

## **How to place an order** <sup>[1]</sup>

### **Initial Steps**

1. Clear the art work with your campus brand manager (see [Contact Us](#) <sup>[2]</sup>) for brand compliance.
2. Choose a licensed vendor (see [CU Users](#) <sup>[3]</sup>, List of Approved Vendors).
3. Once order is finalized, vendor will submit your request through normal [IMG process](#) <sup>[4]</sup>.

### **Royalty Guidelines**

#### **Royalty Rate**

The royalty rate is set at a level that will adequately reflect the value added to the goods and services on which University Marks are displayed. In developing the rate, consideration is given to the cost to the consumer, the impact on the vendor community, and the rates in place at institutions of similar size and stature. The licensing sub-committee, with representatives from all campuses, will collectively determine the royalty rate for the use of the University's Marks. The current University royalty rate is 15% of the wholesale cost of goods, for those items purchased for resale and 0% for those items purchased for internal use (subject to the "internal exceptions below").

#### **Royalty Exemptions**

In determining exemptions from royalty payment, consideration is given to the purpose of the licensing program and the community it serves. Given these criteria, the University should not be required to pay itself for purchases of services or products it makes for its own use to fulfill the educational mission of the University, which includes community outreach. However, the University should also avoid unfair competition with other retailers and service providers and should, therefore, not exempt itself from paying royalties on the purchase of goods that are to be used for resale or services provided to faculty, staff, and students as an additional benefit unrelated to the educational mission of the University.

#### **Internal Exceptions**

Items purchased for internal use are generally royalty exempt, but some exceptions do apply. They are as follows:

1. If the items are purchased to be given away at an event and there is a cost for admission to the event.
2. If a third party's mark (i.e. sponsor) appears on the item.

3. If the same or very similar item can be purchased from the campus bookstore, as these items are deemed to be in direct competition with the bookstore

## **Other**

- Licensed vendors must always be used regardless if the items are to be resold or used internally.
- Giveaways at major events need to be approved prior to the event. If approval is not obtained, the items may not be given away.

## **Parents and Students**

Parents or students, if you are looking to place an order for an item with the CU brand for a special occasion (graduation cake, etc.), please contact Maureen Riedel (see [Contact Us](#) <sup>[2]</sup>) for information on ordering and royalties.

## **Groups audience:**

Trademark and Licensing Program

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## **Links**

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[4] <https://www.cu.edu/trademarks/vendors>