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# NFCC National Firefighter PPE - Lot 4 (Structural Firefighting PPE)

Kent and Medway Towns Fire and Rescue Authority

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## Scope

#### Reference

C25038

## **Description**

Kent and Medway Towns Fire and Rescue Authority on behalf of NFCC, as the Contracting Authority, is seeking to establish a series of open Framework Agreements. Each successive open framework will be for specific products and/or services that will be awarded to successful suppliers, pursuant to which the Participating Authorities listed in Annex 1 of the Procurement Specific Questionnaire may award a Call-Off Agreement.

This Tender Notice relates to 'Lot 4 (Structural Firefighting PPE)'.

The Procurement Specific Questionnaire will be published alongside this Tender Notice. The draft ITT (which will include the draft form of Framework Agreement and draft form of

Call-Off Agreement) will include details of the call-off procedure.

'Lot 4 (Structural Firefighting PPE)' relates to the provision of Fire Structural PPE, as set out within the Specification and Requirement document for this Lot.

This procurement will start with a participation stage comprising of the completion of the Procurement Specific Questionnaire and the information required to be submitted to the Central Digital Platform by potential bidders. Those successful at the participation stage will progress to the tender stage and will be invited to submit a formal tender in response to the Invitation to Tender (ITT). The evaluation process for the tender stage will include wearer trials and site visits.

It is intended that up to 4 successful suppliers will each be awarded a Framework Agreement (subject to the Contracting Authority's discretion to increase the number of successful suppliers beyond 4). Participating Authorities will be able to enter into a Call-Off Agreement under the Framework Agreement following the call-off procedure.

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to charge a levy to the successful suppliers as set out within the draft ITT.

Where there is more than 1 successful supplier, it is intended that each Framework Agreement will have a maximum term of 8 years. It is anticipated that the successive frameworks will re-open as follows: in (i) March 2029 and (ii) between March 2032 and March 2033. These dates may be subject to change at the discretion of the Contracting Authority.

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#### 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)**

• £95,224,902.82 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

#### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 April 2026 to 29 March 2034
- 7 years, 11 months, 29 days

#### Main procurement category

Goods

#### **CPV** classifications

- 18100000 Occupational clothing, special workwear and accessories
- 18110000 Occupational clothing
- 18113000 Industrial clothing
- 18224000 Clothing made of coated or impregnated textile fabrics
- 18400000 Special clothing and accessories
- 18410000 Special clothing
- 35000000 Security, fire-fighting, police and defence equipment
- 35110000 Firefighting, rescue and safety equipment
- 35111000 Firefighting equipment
- 35113400 Protective and safety clothing

• 35811100 - Fire-brigade uniforms

#### **Contract locations**

- UKE1 East Yorkshire and Northern Lincolnshire
- UKM9 Southern Scotland
- UKM8 West Central Scotland
- UKM7 Eastern Scotland
- UKL14 South West Wales
- UKC North East (England)
- UKD North West (England)
- UKG West Midlands (England)
- UKF East Midlands (England)
- UKH East of England
- UKK South West (England)
- UKJ South East (England)
- UKM Scotland
- UKL Wales
- UKM5 North Eastern Scotland
- UKL2 East Wales
- UKL1 West Wales and the Valleys
- UKN0 Northern Ireland

#### **Framework**

## Open framework scheme end date (estimated)

29 March 2034

## Maximum number of suppliers

4

## Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

#### Further information about fees

0

## Framework operation description

The criteria to award is based on 70 % Quality and 30 % Price. Price is determined by a basket of goods for each Lot.

Quality is split out between Quality responses, technical responses and wearer trials scores, once all scores have been received then the successful Suppliers overall evaluated scores will be taken forward to the Supplier Selection Stage for Participating Authorities to set out their requirements and evaluated the responses which are based on the high level criteria set out by the Contracting Authority, provided to determine the Suppler to be awarded the Call-Off Agreement too.

# Award method when using the framework

With competition

#### Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Establishing party only

# **Participation**

## Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation: The conditions of participation (and how such conditions will be assessed) relating to legal and financial capacity are included within the Procurement Specific Questionnaire and the draft ITT.

## Technical ability conditions of participation

Technical ability conditions of participation: The conditions of participation (and how such conditions will be assessed) relating to technical ability are included within the Procurement Specific Questionnaire and the draft ITT.

# Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

#### **Submission**

Enquiry deadline			
11 August 2025, 12:00pm			
Submission type			
Tenders			
Deadline for requests to participate			
12 August 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)** 

1 April 2026

#### Award criteria

Name	Туре	Weighting
Quality	Price	70%
Price	Price	30%

#### Other information

#### **Payment terms**

All Participating Authorities will ensure that payment are made within 30 days fir a valid and undisputed invoices, similarly successful Suppliers will undertake to adhere to the same payments terms for their supply chain partners and sub-contractors,

## Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

#### **Procedure**

# **Procedure type**

Competitive flexible procedure

# Competitive flexible procedure description

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Central Digital Platform by potential bidders. Those successful at the participation stage will progress to the tender stage and will be invited to submit a formal tender in response to the Invitation to Tender (ITT). The evaluation process for the tender stage will include wearer trials and site visits.

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The Contracting Authority reserves the right to charge a levy to the successful suppliers as set out within the draft ITT.

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# **Contracting authority**

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