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## **Purchase Order Overview**

Purchase order (PO) is a commercial document issued by a buyer when purchasing products, goods or services to a seller. The document indicates the details on the items that are to be purchased, such as:

Types of products or services

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Unit and total prices

Due date

Payment terms

When creating the document to complete purchase orders, the buyer is entitled to include any special requirements or terms, and the seller reserves the right to analyze the document and approve or reject the purchase order. Once the document is mutually agreed upon and duly signed by both parties, it becomes legally binding, thereby ensuring the fulfillment of the buyer's and seller's respective demands.

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## **Purchase Order Importance**

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Consolidating purchase order items



Safeguarding the organization against fraudulent activities



Supporting financial audits

#### **Purchase Order Process**



## **Purchase Order Elements**

While purchase order forms may vary, they typically include essential elements and terms that establish a binding contract. Key elements typically found in purchase orders include:



Buyer and seller information (names, addresses, and contact details).



PO number for order tracking.



Issue date of the purchase order.



Delivery address.



Description of goods or services (quantities, specifications, codes/references).



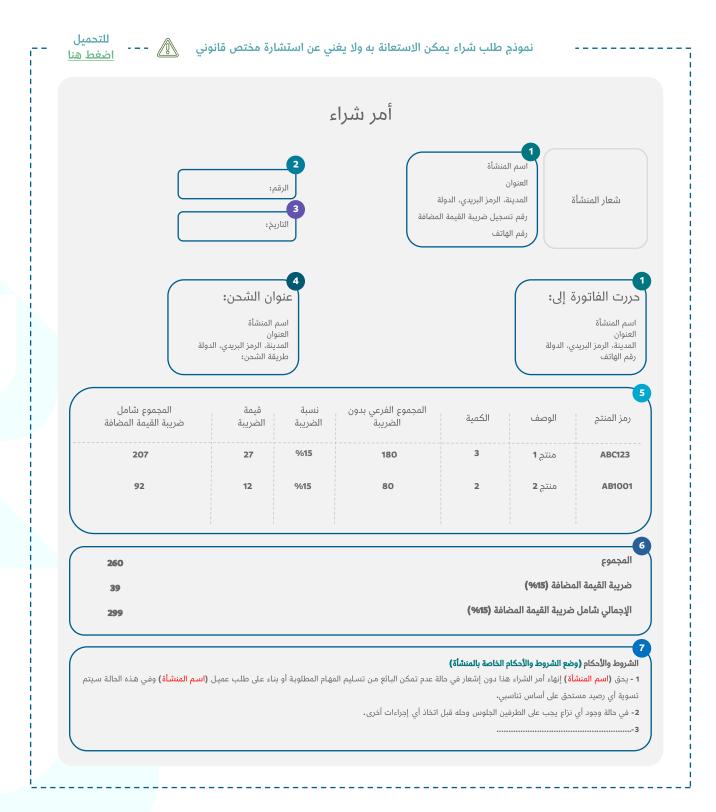
Price and payment terms (total cost, discounts, shipping charges).



Terms and Conditions.

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