THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

System-wide Policy:		
FI0131 - UTSA Procedure for Cash Shortages and Property Losses		
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Objective

This procedure establishes the University's requirements for reporting cash (including cash equivalents, such as gift cards) shortages or property losses.

Procedure

I. Cash Shortages of \$500.00 or more

- A. When submitting a request to replenish petty cash funds, the department must fully document the circumstances surrounding the shortage via a University Form T-4.
- B. The department must forward the T-4 to the applicable Chief Business Officer and to the University Controller.

II. Property Losses

- A. The applicable Chief Business Officer will forward the report to the University System Administration Treasurer. The Treasurer will forward the report to the University System Administration Office of Risk Management.
- B. When a department conducts routine equipment inventory verification, the department head or designee must report the loss on a University form T-64. The department head or designee will forward the completed T-64 to the applicable Chief Business Officer.
- C. If a missing item is tangible personal property and it appears on the University's equipment inventory, the department must process a form T-64 (Equipment Inventory Change/Deletion Request).
- D. If the equipment is missing due to theft, robbery, or burglary, the department must include a copy of the police report with the completed T-64.

Penalties/Disciplinary Action for Non-Compliance

Violations of this policy could result in adverse human resources actions, up to and including termination.

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Clarification and			
Interpretation			

Related Policies/Guidance Documents

FI0130 - Fraud, Waste, and Abuse

FI0605 - Equipment