departments should not use the P-Card for telecommunication purchases.

For radio products, which require Federal Communications Commission (FCC) licensing, transmitting and receiving frequencies must be included in the specifications and a copy of the FCC license must be attached to the Hokiemark Requisition.

#### **To use another vendor:**

[Professional Communications](#) in Blacksburg is also available to assist.