

Question	Response
Do we need to have NICEIC accreditation as we are tendering for Asbestos removal only	No
Do we need to register on the AWARD® Virtual Tender Board in order to submit our tender	Login/Registration details for AWARD will be issued a week before Tender return date
Is it a mandatory requirement to get BPSS security clearance to work on the sites	Contractors do not have to get BPSS security clearance, however they would need to be escorted at all times by someone with the relevant security clearance. While this can be done for short visits to the site, and especially with current covid working restrictions, it could be problematic ensuring they have that escort at all times. it would be extremely beneficial but not essential if BPSS could be sought
Relevant to lot 6, you will require asbestos surveys to the establishments ahead of any refurbishments taking place, and we are to provide a maximum rate for these surveys	MWS site have had asbestos surveys carried out previously. However, there are occasions where suspected asbestos is identified during project works. It is these occasions that we would need the survey conducting. Rates should be provided for all Lots that are being applied for
Do you anticipate large refurbishment works being undertaken to all Maritime Warfare School (MWS) Establishments	Not in the duration of this contract
The deliverables for Lot 6 are limited to pdf survey reports only	That's fine
Asbestos checking (surveys) are to be carried out by UKAS ISO 17020 and ISO 17025 accredited suppliers and should follow HSG 264 and HSG 248 guidance	This has now been reflected in the Statement of Requirements
Can you confirm that, bearing in mind the short contract term, timescales remain the same and the contract will commence on 8th December 2020 and complete on 31st March 2021	The intention if for the contract to commence on or around 8 December 2020 with an initial expiry date of 31 March 2021
Are you looking for tenderers who can provide services for more than one Lot or are we able to bid just for Lot 7 – Asbestos Removals	Tenderers are allowed to bid for any number of Lots. Bidding for one lot is acceptable
So that we can gain a better understanding of the value of the works in Lot 7, can you please advise your historical spend for Asbestos Removal works	Over the last 3 years £15,000 to £20,000 has been spent on asbestos removal that would fall into the remit of this contract
Do you have a full specification for the works, and can you advise if any asbestos surveys have been carried out/are available?	Asbestos register is held onsite by DIO/AMEY and would be made available if called into investigate/remove asbestos.
Can you confirm what you are expecting tenderers to provide in respect of D22.A –	Yes. But these will only need to be provided if tenderers are selected for the framework

Quality and Safety plans. Are you looking for generic plans/templates?	
We understand that the commercial part of our bid will be assessed on our rate, can you confirm which figure you require under - Total Value of Tender (excluding VAT) of DEFFORM 47 ANNEX A – TENDER OFFER	As an exact number of tasks or limit of liability under each individual Lot has not been set and Tenders will be assessed on their pricing rates for each Lot, please enter your pricing rate on the DEFFORM 47. The Financial evaluation will be based on the figures within the Schedule of Requirements.
Please confirm that you are asking for asbestos surveys and sampling to be conducted in various sites	Yes, that is correct
Is NICEIC mandatory for asbestos checking	No
Are you able to confirm the of works involved under the asbestos lot (i.e. asbestos surveys, air monitoring, removal project management).	This name of this lot has been amended to Lot 6 – Asbestos Analytical and is to include Surveys, Testing, Spot testing, Refurb and demolition surveys, Sniff testing and Post removal testing
Is UKAS ISO 17020 / 17025 a mandatory requirement for the asbestos lot?	The following accreditation is required for suppliers wishing to bid for lot 6: 1) International Standard ISO/IEC 17025. (Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012). This covers the following a. Analysing samples of suspected asbestos-containing materials b. Measurement of the concentration of asbestos fibres in air (air monitoring) 2) International standard BS EN ISO/IEC
What is the required report format for Asbestos	This should be provided in PDF format by email to the relevant technical officer
What should the rates include, site time, reports, samples etc	An updated pricing rates table has now been provided. This should rates entered into this should be the standard maximum rate for to deliver the services. This should reflect the rate required for provision of services at the site and any additional pre or post site administrative activity. Rates paid within the contract will be for those hours on site (i.e. if an individual is required to do 1 hour of admin for every 7 hours on site, then only the 7 hours on site shall be paid so rates provided should reflect this). Any additional costs that may be required for a specific task that may arise (i.e. purchase of parts required to fix broken equipment) should not be included at this stage but will be taken into account in quotes provided for tasks under the framework
Are Sub-Contracts Form 1686 – Appendix 5 required	Forms 1686 are only required when sub-contracting and providing official-sensitive information. This form can be provided if required but it is not currently expected that

	Contractors will need to be provided with official-sensitive information in delivery of services
Are Compliance matrix/matrices	There are no additional compliance matrices. All items tenderers need to return are detailed in the checklist in the tender document
Should all documents must be returned in Microsoft Word format and not as PDF files	Documents can be returned as Word, Excel or PDF
Are you able to provide documentation to obtain BPSS certification and 4C's training	The process for 4C's training is currently under review. These are not required for tender submission and, if required, can be provided to any Contractors who are selected for the framework
How will prices for Lot 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 be evaluated as hourly rates cannot be provided for these	The pricing table has been updated to reflect alternative methods for pricing these, to either daily or weekly
Who will be sponsoring requests for BPSS clearances	If Contractors are unable to do this themselves, the Authority will sponsor requests where required
What will happen if a task requires input from Contractors on different lots	If any overarching task requires multiple Contractors to provide services, the separate elements will be looked at together and a plan put in place to coordinate with all relevant Contractors
If a Contractor on a specific Lot needs services that could potentially be covered under a separate Lot, how will the process work (i.e. a Contractor on Lot 1 requires use of a cherry picker, which Lot 8 covers)	If a Contractor is required to use their own personnel to operate or delivery any actions in order for them to provide the services they have been tasked with under their specific Lot, then they may arrange for this and included any related costs within their quote for that task. If a Contractor cannot or is not required to provide their own personnel and another service provided under the framework can provide that service then a plan will be put in place to coordinate this (i.e. if a Contractor on Lot 1 must have their own operator on a cherry picker, the cost for this can be included in their quote for the task on Lot 1. If a Contractor on Lot 1 does not need their own operator, then a Contractor on Lot 7 may be tasked with providing a cherry picker and personnel to support the task being completed under Lot 1).
Are all insurance/quality/safety plans required with the tender	At the tender stage, Tenderers will only need to confirm that they can provide these when required. Contractors who are selected and added to the framework will then be required to provide evidence of these before being allocated any tasks.