

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/037131-2025>

Tender

Food Standards Scotland: High-Risk Foods for Listeria

Food Standards Scotland (FSS)

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-037131

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-055858

Published 3 July 2025, 2:11pm

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Food Standards Scotland (FSS)

4th Floor, Pilgrim House, Old Ford Road

Aberdeen

AB11 5RL

Email

Bethany.Gold@gov.scot

Telephone

+44 1224285172

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.foodstandards.gov.scot

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA24524

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

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Food Standards Scotland: High-Risk Foods for Listeria

Reference number

FSS/2025/017

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73110000 - Research services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Food Standards Scotland (FSS) require a Contractor to carry out an evidence review to identify the foods considered high-risk for *L. monocytogenes*, ranking them based on their level of risk. This will ensure food safety advice and recommendations are based on up-to-date evidence for these vulnerable consumers.

The Contractor must have an ability to review incidents and outbreak data in literature to analyse available evidence on the risk of *L. monocytogenes* in food products.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Food Standards Scotland (FSS) require a Contractor to carry out an evidence review to identify the foods considered high-risk for *L. monocytogenes*, ranking them based on their level of risk. This will ensure food safety advice and recommendations are based on up-to-date evidence for these vulnerable consumers.

The Contractor must have an ability to review incidents and outbreak data in literature to analyse available evidence on the risk of *L. monocytogenes* in food products.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

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

Start date

8 September 2025

End date

7 September 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend the contract for a period of up to 6 months at the discretion of the Purchaser

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend the contract for a period of up to 6 months at the discretion of the Purchaser

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open 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

13 August 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

13 August 2025

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=803248.

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

(SC Ref:803248)

Download the ESPD document here:

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=803248

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Glasgow Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court

1 Carlton Place

Glasgow

G5 9DA

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.scotcourts.gov.uk/courts-and-tribunals/courts-tribunals-and-office-locations/find-us/glasgow-sheriff-court-and-justice-of-the-peace-court/>