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Tender

THE PROVISION OF A GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND WIDE FOOD SAMPLE COLLECTION AND PURCHASE PROGRAMME FOR PESTICIDE RESIDUES TESTING 2026 ONWARD

Health and Safety Executive

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Scope

Reference

HSE/T4770

Description

HSE CRD is responsible for delivering national programmes of monitoring pesticide residues in Great Britain and in Northern Ireland food supply on behalf of DEFRA and DEARA (a part of the NI executive). GB national law and in Northern Ireland under the terms of the Windsor Framework (Regulation 396/2005 and Regulation 2021/1355) requires Great Britain and Northern Ireland to monitor pesticide residues in food. The testing programme must also include the analysis of obligatory named foods for a specific list of pesticides as detailed by the GB co-ordinated multi-annual control plan and the annual EU regulation for a co-ordinated multiannual control programme. The most recent requirements for Northern Ireland and member states for 2026 are set out in Regulation 2024/989.

The collection and purchase of retail samples to send to different official laboratories for testing is currently part of these programmes and it is this aspect of the programme that is now being re-tendered for samples collected in Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The aim of the programme is to collect samples across the country as part of different food surveys which may span specific periods of the year or the full year. Broadly being representative of market share by the key retailers and covering various geographic areas on a rolling basis.

Total value (estimated)

- £1,276,000 excluding VAT
- £1,531,200 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2028
- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 5 years, 3 months

Description of possible extension:

Optional extension for 2 years and 3 months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79000000 - Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security
- 98300000 - Miscellaneous services

Not the same for all lots

Contract locations are shown in Lot sections, because they are not the same for all lots.

Lot A (was 1). Great Britain

Description

Services to be provided within Great Britain only.

Lot value (estimated)

- £836,000 excluding VAT
- £1,003,200 including VAT

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)

- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)
- UKL - Wales
- UKM - Scotland

Same for all lots

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

Lot B. Northern Ireland

Description

Services for Northern Ireland only.

Lot value (estimated)

- £440,000 excluding VAT
- £528,000 including VAT

Contract locations

- UKN - Northern Ireland

Same for all lots

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

Participation

Particular suitability

Lot A (was 1). Great Britain

Lot B. Northern Ireland

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Tender submission deadline

14 October 2025, 1:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Further information on the full requirements can be found via In Tend.

The procurement documents will be available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hse/aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hse/aspx/Home>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

7 November 2025

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 1 September 2030

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality	70%
Cost	Cost	20%
Social Value	Quality	10%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

Health and Safety Executive

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PBXM-4389-TXVZ

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