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**HOW TO PURCHASE A TABLET
PRESS IN THE US AND ABROAD**

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Introduction.

EquipNet has pharmaceutical buyers from all over the world who purchase an array of manufacturing equipment, most notably tablet presses. What many buyers may not realize are the regulations set by the US government on tablet presses and how they affect a buyer's transaction.

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Introduction.

In the United States, tablet presses are regulated by the DEA domestically. The DEA tracks which companies have purchased this instrumentation and where they are being used. When a client comes to us to purchase a tablet press, we must follow the proper steps before releasing the equipment to them.

Here is a quick overview of the process:

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one.

THE TABLET PRESS IS SOLD:

EquipNet then reports the sale to the DEA, including the sales information, the exact address of the purchaser, and information of the carrier transporting the tablet press.

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two.

WE WAIT:

The typical wait time once a request is submitted to the DEA is about 15 business days.

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three.

SHIPMENT:

Once the tablet press is verified, we are able to ship the item. Once the tablet press is shipped, we must also provide a copy of the signed Bill of Lading, confirming it was delivered to the registered location.

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Purchasing a tablet press abroad.

If you are purchasing a tablet press in a country other than the US, the DEA has no jurisdiction, and thus there is typically no wait time for shipment. Instead, we simply notify the DEA of the sale and that the press will no longer be at the registered location. Tablet presses that originate outside the USA and entering back into the USA must be registered with the DEA. We have to provide port of entry, date of entry, and copy of signed Bill of Lading confirming delivery to the registered location.

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Other regulations.

Additionally, some of our sellers have their own DEA compliance departments. For example, though it might only take 15 days to get in touch with the DEA, the seller's policy could state that they have scheduled release times of 30 days.

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