

UK-Birmingham: clothing, footwear, luggage articles and accessories

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Contract notice

Supplies

Directive 2004/18/EC

## Section I: Contracting authority

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### I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: West Midland Ambulance Service

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Town: Birmingham

Postal code: B37 6RE

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**Additional information can be obtained from:**

the abovementioned address

**Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:**

the abovementioned address

**Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted:** the abovementioned address

### I.2. Type of the contracting authority

National or federal agency/office

### I.3. Main activity

Public order and safety

Health

### I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: yes

## Section II: Object of the contract

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### II.1. Description

#### II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

Ballistic body armour and PPE for the purpose of law and order maintenance.

#### II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Supplies

Purchase

Main site or place of performance: Nationwide.

NUTS code UK United Kingdom

#### II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Maximum number Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement  
: 2

**Duration of the framework agreement**

Duration in months: 36

**II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)**

The National Ambulance Resilience Unit (hosted by West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust) is responsible for co-coordinating and delivering a national specification for ballistic PPE to enable joint procurement by ambulance trusts and fire and rescue authorities.

A framework agreement for body armour, in accordance with HOSDB body armour standards: HG2, KR1 and RF1 (subject to further expansion in the specification).

The Body armour and PPE to be designed and manufactured specifically for use in the maintenance of law and order.

The National Ambulance Resilience Unit (hosted by West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust) is seeking through this tender process to set up a national supply framework and (West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust as the contracting authority) to directly award the requirements of the Ambulance Trust and fire and rescue authorities to the bidder(s) that scores the highest in accordance with the evaluation criteria that will be detailed in the invitation to tender.

Other purchasing authorities will undertake a mini-competition with the successful operators. The timeframes and requirements have been dictated to the National Ambulance Resilience Unit (hosted by West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust) by HM Government therefore West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust will conduct an accelerated restricted OJEU tender process, because of national security this is an urgent requirement.

**II.1.6. CPV code(s)**

18000000 Clothing, footwear, luggage articles and accessories, 18130000 Special workwear

**II.1.7. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

**II.1.8. Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

**II.1.9. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

**II.2. Scope of the procurement**

**II.2.1. Total quantity or scope**

Intitial quantity of `kits' to be purchased will be circa 3 000. Following this West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust cannot guarantee any level of business arising from the framework.

**II.2.2. Information about options**

**II.2.3. Information about renewals**

**II.3. Duration of the contract or time limit for completion**

**Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

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### **III.1. Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required**

#### **III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them**

#### **III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded**

#### **III.1.4. Contract performance conditions**

### **III.2. Conditions for participation**

#### **III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions: Suppliers instructions how to express interest in this tender:

1. Register your company on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once):
  - Browse to the eSourcing portal: <https://www.nhssourcing.co.uk> and click the link to register,
  - Accept the terms and conditions and click 'continue',
  - Enter your correct business and user details,
  - Note the username you chose and click 'Save' when complete,
  - You will shortly receive an e-mail with your unique password (please keep this secure).
2. Express an interest in the tender:
  - Login to the portal with the username/password,
  - Click the 'PQQs / ITTs Open To All Suppliers' link (these are pre-qualification questionnaires or invitations to tender open to any registered supplier),
  - Click on the relevant PQQ/ ITT to access the content,
  - Click the 'Express Interest' button at the top of the page,
  - This will move the PQQ /ITT into your 'My PQQs/ My ITTs' page (this is a secure area reserved for your projects only),
  - You can now access any attachments by clicking 'Buyer Attachments' in the 'PQQ/ ITT Details' box.
3. Responding to the tender:
  - Click 'My Response' under 'PQQ/ ITT Details', you can choose to 'Create Response' or to 'Decline to Respond' (please give a reason if declining),
  - You can now use the 'Messages' function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification,
  - Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the PQQ/ ITT,
  - There may be a mixture of online & offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available). You must then submit your reply using the 'Submit Response' button at the top of the page. If you require any further assistance please consult the online help, or contact the eTendering help desk.

#### **III.2.2. Economic and financial ability**

#### **III.2.3. Technical and professional ability**

#### **III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts**

### **III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts**

#### **III.3.1. Information about a particular profession**

#### **III.3.2. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **IV.1. Type of procedure**

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Accelerated restricted

Justification for the choice of accelerated procedure: HM Government have dictated the timeframes to the National Ambulance Resilience unit for delivery of the equipment (as detailed in the specification) for the reasons of national security time of the essence.

#### **IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged minimum number 4: and Maximum number 8

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: Responses to each of the questions in the PQQ must be provided to ensure a compliant submission.

It is envisaged between 4 and 8 suppliers will be invited to tender.

#### **IV.1.3. Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**

### **IV.2. Award criteria**

#### **IV.2.1. Award criteria**

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of Criteria below

1. Quality. Weighting 800

2. Price. Weighting 200

#### **IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction will be used: no

### **IV.3. Administrative information**

#### **IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority**

0048-12-H

#### **IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

no

#### **IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document**

Payable documents: no

#### **IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

14.2.2012 - 12:00

#### **IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

#### **IV.3.6. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English.

**IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

**IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders**

**Section VI: Complementary information**

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**VI.1. Information about recurrence**

**VI.2. Information about European Union funds**

**VI.3. Additional information**

The Contracting Authority intends to use an eTendering system in this procurement exercise and reserves the right to use a reverse auction.

**VI.4. Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1. Review body**

Official name: West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust

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**VI.4.2. Review procedure**

**VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

**VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

3.2.2012