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Planning

Venison and Wild Boar Collection and Sale

Forestry England (for and on behalf of the Forestry Commission)

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Scope

Description

Forestry England - Venison and Wild Boar Collection and Sale

Forestry England manages over 250,000 hectares of woodland across England, working to balance the needs of people, nature and the economy. We actively manage wild deer and feral wild boar populations as part of our commitment to timber production, restoring ecosystems and tackling the climate and nature crises.

We are seeking experienced operators to collect and purchase venison and wild boar carcasses. All venison supplied is FSC and PEFC certified, with carcasses presented to the British Quality Wild Venison (BQWV) standard and culled using non-lead ammunition. Wild boar is not certified.

Our key requirement is the prompt and efficient collection of carcasses from our deer larders, with the capacity to respond effectively to increasing and seasonally variable cull volumes across the estate. Timely uplift is essential to support our wildlife management operations and ensure compliance with food safety standards.

Contracts will run for a four-year period, with the option to extend by up to one year. Annual review points are built into the agreement. Continuation will be at Forestry England's discretion, based on market conditions and performance against agreed key performance indicators.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://forestryengland.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Bristol:-Retail-trade-services./Z372MET7Q2>

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Total value (estimated)

- £300,000 excluding VAT
- £360,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 October 2025 to 1 October 2030
- 5 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55900000 - Retail trade services

Contract locations

- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKK - South West (England)
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)

Engagement

Engagement deadline

12 July 2025

Engagement process description

Forestry England are looking to engage with licensed game dealers to understand the current market and help to inform the specification of a future contract for Venison and Wild

Boar Collection and Sale with National coverage. Game dealers will ideally be listed as an Approved Game Handling Establishment on the Food Standards Agency website or demonstrably suitable procedures in line with the Food Safety and Hygiene (England) Regulations 2013 (SI2013/2996)

Interested parties should email sam.harris@forestryengland.uk to express an interest in this opportunity.

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

19 July 2025

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Forestry England (for and on behalf of the Forestry Commission)

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLRM-7846-HGLG

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government