SOP: Par Stock and Reorder Level Monitoring

This SOP details the procedures for **par stock and reorder level monitoring**, including the establishment of optimal inventory levels, regular stock assessments, identification of reorder points, timely placement of purchase orders, and accurate record-keeping. The objective is to maintain adequate inventory to prevent stockouts and overstocking, ensuring smooth operations and cost-effective inventory management.

1. Purpose

To outline a systematic approach for maintaining optimal inventory levels and ensuring timely replenishment of stock items.

2. Scope

This procedure applies to all staff responsible for inventory management in the organization.

3. Responsibilities

- Inventory Manager: Oversees par level settings and monitors stock reports.
- Storekeeper: Conducts stock assessments, updates records, and initiates reorder requests.
- Procurement Team: Processes and follows up on purchase orders.

4. Definitions

Term	Definition
Par Stock	The minimum quantity of inventory that must be kept on hand at all times.
Reorder Level	The inventory quantity at which a new purchase order should be placed to replenish stock before depletion.

5. Procedure

1. Establish Par Stock and Reorder Levels:

- Review past consumption rates, lead times, and criticality of items.
- o Determine par stock and reorder levels for each inventory item.
- Document and communicate established levels to relevant staff.

2. Conduct Regular Inventory Assessments:

- Perform daily/weekly stock checks as appropriate.
- o Record current inventory for each item.

3. Monitor Reorder Points:

- o Compare current inventory against reorder levels.
- o Identify items at or below reorder points.

4. Place Purchase Orders:

- Initiate timely purchase requests for items meeting or falling below reorder levels.
- Verify order quantities to restore inventory to par stock.

5. Record-Keeping:

- Update inventory records after receiving new stock.
- $\circ~$ Maintain complete and accurate documentation of all inventory transactions.

6. Documentation and Forms

- Inventory Assessment Sheet
- Purchase Order Form
- Goods Received Note

7. Review and Audit

- Conduct quarterly audits on inventory records and procedures.
- Update par stock and reorder levels as needed based on consumption trends and operational changes.

8. References

- Inventory Management Policy
- Procurement Procedures Manual