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## **Defra Group Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

Buyer's address

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

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

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

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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

#### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

#### **I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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### **Section II: Object**

#### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

##### **II.1.1) Title**

Defra Group Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Reference number

C28117

##### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 35113400 - Protective and safety clothing

##### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

##### **II.1.4) Short description**

The requirement is for general Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Corporate Workwear for Defra and it's 33 agencies/Non-Departmental Public Bodies (NDPB's). Many of Defra's and it's Arm's Length Bodies (ALB's) staff work in the field and there are a wide variety of different terrains which need to be catered for.

This contract is to provide the means to order from an approved list of clothing and PPE. This will include basics such as branded polo tops and fleeces as well as more complex gear such as breathing apparatus and chainsaw trousers. The suppliers need to be able to cope in emergency situations e.g. disease outbreaks or floods to deliver large quantities quickly.

There is also an element of equipment and single use PPE such as mops, brushes and disposable gloves and masks.

We are keen to promote high sustainability standards in the market and have divided the requirement into Lots to encourage Small and Medium Enterprises (SME's) to apply.

### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £17,500,000

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 1 - General Clothing

Lot No

Lot 1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 35113400 - Protective and safety clothing

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Due to seasonal work, summer clothing options should be lightweight, water resistant, with sweat wicking options, and have an ultraviolet protection factor (UPF). Cotton options for those with allergies to polyester should also be available. Winter options need to be able to withstand all weather conditions, be waterproof and be compatible with other items for layering as staff are exposed to all weather conditions for long periods of the day. This Lot also includes corporate workwear which may be branded with our corporate logos.

Defra organisations have a high percentage of female employees. It is essential that all PPE and clothing is provided for women at the same level as men. Women need to feel secure, protected and at ease whilst performing their duties, but also visible to those

operating around them. In addition to suitable fitting PPE and clothing comfort is a key aspect. Special bespoke order alternatives may be required from time to time on religious or ethnic grounds, pregnancy, allergy sufferers and for those who do not meet the normal sizing ranges.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £7,979,000

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start date

1 April 2026

End date

31 March 2031

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

3 + 2 years. Option to extend for additional 2 years after the initial 3 to 31/3/31.

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 2 - Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Lot No

Lot 2

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 35113400 - Protective and safety clothing

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Range of equipment including face masks and respirators. APHA use Sundstrom RPE. Wide range of gloves, e.g. nitrile disposable, vinyl, chemical protection, thermal, touch screen, cut protection, needle protection, work gloves and virus-resistant gloves. Helmets & hats, safety glasses, face shields and ear defenders

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £3,175,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start date

1 April 2026

End date

31 March 2031

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

3+2 years. Option to renew for additional 2 years after the initial 3.

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 3 - Footwear

Lot No

Lot 3

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 18830000 - Protective footwear

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Various types of footwear including safety shoes, shoes able to withstand disinfection, insulated shoes to withstand severe cold, safety waders, walking boots and walking wellingtons.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £2,920,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start date

1 April 2026

End date

31 March 2031

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

3+2 years. Option to renew for a further 2 years after the initial 3 years.

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 4 - Equipment

Lot No

Lot 4

**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 35113000 - Safety equipment

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK

**II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Various pieces of PPE equipment including gas monitors, dry suits, first aid equipment, spill kits and biosecurity kits.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £3,435,000

**II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start date

1 April 2026

End date

31 March 2031

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

3+2 years. Options to renew additional 2 years after the initial 3 years.

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

**II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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**Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

**III.1) Conditions for participation**

**III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

**III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Restricted procedure

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

25 March 2025

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

12 May 2025

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 31 December 2025

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Public Procurement Review Body

N/A

N/A

N/A

Email

[publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk](mailto:publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit>

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Public Procurement Review Body

N/A

N/A

N/A

Email

[publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk](mailto:publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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**VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

Public Procurement Review Body

N/A

N/A

N/A

Email

[publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk](mailto:publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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