

## **SASSA: 29-23-GA-WC**

## **INVITATION TO BID**

ACCREDITATION OF SERVICE PROVIDERS TO SUPPLY AND ISSUE IMMEDIATE SOCIAL RELIEF OF DISTRESS (SRD) FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS IN AN INCIDENCE OF A DISASTER IN THE WESTERN CAPE.

## **COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION:**

Bidders are invited to attend a compulsory information session as per the advert and details below:

## **DETAILS OF THE BRIEFING SESSION ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

Venue: (First meeting)

Cape Town Local Office

Matador Centre, 62 Strand Street

Cape Town

Date:

21 August 2023

Time:

10:00

Venue: (Second meeting)

Vredenburg District Office (West Coast).

85 Vergelegen Park

Main Road Vredenburg

Date:

22 August 2023

Time:

10:00

Venue: (Fourth meeting)

Department of Department of Social Development

4 Progress St Dormehls Drift

George 6530

Ground Floor 24 August 2023

Date: Time:

10:00

NB: Please take note that attendees bring their IDs to present with security on the Ground floor, otherwise they will not be allowed to enter the building.

Venue: (Third meeting)

Worcester Local Office. No 70 Durban Street

Worcester 7230

Date:

25 August 2023

Time:

10:00



## PROPOSALS MUST BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT:

SASSA Western Cape Regional Office,

20<sup>th</sup> Floor, Golden Acre Building Cnr Adderley & Strand Street

Cape Town

**PUBLICATION DATE:** 

**CLOSING DATE** 

15 August 2023 06 September 2023

TIME

11:00

TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES EMAIL ADDRESS

: WCBids@sassa.gov.za : WCBids@sassa.gov.za

## SUPPLY CHAIN MANANAGEMENT ENQUIRIES CAN BE DIRECTED TO:

CONTACT PERSON

: N Manzana

**CONTACT NUMBER:** 

: N/A

**EMAIL ADDRESS** 

: WCBids@sassa.gov.za

Stamp Out Social Grants Fraud and Corruption Call 0800 60 10 11/ 0800 701 701

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## PART B TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

#### 1. BID SUBMISSION:

- 1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.
- 1.2. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED—(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT.
- 1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
- 1.4. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).

#### 2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
- 2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
- 2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
- 2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
- 2.6 WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.
- 2.7 NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, COMPANIES WITH DIRECTORS WHO ARE PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, OR CLOSE CORPORATIONS WITH MEMBERS PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE."

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE FOR COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE PA	RTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:	
CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED: (Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)	
DATE:	

## **BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE**

## 1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

Any person (natural or juristic) may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In line with the principles of transparency, accountability, impartiality, and ethics as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and further expressed in various pieces of legislation, it is required for the bidder to make this declaration in respect of the details required hereunder.

Where a person/s are listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters and / or the List of Restricted Suppliers, that person will automatically be disqualified from the bid process.

## 2. Bidder's declaration

- 2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest1 in the enterprise, employed by the state?

  YES/NO
- 2.1.1 If so, furnish particulars of the names, individual identity numbers, and, if applicable, state employee numbers of sole proprietor/ directors / trustees / shareholders / members/ partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, in table below.

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of institution	State

2.2 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship

<sup>1</sup> the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? YES/NO

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<sup>2</sup> Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.

3.6 I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

Signature	Date
Position	Name of bidder

SBD 6.2

## DECLARATION CERTIFICATE FOR LOCAL PRODUCTION AND CONTENT FOR DESIGNATED SECTORS

This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids invited. It contains general information and serves as a declaration form for local content (local production and local content are used interchangeably).

Before completing this declaration, bidders must study the General Conditions, Definitions, Directives applicable in respect of Local Content as prescribed in the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011, the South African Bureau of Standards (SABS) approved technical specification number SATS 1286:2011 (Edition 1) and the Guidance on the Calculation of Local Content together with the Local Content Declaration Templates [Annex C (Local Content Declaration: Supporting Schedule to Annex C) and E (Local Content Declaration: Supporting Schedule to Annex C)].

## 1. General Conditions

- 1.1. Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011 (Regulation 9) makes provision for the promotion of local production and content.
- 1.2. Regulation 9.(1) prescribes that in the case of designated sectors, where in the award of bids local production and content is of critical importance, such bids must be advertised with the specific bidding condition that only locally produced goods, services or works or locally manufactured goods, with a stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content will be considered.
- 1.3. Where necessary, for bids referred to in paragraph 1.2 above, a two stage bidding process may be followed, where the first stage involves a minimum threshold for local production and content and the second stage price and B-BBEE.
- 1.4. A person awarded a contract in relation to a designated sector, may not sub-contract in such a manner that the local production and content of the overall value of the contract is reduced to below the stipulated minimum threshold.
- 1.5. The local content (LC) expressed as a percentage of the bid price must be calculated in accordance with the SABS approved technical specification number SATS 1286: 2011 as follows:

$$LC = [1 - x / y] * 100$$

## Where

x is the imported content in Rand

y is the bid price in Rand excluding value added tax (VAT)

Prices referred to in the determination of x must be converted to Rand (ZAR) by using the exchange rate published by South African Reserve Bank (SARB) at 12:00 on the date of advertisement of the bid as indicated in paragraph 4.1 below.

The SABS approved technical specification number SATS 1286:2011 is accessible on http://www.thedti.gov.za/industrial development/ip.jsp at no cost.

- 1.6 A bid may be disqualified if -
  - (a) this Declaration Certificate and the Annex C (Local Content Declaration: Summary Schedule) are not submitted as part of the bid documentation; and
  - (b) the bidder fails to declare that the Local Content Declaration Templates (Annex C, D and E) have been audited and certified as correct.

## 2. Definitions

- 2.1. "bid" includes written price quotations, advertised competitive bids or proposals;
- 2.2. "bid price" price offered by the bidder, excluding value added tax (VAT);
- 2.3. "contract" means the agreement that results from the acceptance of a bid by an organ of state;
- 2.4. "designated sector" means a sector, sub-sector or industry that has been designated by the Department of Trade and Industry in line with national development and industrial policies for local production, where only locally produced services, works or goods or locally manufactured goods meet the stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content;
- 2.5. "duly sign" means a Declaration Certificate for Local Content that has been signed by the Chief Financial Officer or other legally responsible person nominated in writing by the Chief Executive, or senior member / person with management responsibility(close corporation, partnership or individual).
- 2.6. "imported content" means that portion of the bid price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or its subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad (this includes labour or intellectual property costs), plus freight and other direct importation costs, such as landing costs, dock duties, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African port of entry;
- 2.7. "local content" means that portion of the bid price which is not included in the imported content, provided that local manufacture does take place;
- 2.8. "stipulated minimum threshold" means that portion of local production and content as determined by the Department of Trade and Industry; and
- 2.9. "sub-contract" means the primary contractor's assigning, leasing, making out work to, or employing another person to support such primary contractor in the execution of part of a project in terms of the contract.
- 3. The stipulated minimum threshold(s) for local production and content (refer to Annex A of SATS 1286:2011) for this bid is/are as follows:

	<u>Description of services</u> , works or goods	Stipulated minimum threshold
	Mattresses	80%
	Blankets	100%
	Face cloths	100%
	Wet wipes	100%
4.	Does any portion of the services, wor have any imported content? (Tick applicable box)  YES  NO	ks or goods offered
4.1	prescribed in paragraph 1.5 of the ge	used in this bid to calculate the local content as neral conditions must be the rate(s) published by 00 on the date of advertisement of the bid.
The	relevant rates of exchange information is	s accessible on www.reservebank.co.za.
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NB:	Bidders must submit proof of the SARB	rate (s) of exchange used.
5.	Were the Local Content Declaration	remplates (Annex C, D and E) audited and certified
	as correct? (Tick applicable box)	
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6. Where, after the award of a bid, challenges are experienced in meeting the stipulated minimum threshold for local content the dti must be informed accordingly in order for the dti to verify and in consultation with the AO/AA provide directives in this regard.

## LOCAL CONTENT DECLARATION (REFER TO ANNEX B OF SATS 1286:2011)

LOCAL CONTENT DECLARATION BY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OR OTHER LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE PERSON NOMINATED IN WRITING BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OR SENIOR MEMBER/PERSON WITH MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY (CLOSE CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP OR INDIVIDUAL)

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SSUED BY: (Procurement Authority / Name of Institution): SASSA NB	
The obligation to complete, duly sign and submit this declaration cannot an external authorized representative, auditor or any other third party active bidder.	
Guidance on the Calculation of Local Content together with Local Cortemplates (Annex C, D and E) is accessible on <a href="http://www.thdti.development/ip.jsp">http://www.thdti.development/ip.jsp</a> . Bidders should first complete Declaration D. A Declaration D, bidders should complete Declaration E and then consolidate on Declaration C. Declaration C should be submitted with the bid documents of the bid in order to substantiate the declar paragraph (c) below. Declarations D and E should be kept by the bidder ourposes for a period of at least 5 years. The successful bidder is required update Declarations C, D and E with the actual values for the duration of the content of	gov.za/industria After completing the information mentation at the tration made in the for verification to continuously
l, the undersigned,do hereby declare, in my capacity as(rentity), the following:	
(a) The facts contained herein are within my own personal knowledge.	
(b) I have satisfied myself that:	
<ul> <li>the goods/services/works to be delivered in terms of the about comply with the minimum local content requirements as specific as measured in terms of SATS 1286:2011; and</li> <li>the declaration templates have been audited and certified to the content of the declaration templates.</li> </ul>	ed in the bid, and
(c) The local content percentage (%) indicated below has been calculated upiven in clause 3 of SATS 1286:2011, the rates of exchange indicated in above and the information contained in Declaration D and E which has been Declaration C:	n paragraph 4.1
Bid price, excluding VAT (y)	R
Imported content (x), as calculated in terms of SATS 1286:2011	R
Stipulated minimum threshold for local content (paragraph 3 above)	
Local content %, as calculated in terms of SATS 1286:2011	

If the bid is for more than one product, the local content percentages for each product contained in Declaration C shall be used instead of the table above.

The local content percentages for each product has been calculated using the formula given in clause 3 of SATS 1286:2011, the rates of exchange indicated in paragraph 4.1 above and the information contained in Declaration D and E.

- (d) I accept that the Procurement Authority / Institution has the right to request that the local content be verified in terms of the requirements of SATS 1286:2011.
- (e) I understand that the awarding of the bid is dependent on the accuracy of the information furnished in this application. I also understand that the submission of incorrect data, or data that are not verifiable as described in SATS 1286:2011, may result in the Procurement Authority / Institution imposing any or all of the remedies as provided for in Regulation 13 of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011 promulgated under the Preferential Policy Framework Act (PPPFA), 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

SIGNATURE:	DATE:
WITNESS No. 1	DATE:
WITNESS No. 2	DATE:

SATS 1286.2011 **Total Imported** Note: VAT to be excluded from all calculations (C19) Total tender value imported content (C23) Total Imported content (C24) Total local content (C25) Average local content % of tender Total exempted Tender summary (C18) (C21) Total Exempt imported content (C22) Total Tender value net of exempt imported content (C17) (C20) Total tender value Tender (219) Q ţ **Local Content Declaration - Summary Schedule** content % (per item) Local (C15) Local value (C14) **Annex C** GBP Calculation of local content **Imported** value (CI3) Tender value exempted imported content net of (C12) Exempted imported value (C11) Tender price -(excl VAT) (C10) Pula List of items Signature of tenderer from Annex B <u>(6)</u> Specified local content % Fendering Entity name: Fender Exchange Rate: Designated product(s) ender description: ender Authority: Tender item Tender No. no's (83) Date: 



THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE ACCREDITATION OF SERVICE PROVIDERS TO SUPPLY AND ISSUE IMMEDIATE SOCIAL RELIEF OF DISTRESS (SRD) FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS IN AN INCIDENCE OF A DISASTER IN THE WESTERN CAPE

## **ACRONYMS**

**B-BBEE**: Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment

CIPC : Companies and Intellectual Property Commission

CSD : Central Supplier Database

SABS : South African Bureau of Standards

SANAS : South African National Accreditation System

SASSA : South African Social Security Agency

SBD : Standard Bidding Documents

SLA : Service Level Agreement

SRD : Social Relief of Distress

TCC : Tax Clearance Certificate

VAT : Value Added Tax

WC : Western Cape

#### **GLOSSARY**

1. Agency: The South African Social Security Agency

established by the South African Social Security

Agency Act, 2004.

2. Co-operatives: Means an autonomous association of persons

united voluntarily to meet their common economic and social needs and aspirations through a jointly owned and democratically controlled enterprise organized and operated on co-operative

principles.

**3. CSD:** Is a single database that will serve as the source

of all supplier information for organs of state.

The supplier information will be verified with institutions such as the South African Revenue Service, Companies and Intellectual Property

Commission, Department of Home Affairs, etc.

**4. Disaster:** A disaster is when an unforeseen event impacts

on a community, household or individual to the extent that available resources cannot cope with

the problem effectively.

**5. Local Content**: Means that portion of the bid price which is not

included in the imported content, provided that

local manufacturing does take place.

6. SASSA: South African Social Security Agency mandated

by the Social Assistance Act No. 3 of 2004.

**7. SBD**: Standard Bidding Form for the procurement of

goods and services.

**8. Service provider**: Any person or entity excluding employees of the

Agency, who renders service for and on behalf

of the Agency.

9. SLA:

Is a contract between a service provider and its internal or external customers, that documents what services the provider will furnish, and defines the service standards the provider is obligated to meet.

10. Small Business:

Means a separate and distinct business entity, including co-operative enterprises and non-governmental organisations, managed by one owner or more which, including its branches or subsidiaries, if any, predominantly carried on in any sector or subsector of the economy mentioned in column 1 of the Schedule and which can be classified as a micro-, a very small, a small or a medium enterprise by satisfying the criteria mentioned in column 3, 4 and 5 of the Schedule opposite the smallest relevant size or class as mentioned in column 2 of the Schedule (Act no: 102 of 1996 National Small Business Act).

11. SRD:

Refers to immediate in response to a crisis situation in respect of an individual, a family, or a community.

12. Stipulated minimum:

Means that portion of local production and content as stipulated by Department of Trade and Industry.

13. Threshold:

Determined by the Department of Trade and Industry.

14. Certificate of Acceptability: Is a certificate for food handling business, a permit which confirms that a food handling organisation is conforming to basic food safety.

organisation is conforming to basic food safety and hygiene requirements Regulation R638

gazette 41730 gazette on 22 June 2018

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) also refered to as "the Agency" has been established in terms of the South African Social Security Agency Act, 2004 (Act No.9 of 2004). SASSA is a schedule 3A public entity in terms of the Public Finance Management Act 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999, as amended), and is responsible for the management, administration and payment of social assistance.

## 2. PURPOSE

To secure the services of suitable service providers to be accredited to supply and issue immediate social relief at both district and local office levels to eligible person(s) who have been affected by a disaster in the Western Cape (WC). The suitable service providers that are interested should note that the duration for the required accreditation will be for a period of three (3) years or as determined by the Agency.

#### 3. BACKGROUND

Social Relief of Distress (SRD) means the meeting of the basic needs of indigent persons by means of the rendering of temporary and immediate material assistance. SRD is an immediate response to a crisis situation in respect of an individual (adult or child), a family or a community in the case of a disaster; or undue hardship. A disaster incident is a situation that may lead to a disruption, loss, emergency or crisis of a magnitude that exceeds the ability of those affected by the incident to cope with its effects using only their own resources.

Regulation 11(1)(a) of the Social Assistance Act dictates that a person affected by disasters whether declared or not declared may qualify for social relief of distress, in terms of Disaster Management Act 2002 ( Act No. 57 of 2002). Therefore, the Agency has a mandate to provide the necessary but temporary relief, in collaboration with other key stakeholders to individuals, households, and communities affected by a disaster.

## 4. LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

SASSA is obliged to respond and assist the affected persons in accordance with the following enabling legislation and standard operating procedure:

Social Assistance Amendment Act, Act No. 16 of 2020

Social Assistance Regulations as amended

Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act 57 of 2002)

Social Relief of Distress Standard Operating Procedure, October 2022

## 5. SCOPE OF WORK

The accredited service providers will be required on activation to:

- 5.1 Deliver on the required quantities and qualities of items as per Annexure A (Specification and Pricing) as determined by the Agency through an assessment of a disaster incident.
- 5.2 Deliver and issue the required items to the identified disaster site within the timeframe specified in the Service Level Agreement (SLA). Delivering and issuing to be coordinated by the following SASSA Local Offices:
  - 5.2.1 Metro 1 District (Athlone, Bellville, Khayelitsha, Wynberg)
  - 5.2.2 Metro 2 District (Cape Town, Eerste River, Gugulethu, Mitchells Plain)
  - 5.2.3 Eden Karoo District (Beaufort West, George, Oudtshoorn)
  - 5.2.4 West Coast District (Vredenburg, Vredendal)
  - 5.2.5 Boland Overberg District (Caledon, Paarl, Worcester)

## 6. EVALUATION OF BID

## 6.1 Phase One: Mandatory Requirements

- 6.1.1 Submit business profile which must include the following:
  - · Core business
  - · Years of experience
  - Business references
  - Official business address.
- 6.1.2 Submit a valid Certificate of Acceptability for food preparation and prepacked food transportation (Original or certified copy not older than 3 months).
- 6.1.3 Attend at least one compulsory briefing session and sign the attendance register.
- 6.1.4 Signed Annexure A (Specification and Pricing)

Service Providers who fail to comply to the above-mentioned mandatory requirements will be disqualified and not proceed to Phase Two.

#### 6.2 Phase Two: Local Production and Content

- 6.2.1 Only locally produced goods and services with the stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content will be considered.
  - 6.2.1.1 Mattresses 80% local content;
  - 6.2.1.2 Blankets 100% local content;
  - 6.2.1.3 Face Cloths 100% local content and;
  - 6.2.1.4 Wet Wipes 100% local content
- 6.2.2 A bid will be disqualified if:
  - 6.2.2.1 it fails to achieve the minimum threshold for local production and content; and
  - 6.2.2.2 a completed declaration certificate for local content is not submitted as part of the bid documentation SBD 6.2 (local content production) and Annexure C.

## 6.3 Phase Three : Administrative Compliance

- 6.3.1 Completed and signed SBD 1 (Invitation to Bid);
- 6.3.2 Completed and signed SBD 4 (Declaration of Interest);
- 6.3.3 Tax compliance status pin number certificate; and
- 6.3.4 Central Supplier Database (CSD) registration report.

## 7. BID SUBMISSION

- 7.1 Bidders must submit their bids on or before the stipulated closing date, place and time. Late bids will not be considered;
- 7.2 The Agency reserves the right to cancel or not to award the bid to any bidder;
- 7.3 The Agency will not be held liable for any expenses incurred by a bidder in preparing and submitting the bid;
- 7.4 In order to evaluate and adjudicate bids effectively, all bids must be responsive. To ensure a bid will be regarded as responsive, it is imperative to comply with all conditions pertaining to the evaluation criteria;
- 7.5 Each bidder must attach all applicable documents in support of its bid;
- 7.6 Each bid, once submitted, constitutes a binding and irrevocable offer to provide the services on the terms set out in the bid, which offer cannot be amended or withdrawn after its date of submission;
- 7.7 SASSA is not obliged to accept or consider any bid in full or in part or any responses or submissions in relation thereto and SASSA may reject any bid. SASSA reserves the right to accredit more than one bidder whose bid successfully conforms to the criteria and the requirements as well as aligns to the terms and conditions contained in SASSA's terms of reference:

- 7.8 Bidders shall be disqualified if found to have misrepresented information in their bid proposals;
- 7.9 The accreditation of the successful bidder/s is subject to the conclusion of the SLA between SASSA and the successful bidder/s, governing all rights and obligations related to the required services. The SLA shall be prepared by SASSA to include such terms and conditions commonly included in agreements of such nature, together with any other terms and conditions which are required by SASSA (whether arising from the specifications of the successful bidder's proposal or otherwise);
- 7.10 Bid proposals are valid for 90 calender days after the closing of the bid.
- 7.11 Interested bidders may ask for clarification during business hours, Monday to Friday (7:30- 16:00) and no less than two (2) business days before the deadline for submission of the bid. All requests for clarification must be submitted via e-mail to (wcbids@sassa.gov.za).

## 8. CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

- 8.1 The general conditions of contracts as set out by the National Treasury will be applicable in all instances;
- 8.2 Accredited service providers must take full responsibility and accountability to execute functions attached to the contract. Under no circumstances will the Agency engage with sub-contractors or parties associated with the service provider, including bidders' main suppliers or manufacturers:
- 8.3 Delivery notes should be sent together with consignment of immediate social relief to delivery points. These should be signed for by the receiving official upon receipt and verification of goods. (Immediate relief with faults or not complying with the specifications will not be received / accepted; therefore no payment will be made for such items);

- 8.4 An itemized Goods Received Voucher (GRV) must be completed and signed by an authorized SASSA official;
- 8.5 The service providers must provide SASSA with an itemized invoice in respect of goods supplied to as agreed within 30 days after services rendered;
- 8.6 Only when beneficiaries received and signed for the immediate social relief can service provider/s submit their delivery note and invoice;
- 8.7 Service provider/s must sign a Service Level Agreement with SASSA before providing any service. Upon being satisfied that the service provider/s are legally entitled to such payment, the Agency shall pay the service providers the total amount invoiced within thirty (30) days of receipt of an original valid tax invoice; and
- 8.8 The successful accredited service provider/s will have to comply with all requirements agreed with SASSA Western Cape, as stipulated in the Service Level Agreement (SLA).

## 9. PRICE

- 9.1 The price as indicated in Annexure A: the fixed price is exclusive of VAT. All variable (operational costs) costs such as overhead costs, preparation of the food, transportation, storage, security, packaging of immediate social relief, loading and off-loading, staffing etc. must be build into the quotations received from service provider/s. The price is inclusive of delivery and includes delivery anywhere within the boundaries of the Western Cape.
- 9.2 Service provider/s that are not VAT registered may not charge the Agency for any VAT as stipulated in the Service Level Agreement (SLA).
- 9.3 Prices will be adjusted in accordance with SASSA directive. The price and relief to be provided may change from time to time, as directed by SASSA.

## 10. PENALTIES

10.1 Penalties may also be applied to accredited service provider/s in terms of provisions of the General Conditions of Contract (GCC).

## 11. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN SOCIAL SECURITY AGENCY(SASSA)

11.1 Accreditation of service provider/s may be terminated in terms of the General Conditions of Contract (GCC).

## 12. COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSIONS

12.1 Compulsory briefing sessions will be conducted on a date, time and venue as determined by SASSA.

Note: It is compulsory for bidders to at least attend one (1) briefing session.

## LIST OF ANNEXURES ATTACHED:

**ANNEXURE A: Specifications and Pricing** 

		fication and Pricing: Updated in line with the SOP	
Item	Item Description (per person)	Specification	Price per person
Breakfast	Tea or Coffee with milk and sandwiches (four slices of bread) /and porridge per person	Tea, coffee and milk and sugar to be in a sachet.  Six sachets of sugar (for coffee or tea and porridge).  Sandwiches: bread with butter and filling of cold meat or cheese.  250g of oats or mealie meal in a sachet.  250ml styrofoam cup and plastic spoon.  500ml of styrofoam bowl for porridge.  NOTE: Urn with hot water, spoons and styrofoam bowl for porridge to be on site.	R75.00
Lunch	A fruit, sandwich (four slices of bread) and fruit juice or soft drink	Fresh seasonal fruit (apple or banana or orange or peach or pear). Sandwiches - same specifications as breakfast. Fruit juice: 100%, 250ml. Soft drink: 330ml. NOTE: the above must be packaged per person.	R90.00
Dinner	Tea, red meat or chicken stew with vegetables, rice or pap or samp	Tea - same specifications as breakfast. Three sachets of sugar. 500ml styrofoam bowl with red meat or chicken. Vegetables and at least one serving spoon of rice or pap or samp. Stew to include at least 100g of red meat or 100g of chicken with at least two vegetables. NOTE: Urn with hot water, spoons to eat and styrofoam bowls to be on site.	R130.00
Single Bed Blanket	One single blanket	150 x 200mm fur pile, 90% acrylic & 10% polyester (assorted colours)	R450.00
Single bed Mattress	One single thick foam mattress	Envelope Cover / spunbond material. Length: 1880mm Width: 760mm Height/thickness: 150mm	R650.00
Baby Pack	1 Baby Pack: (30 disposable nappies, 100g baby soap, 100g Vaseline, face cloth, a pack of 40 baby wipes, 250g baby cereal and 900g baby formula (at an amount not exceeding the value of a child support grant)	NOTE: Baby Pack must be packed in a sealed container. The value of the baby pack must not exceed the amount of a Child Support Grant.	R500.00
Male Vanity Pack	1 Vanity Pack: 1 toothbrush; 100ml toothpaste; 3 disposable shaving blades; 1 roll toilet paper (single ply, at least 350 sheets); 1 face cloth; 1 roll-on deodorant (at least 50ml); 1 bar of soap (at least 150g); 100g Vaseline	NOTE: Male Vanity Pack must be packed in a sealed container.	R270.00
Female Vanity Pack	1 Vanity Pack: 1 toothbrush; 100ml toothpaste; 20 x sanitary pads; 1 roll toilet paper (single ply, at least 350 sheets); 1 face cloth; 1 roll-on deodorant (at least 50ml); 1 bar of soap (at least 150g); 100g Vaseline	NOTE: Female Vanity Pack must be packed in a sealed container.	R300.00

	1 toothbrush;	
	100ml toothpaste;	
	20 x sanitary pads;	
	1 roll toilet paper (single ply, at least 350	
	sheets);	
	1 face cloth;	
	1 roll-on deodorant (at least 50ml);	
	1 bar of soap (at least 150g);	
	100g Vaseline	
Signature:  Name and Surname:  Designation:  Date:		

## THE NATIONAL TREASURY

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# GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

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## **NOTES**

The purpose of this document is to:

- (i) Draw special attention to certain general conditions applicable to government bids, contracts and orders; and
- (ii) To ensure that clients be familiar with regard to the rights and obligations of all parties involved in doing business with government.

In this document words in the singular also mean in the plural and vice versa and words in the masculine also mean in the feminine and neuter.

- The General Conditions of Contract will form part of all bid documents and may not be amended.
- Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) relevant to a specific bid, should be compiled separately for every bid (if (applicable) and will supplement the General Conditions of Contract. Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions in the SCC shall prevail.

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#### **General Conditions of Contract**

#### 1. Definitions

- 1. The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:
- 1.1 "Closing time" means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
- 1.2 "Contract" means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
- 1.3 "Contract price" means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
- 1.4 "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of any thing of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
- 1.5 "Countervailing duties" are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.
- 1.6 "Country of origin" means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
- 1.7 "Day" means calendar day.
- 1.8 "Delivery" means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.
- 1.9 "Delivery ex stock" means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.
- 1.10 "Delivery into consignees store or to his site" means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the supplies are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
- 1.11 "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of

- origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA.
- 1.12 "Force majeure" means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.
- 1.13 "Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.
- 1.14 "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.15 "Goods" means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.
- 1.16 "Imported content" means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the supplies covered by the bid will be manufactured.
- 1.17 "Local content" means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- 1.18 "Manufacture" means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.
- 1.19 "Order" means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.
- 1.20 "Project site," where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
- 1.21 "Purchaser" means the organization purchasing the goods.
- 1.22 "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.23 "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.24 "Services" means those functional services ancillary to the supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance,

training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.

1.25 "Written" or "in writing" means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

## 2. Application

- 2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.
- 2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works.
- 2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.

#### 3. General

- 3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.
- 3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from www.treasury.gov.za

## 4. Standards

- 4.1 The goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.
- 5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection.
- 5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.
- 5.2 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.
- 5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier's performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.
- 5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier's records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.

## 6. Patent rights

6.1 The supplier shall indemnify the purchaser against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights

arising from use of the goods or any part thereof by the purchaser.

## 7. Performance security

- 7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, the successful bidder shall furnish to the purchaser the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.
- 7.2 The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the purchaser as compensation for any loss resulting from the supplier's failure to complete his obligations under the contract.
- 7.3 The performance security shall be denominated in the currency of the contract, or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the purchaser and shall be in one of the following forms:
  - (a) a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the purchaser's country or abroad, acceptable to the purchaser, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the purchaser; or
  - (b) a cashier's or certified cheque
- 7.4 The performance security will be discharged by the purchaser and returned to the supplier not later than thirty (30) days following the date of completion of the supplier's performance obligations under the contract, including any warranty obligations, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

## 8. Inspections, tests and analyses

- 8.1 All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.
- 8.2 If it is a bid condition that supplies to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage during production or execution or on completion be subject to inspection, the premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the Department or an organization acting on behalf of the Department.
- 8.3 If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned.
- 8.4 If the inspections, tests and analyses referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 show the supplies to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser.
- 8.5 Where the supplies or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such supplies or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.
- 8.6 Supplies and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.

- 8.7 Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analyzed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected supplies shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with supplies which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected supplies shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute supplies forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected supplies, purchase such supplies as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.
- 8.8 The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 23 of GCC.

## 9. Packing

- 9.1 The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size and weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.
- 9.2 The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall comply strictly with such special requirements as shall be expressly provided for in the contract, including additional requirements, if any, specified in SCC, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.

## 10. Delivery and documents

- 10.1 Delivery of the goods shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the terms specified in the contract. The details of shipping and/or other documents to be furnished by the supplier are specified in SCC.
- 10.2 Documents to be submitted by the supplier are specified in SCC.

#### 11. Insurance

11.1 The goods supplied under the contract shall be fully insured in a freely convertible currency against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage and delivery in the manner specified in the SCC.

#### 12. Transportation

12.1 Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, this shall be specified in the SCC.

## 13. Incidental services

- 13.1 The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:
  - (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;
  - (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
  - (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual

- for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;
- (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and
- (e) training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.
- 13.2 Prices charged by the supplier for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the supplier for similar services.

#### 14. Spare parts

- 14.1 As specified in SCC, the supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the supplier:
  - (a) such spare parts as the purchaser may elect to purchase from the supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under the contract; and
  - (b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:
    - (i) Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and
    - (ii) following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested.

#### 15. Warranty

- 15.1 The supplier warrants that the goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The supplier further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the supplier, that may develop under normal use of the supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.
- 15.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in SCC.
- 15.3 The purchaser shall promptly notify the supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.
- 15.4 Upon receipt of such notice, the supplier shall, within the period specified in SCC and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, without costs to the purchaser.
- 15.5 If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s)

within the period specified in SCC, the purchaser may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract.

#### 16. Payment

- 16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.
- 16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfillment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.
- 16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.
- 16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.

#### 17. Prices

17.1 Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.

## 18. Contract amendments

- 18.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.
- 19. Assignment
- 19.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.

#### 20. Subcontracts

20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contracts if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.

## 21. Delays in the supplier's performance

- 21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.
- 21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
- 21.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.
- 21.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities

or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.

- 21.5 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of penalties.
- 21.6 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without canceling the contract, be entitled to purchase supplies of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.

#### 22. Penalties

22.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the purchaser shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the delayed goods or unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.

## 23. Termination for default

- 23.1 The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:
  - (a) if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2:
  - (b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
  - (c) if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.
- 23.2 In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.
- 23.3 Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years.

- 23.4 If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose it on the supplier.
- 23.5 Any restriction imposed on any person by the Accounting Officer / Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer / Authority, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the Accounting Officer / Authority actively associated.
- 23.6 If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:
  - (i) the name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser;
  - (ii) the date of commencement of the restriction
  - (iii) the period of restriction; and
  - (iv) the reasons for the restriction.

These details will be loaded in the National Treasury's central database of suppliers or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector.

- 23.7 If a court of law convicts a person of an offence as contemplated in sections 12 or 13 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, No. 12 of 2004, the court may also rule that such person's name be endorsed on the Register for Tender Defaulters. When a person's name has been endorsed on the Register, the person will be prohibited from doing business with the public sector for a period not less than five years and not more than 10 years. The National Treasury is empowered to determine the period of restriction and each case will be dealt with on its own merits. According to section 32 of the Act the Register must be open to the public. The Register can be perused on the National Treasury website.
- 24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights
- 24.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or antidumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a
  provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is
  increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is
  not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of
  any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional
  payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or
  countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such
  provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favourable
  difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the contractor to the
  State or the State may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any)
  which may otherwise be due to the contractor in regard to supplies or
  services which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in

terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him

## 25. Force Majeure

- 25.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.
- 25.2 If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.

## 26. Termination for insolvency

26.1 The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the purchaser.

## 27. Settlement of Disputes

- 27.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.
- 27.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.
- 27.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.
- 27.4 Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.
- 27.5 Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein,
  - (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and
  - (b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.

## 28. Limitation of liability

- 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;
  - (a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and

(b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.

## 29. Governing language

29.1 The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.

## 30. Applicable law

30.1 The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

#### 31. Notices

- 31.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice
- 31.2 The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.

## 32. Taxes and duties

- 32.1 A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.
- 32.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
- 32.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.

# 33. National 33.1 Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme

33.1 The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.

## 34 Prohibition of Restrictive practices

- In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder (s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding (or bid rigging).
- 34.2 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser, has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998.

34.3	If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), has / have been found guilty by the Competition Commission of the restrictive practice referred to above, the
	purchaser may, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided for, invalidate the bid(s) for such item(s) offered, and / or
	terminate the contract in whole or part, and / or restrict the bidder(s) or contractor(s) from conducting business with the public sector for a period
	not exceeding ten (10) years and / or claim damages from the bidder(s) or contractor(s) concerned.

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