

Department/Agency: Department of the Senate
Topic: USB Sticks

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Questions

1. **The Senate Online Stationery Store allows only Departmental Staff to order USB 4.7GB. Could you please explain why this item is restricted to Departmental Staff?**

Answer

These USBs were first acquired by the Senate Department's former Information Technology Systems Section for departmental use and issued to staff on a case by case basis. They have "Department of the Senate" branding on them. Due to this branding, their distribution is limited to departmental staff.

2. **Why are Parliamentary Staff unable to order the item?**

Answer

Parliamentary Staff cannot order these items due to the departmental branding. However, a USB can be requested by parliamentary staff of Senators as "Non-Standard Stock" request. Alternatively the gift store also sells a USB containing the e-book version of *Odgers Australian Senate Practice* which has a 4GB storage capacity.