

General:

Journal Vouchers (JVs) are used to record accounting transactions when the transactions do not fall under one of the other document or original entry. Knowledge of basic accounting is highly recommended. i.e. the normal account balance (debit or credit).

Examples of transaction recorded on JVs include, but are not limited to:

- **Expense Transfers between accounts**
- **Cancellation of checks**
- **Recording of Revenue Receivables**

When applicable, copies of supporting documentation should be attached to the JV.

Line-by-Line Instructions:

Journal Voucher Number – This line should be left blank by the Originator, the Division of Accounts assigns the number upon approval

Line 1 – Date

This line should be left blank by the Originator, the Division of Accounts will complete the date entered upon approval.

Line 2 – Page

Enter the page number and the last page number of the JV. One-page documents should be completed page 1 of 1.

Line 3 – Department Control Number

The originating department or agency preparing the JV must enter a control number. The structure of the control number follows:

Example: J 17 0660 001

J (Journal Voucher)
17 (Fiscal Year)
0660 (Dept & Division)
001 (Control Number)

This Control Number will greatly assist in the tracking of your JV within the Department of Administration. This number will be used as the DOA Intake reference number throughout the processing cycle within Division of Accounts

Line 4 – Account Number

Enter the Complete account number (i.e. General Ledger or Revenue Account); for the Appropriation Number, include the object class. *(leave blank if not an Appropriation Number).*

Line 5 – Account Name

Enter the Account Name.

Line 6 – Prior Reference

Enter the relevant document number *(see following page).*

Line 7 – Debit

Enter the transaction amount in the appropriate column.

Line 8 – Credit

Enter the transaction amount in the appropriate column.

Line 9 – Totals

The total of debits must equal the total of credits.

The total of credit must equal the total of debits.

Line 10 – Explanation

Enter a concise explanation of the reason for the JV including references to other document as applicable.

Line 11 – Preparer to Check

Check the boxes listed accordingly; print, sign, date, and contact number.

Line 12 – Approving Official to Check

The Certifying Officer and/or Approving Official of the department must sign and date accordingly.

Line 13 –FOR DOA USE ONLY**HELPFUL NOTES:**

1. **Keep items grouped by "Prior Reference".**
2. **Keep items in pairs according to debit-credit;**
3. **Be specific with Remarks and Explanations by leaving clear and short details, Do not leave vague or incomplete statements such as:**
 - "Charge to proper account."
 - "To correct erroneous account."
 - "To reclassify expenditures."

Type of AdjustmentPrior Reference examples

Payroll (i.e. Labor Cost Distribution)Labor0103 (Fiscal year in remarks)
 Direct Expenditure (i.e. payments, Tenda).....CK#0100000
 Expenditure Offset againstPO#P086A00001 (complete)
 Encumbrance (i.e. PO or contract)PO#P086A00001 (partial)

Supporting Document Required

The supporting documents include (**but are not limited to**) the following:

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| 1. Labor Cost Distribution (LCD) | 4. Training & Development Invoice |
| 2. To Register Initial Transaction | 5. Purchase Order Copy |
| 3. Verification of Funds Availability | 6. Supporting Document |

❖ **Payroll:**

- Print out of *Transaction Register* from the FIRM/400 for the Pay Period being journalized, which must be highlighted;
- Print out of Appropriation balance of debit account from FIRM/400;
- Labor Cost Distribution – highlight amount being journalized; the page of the employee reflected on the JV plus grand-total page are the only requirements.

❖ **Direct Expenditure:**

- Print out of the expenditure being journalized from the *Transaction Register* of the FIRM/400; highlight the amount;
- Print out of the Appropriation balance (of the debit account) from the FIRM/400.

❖ **Expenditure Offset against Encumbrance (Purchase Orders, Contracts or Utilities):**

- Print out of the expenditure being journalized from the *Transaction Register* of the FIRM/400; highlight the amount;
- Print out Encumbrance Record from FIRM/400;
- Copy of Purchase Order and billing (*utilities are optional*).

<< MORE NOTES TO REMEMBER >>

- ✓ JVs with more than one page:
 - a) Subtotal each page; and,
 - b) **Grand total the last page.**
- ✓ Department-assigned JV control number should be annotated at top left (indicated).
- ✓ Refer to JV sample attached. **Please follow the account structure!**