

**SAM – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(California Technology Agency)**

DESKTOP AND MOBILE COMPUTING POLICY
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In lieu of a Feasibility Study Report submitted to the Technology Agency, the Technology Agency delegates authority to acquire desktop and mobile computer commodities to agencies that have submitted acceptable Disaster Recovery Plans (DRP) or DRP certifications, maintain compliance with all applicable state IT security provisions as defined in SAM Sections 5300-5399, and have appropriate plans for the use of desktop and mobile computing commodities.

Under the Desktop and Mobile Computing Policy, agencies may acquire desktop and mobile computing commodities necessary to support the agency's programmatic functions and business needs. This includes acquiring desktop and mobile computing commodities to support increased staffing, as well as the ongoing replacement of obsolete or nonfunctioning desktop and mobile computing commodities. Desktop and mobile computing configurations are expected to make use of proven, "off-the-shelf" hardware and software. Specific exclusions from this policy are listed in Section 4989.2 below.

Replacement of desktop and mobile computing commodities acquired as part of a previously approved IT project, as defined in SAM Section 4819.2, may be included in this policy as such commodities are incorporated into and are no longer distinguishable from the agency's IT infrastructure.