

## Switched to direct award

This procurement has been switched to direct award after an [unsuccessful competitive tendering procedure](#).

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/043634-2025>

Award

## 712746450 - Direct Award for the Provision of Army Orienteering Services

Ministry of Defence

UK5: Transparency notice - Procurement Act 2023 - [view information about notice types](#)

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-043634

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-056779 ([view related notices](#))

Published 28 July 2025, 5:06pm

## Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The [previous version](#) is still available.

Correction to procedure and dates.

## **Scope**

### **Description**

712746450 - This procurement is to support the Army Orienteering Association (AOA) to deliver training courses, coaching, mapping services, competitions and technical services. This includes technical advice and provision of timing equipment/services to deliver effective training, complying to British Orienteering National Governing Body rules and policies and 'safe-place, safe-training'.

---

## **Contract 1. 712746450**

### **Supplier**

- EMIT-UK TIMING LIMITED

### **Contract value**

- £329,093.33 excluding VAT
- £394,912 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

31 October 2025

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

- 5 January 2026 to 1 January 2029
- 2 years, 11 months, 28 days

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **Options**

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

One 12 Month Option Period

### **CPV classifications**

- 92622000 - Sports-event organisation services
- 80511000 - Staff training services
- 22114300 - Maps

### **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom

---

## Participation

### Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

---

## Other information

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

---

## Procedure

### Procedure type

Direct award

### Direct award justification

Switching to direct award

Section 43 (Switching to Direct Award) of the Procurement Act 2023 (PA2023) permits a contracting authority to switch from a competitive tendering procedure to the direct award

of a public contract in circumstances where no, or no suitable, tenders or requests to participate have been received during the competitive tendering procedure. This is applicable when the contracting authority determines that awarding a contract through a competitive tendering procedure under Section 19 is not feasible in the given circumstances.

The contracting authority previously conducted an open competitive procurement process for this orienteering requirement in May 2025 but did not receive any suitable tenders or requests to participate. This was likely due to the niche nature of the requirement, the limited number of suppliers in this specialised field, and the logistical challenges of the specified location. Only one bid was submitted, and the competition attracted limited interest, with no other suppliers confirming interest or submitting clarification questions, resulting in no suitable tenders. Consequently, it is not possible to proceed under section 19, and a direct award under section 43 has been deemed necessary to meet the requirement.

A tender notice for the above mentioned competition was published on 2nd April 2025:

<https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/012644-2025>

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-012644

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04fc4e

---

## Supplier

### **EMIT-UK TIMING LIMITED**

- Companies House: 08580379

80 Spring Lane

Hampshire

SO50 6BB

United Kingdom

Email: [emituktiming@gmail.com](mailto:emituktiming@gmail.com)

Region: UKJ35 - South Hampshire

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1. 712746450

---

## Contracting authority

### Ministry of Defence

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PHVX-4316-ZVGZ

Army Headquarters, Blenheim Building, Monxton Road

Andover

SP11 8HT

United Kingdom

Email: [army-comrcl-proc-dynea-mailbox@mod.gov.uk](mailto:army-comrcl-proc-dynea-mailbox@mod.gov.uk)

Website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence>

Region: UKJ36 - Central Hampshire

Organisation type: Public authority - central government

