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Planning

DS478-24 NFCC Emergency Response Vehicle Framework

Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Authority

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Scope

Reference

DS478-24

Description

Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority (on behalf of the National Fire Chiefs Council Transport Officers Group (NFCC TOG) and in conjunction with the National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC) Procurement Hub, is leading a procurement project to replace the existing Framework Agreement for UK Fire and Rescue Emergency Response Vehicles (ERV).

The future framework agreement will enable Contracting Authorities named on the framework to procure Pumping Appliances, Aerial Appliances and Special Vehicles as required by their Contracting Authority, Fire and Rescue Service etc.

For the purposes of this planned procurement notice, previously a preliminary market engagement was carried out under the Public Contract Regulations 2015. The PIN notice for that engagement can be found via the link below:

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/748a1220-2203-4418-b562-1d809186c6cb>

After the preliminary market engagement notice, a pipeline notice has been published under the Procurement Act 2023.

The Project Team are currently establishing the requirements and the permitted vehicles that can be procured, and this information will be published within the Invitation to Tender later this year.

At this stage, the Project Team anticipates that the NFCC Emergency Response Vehicle Framework will be an open framework, as defined in the Procurement Act 2023, for a period of 8 years (the contract start and end dates in this preliminary market engagement notice are based on this assumption). No extensions to the framework will be available.

The Tender Notice for the framework agreement is planned to be published on 26th August 2025. Please note the publication date may be subject to change.

Suppliers who may be interested in this opportunity can prepare by registering on our e-tendering portal where this opportunity is likely to be tendered in due course. The e-tendering portal is located at:

<https://sell2.in-tend.co.uk/blpd/home>

The e-tendering portal is free to use. Suppliers can find guidance on using the e-tendering portal via: <https://bluelightcommercial.police.uk/media/2284/sell2bluelight-in-tend-full-supplier-guide.pdf>

Commercial tool

Establishes an open framework

A series of frameworks with substantially the same terms. Awarded suppliers are carried over and new suppliers can bid.

Total value (estimated)

- £900,000,000 excluding VAT
- £1,080,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2034
- 8 years

Main procurement category

Goods

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom
- GG - Guernsey
- IM - Isle of Man
- JE - Jersey

Not the same for all lots

CPV classifications are shown in Lot sections, because they are not the same for all lots.

Lot 1. Pumping Appliances

Description

Pumping Appliances GVW more than 3t

Lot value (estimated)

- £900,000,000 excluding VAT
- £1,080,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

CPV classifications

- 34114100 - Emergency vehicles
- 34114110 - Rescue vehicles

Same for all lots

Contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. Aerial Appliances

Description

All types of Aerial appliances within the scope of EN 14043, 14044 and 1777

Lot value (estimated)

- £900,000,000 excluding VAT
- £1,080,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

CPV classifications

- 34114100 - Emergency vehicles
- 34114110 - Rescue vehicles

Same for all lots

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Lot 3a. Small Special Vehicle

Description

Special Vehicles GVW 3.5t or below

Lot value (estimated)

- £900,000,000 excluding VAT
- £1,080,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

CPV classifications

- 34114100 - Emergency vehicles
- 34114110 - Rescue vehicles

Same for all lots

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Lot 3b. Medium Special Vehicles

Description

Special Vehicles GVW of more than 3.5t and

Lot value (estimated)

- £900,000,000 excluding VAT
- £1,080,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

CPV classifications

- 34114100 - Emergency vehicles
- 34114110 - Rescue vehicles

Same for all lots

Contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 3c. Large Special Vehicles

Description

Special Vehicles GVW of more than 7.5t

Lot value (estimated)

- £900,000,000 excluding VAT
- £1,080,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

CPV classifications

- 34114100 - Emergency vehicles
- 34114110 - Rescue vehicles

Same for all lots

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Lot 4. Vehicle Disposal

Description

Disposal of Emergency Response Vehicles

Lot value (estimated)

- £900,000,000 excluding VAT
- £1,080,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

CPV classifications

- 60100000 - Road transport services

Same for all lots

Contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Framework

Open framework scheme end date (estimated)

31 March 2034

Maximum number of suppliers

Unlimited

Award method when using the framework

With competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

The full list of Contracting Authorities permitted to use the Open Framework will be listed in the Invitation to Tender.

Participation

Particular suitability

Lot 1. Pumping Appliances

Lot 2. Aerial Appliances

Lot 3a. Small Special Vehicle

Lot 3b. Medium Special Vehicles

Lot 3c. Large Special Vehicles

Lot 4. Vehicle Disposal

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

26 August 2025

Enquiry deadline

18 November 2025, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

26 November 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

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Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

17 March 2026

Other information

Payment terms

In addition to requiring payment within 30 days for valid and undisputed invoices, each Call-Off Contract will outline the procedures for submitting invoices and resolving any disputes that may arise.

Description of risks to contract performance

- Value of the open framework e.g. increase in government funding
- Number of suppliers within the market for certain type of appliances or vehicles may reduce
- Imposed mandates from government regarding vehicles specifications
- Risk of access to and/or transport of raw materials and their availability
- Pandemic
- Violate markets affecting inflation, tariffs, exchange rates etc.

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Authority

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNLD-1131-HTWN

Service Headquarters

Exeter

EX3 0NW

United Kingdom

Email: procurement@dsfire.gov.uk

Region: UKK43 - Devon CC

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government