

# VEHICLE ACQUISITION & LEASING



alternative fuel vehicles, sedans, heavy trucks, buses, and much more to buy or lease, gsa steers you in the right direction to meet all your vehicle needs



## Snow advisory: be prepared with gsa's vmas 23V

GSA Vehicular Multiple Award Schedule (VMAS) 23V has everything customer agencies need to keep operations mobile during the most dire winter conditions. For a variety of vehicles, equipment, and accessories to handle snow, sleet, and ice on most every terrain imaginable, look no further then VMAS 23V.



Everything for these winter weather challenges can be found and ordered with just one look on Schedules E-library or GSAAdvantage!®

Snow Maintenance Equipment and Snow Maintenance Attachments can be found under Special Item Numbers (SINs) 271-102, and 272-102. These SINs, the main stops for snow removal vehicles, equipment and accessories, cover a variety of manufacturer's commercial models and options for snowplows, snowplow parts, snowplow hitches and snowplow attachments. Also included under SIN 271-102 are snow blowers, snow sweepers, truck-mounted snow sweepers, and salt and sand spreaders. Also, SIN 271-102 is a total set-aside for small businesses—buying off of it will help agency customers meet their small business goals.

Self-contained snowplows and snow blowers, runway de-icing, and runway plows are covered under SIN 271-104, Clearing and Cleaning Equipment. This SIN is your one stop for rideroperated sweepers/scrubbers, self-contained snowplows and snow blowers, runway de-icing, runway brooms, and runway plows. GSA Automotive also has Automatic Ice Chains and Automatic Tire Chains available under Special Item Number 272-105, New Technologies.

Don't be left out in the cold, snow, sleet, and ice when Mother Nature decides to visit your neighborhood with her array of winter weather challenges. Please look for these SINs and products at www.gsaelibrary.gsa.gov and www.gsaadvantage.gov.

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





As of October 1, 2004 (FY05), all light vehicle requisitions must be placed through our award winning on-line ordering program AutoChoice, www.autochoice.gsa.gov. GSA Automotive is proud to be committed to the 2001 President's Management Agenda and OMB Paper Reduction Act to eliminate the use of paper.

n October of this year, GSA Automotive will no longer accept paper requisitions (such as Motor Vehicle Requisition Form 1781 and MIPRS, DD Form 448) for light vehicle requisitions. AutoChoice allows customers to choose and compare makes, models, and contract prices on a variety of vehicles offered by GSA Automotive's vendors, and place the orders online. Vehicles under contract include sedans, light trucks, SUVs, light-duty body trucks, Alternative Fuel Vehicles (AFVs), ambulances, buses, wreckers and carriers, and some medium and heavy vehicles.

AutoChoice has a many special features providing additional information for customers looking to purchase light trucks and sedans.

• Price Comparison Tab – this tab allows customers the ability to view base prices as well as prices for equipment

options. It shows a side-by-side comparison of selected vehicle makes and models as well as the selected options with prices. AutoChoice will also calculate the prices for the selected vehicles and optional equipment and will provide a price summary, including the GSA 1% surcharge.

- Price Discount Tab this tab shows a side-by-side comparison; the base vehicle prices offered to the government (without GSA surcharge), compared with the manufacturer invoice prices and the manufacturer retail prices, offered by General Motors, Ford, and DaimlerChrysler.
- Minimum Requirements Tab this tab shows GSA's minimum requirements and manufacturer's specifications for each standard item.
- Other Features Tab this tab lists a variety of vehicle model features by manufacturer to assist you in choosing

the correct vehicle to meet your needs.

- OEM Requirements Tab this tab provides important OEM information regarding ordering issues and equipment options. It includes OEM clarifications and exceptions to the contracts.
- AutoChoice also allows its customers to choose vehicle colors and the delivery dealerships for light vehicles. (Excluding body trucks and ambulances.)



the shipment performance of our ambulance and "body truck" vendors. The Vendor Performance Report identifies, by contractor, the number of vehicles ordered, the number of vehicles shipped, and the percentage of vehicles that were shipped on time.

AutoChoice provides all customers with the ability to check the status of their orders. The customers can check to see when the order was placed with the contractor, shipment date, vehicle identification number (VIN), and the delivery dealer location. It also provides links to the Federal Vehicle Standards and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), for information on crash test results. AutoChoice also has a Vendor Performance Report which provides FY03 vehicle shipment performance data of selected vendors. This initial report covers



Vehicle contract awards for model year 2005 vehicles are expected to be made on or around October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2004. Customers who placed orders in the AutoChoice garage during the summer for the purpose of obligating year-end funds must edit the orders by recalculating the base price and option prices using the new 2005 model year information before submitting the final order

> to GSA Automotive. No order placed in the garage during the summer months will be placed for purchase until the customer has reviewed, edited, and submitted that order against the new 2005 model year contracts.

GSA Automotive is a mandatory source for executive agencies and other eligible users to order vehicles in accordance with the Federal Property Management Regulations Sec. 101-26.501-1. For a list of agencies and organizations eligible to use GSA as a source of supply, go to **www.gsa.gov/schedules**. If you have any questions or require assistance with AutoChoice, please call GSA Automotive's Customer CARE, Marketing, and Systems Division at (703) 308-CARS (2277) or e-mail us at **vehicle.buying@gsa.gov**.

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For non-CONUS customers, our Customer Service Directors are located at the following numbers:

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