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Award

Professional Off Road 4x4 Driver and On / Off Road Trailer Towing

ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

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Scope

Reference

C30549

Description

This contract will deliver training for circa 2,000 EA staff that in their operational delivery capacity require additional 4x4 driver and trailer towing training. Either because they are assessed as being high risk or they use specialist vehicles and/or tow trailers in their role.

EA employees use our fleet of 4x4 vehicles and trailers to gain access to remote locations and to move equipment, materials, or livestock to locations where they carry out their work.

Lot 1. Lot 1 - On Road Trailer towing

Description

The training is required to meet EA departmental driving policies and legislative requirements including Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 (HSAW), The Road Traffic Act 1988, and The Highway Code.

Lot 2. Lot 2 - Off Road 4x4 Driving and Trailer Towing

Description

Competent, safe, and fully trained to a professional standard.

- Trained to a consistent standard to support the flexibility we need to move resources around the country (mutual aid) for incident response.
- Confident to operate the 4x4 vehicles and tow equipment that is high value.

Lot 3. Lot 3 - Security of Loads on Vehicles

Description

The successful Tenderer(s) must work with us to deliver more sustainable services under this contract. These requirements reflect the aspirations of our sustainability policy and the commitment to reach net zero.

The successful Tenderer(s) must always support the client in delivering eMission2030.

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Lots

Lot Lot 1. Lot 1 - On Road Trailer towing

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Lot Lot 3. Lot 3 - Security of Loads on Vehicles

Suppliers (2)

- Pertemps Recruitment Partnership Limited
- Peter Smythe Transport Training Limited

Contract value

- £2,000,000 excluding VAT
- £2,400,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

15 January 2026

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

15 January 2026

Standstill period

- End: 27 January 2026
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

29 January 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 January 2026 to 29 January 2029
- Possible extension to 29 January 2031
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

2 x 1 year

Main procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

2 x 1 year extensions

CPV classifications

- 80000000 - Education and training services

Contract locations

- UKI63 - Merton, Kingston upon Thames and Sutton

Information about tenders

Lot 1. Lot 1 - On Road Trailer towing

- 5 tenders received
- 5 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 3 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 3 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 2 suppliers awarded contracts
- 3 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Lot 2. Lot 2 - Off Road 4x4 Driving and Trailer Towing

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- 5 tenders assessed in the final stage:
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Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Suppliers

Pertemps Recruitment Partnership Limited

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLZH-3661-DWHL

Meriden Hall Main Road

Meriden

CV7 7PT

United Kingdom

Email: bid.team@pertemps.co.uk

Region: UKG32 - Solihull

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Peter Smythe Transport Training Limited

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PPQM-4571-NZNR

Beaufort House Stanton Hill

Sutton -in -Ashfield

NG17 3FW

United Kingdom

Email: bids@petersmythe.co.uk

Region: UKF15 - North Nottinghamshire

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNWW-1475-NYLN

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London

SW1P 4DF

United Kingdom

Contact name: Procurement

Telephone: 03459335577

Email: procurement@defra.gov.uk

Website: <https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government