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## Information on Mandatory Declarations

**Part Tender**

1. Under Condition of Tendering F1, the Authority reserves the right to order some or part of your Tender. If your offer is subject to the Authority contracting for all the Contractor Deliverables, select ‘Yes’ and provide further details in your Tender.

**Minimum Order Quantities**

1. Where your offer is subject to minimum order quantities select ‘Yes’ and provide further details in your Tender.

**IPR Restrictions**

1. Where the Contractor Deliverables are subject to IPR that has been exclusively or part funded by Private Venture, Foreign Investment or otherwise than by Authority funding you must select ‘Yes’ in Annex A (Are the Contractor Deliverables subject to IPR that has been exclusively or part funded by Private Venture, Foreign Investment or otherwise than by Authority funding) .
2. If you have answered ‘Yes’ in Annex A (Offer) as directed by paragraph 3 above, you must provide details in your Tender of any Contractor Deliverable which will be, or is likely to be, subject to any IPR restrictions or any other restriction on the Authority’s ability to use or disclose the Contractor Deliverable, including export restrictions. In particular, you must identify:
   1. any restriction on the provision of information to the Authority; any restriction on disclosure or the use of information by the Authority; any obligations to make payments in respect of IPR, and any Patent or Registered Design (or application for either) or other IPR (including unregistered Design Right) owned or controlled by you or a Third Party;
   2. any allegation made against you, whether by claim or otherwise, of an infringement of Intellectual Property Rights (whether a Patent, Registered Design, unregistered Design Right, Copyright or otherwise) or of a breach of confidence, which relates to the performance of any resultant contract or subsequent use by or for the Authority of any Contractor Deliverables;
   3. the nature of any allegation referred to under sub-paragraph 4.b., including any obligation to make payments in respect of the Intellectual Property Right of any confidential information and / or;
   4. any action you need to take or the Authority is required to take to deal with the consequences of any allegation referred to under sub-paragraph 4.b.
3. You must, when requested, give the Authority details of every restriction and obligation referred to in paragraph 4. The Authority will not acknowledge any such restriction unless so notified under paragraph 4 or as otherwise agreed under any resultant Contract. You must also provide, on request, any information required for authorisation to be given under Section 2 of the Defence Contracts Act 1958.
4. If you have previously provided information under paragraphs 4 and 5 you can provide details of the previous notification, updated as necessary to confirm their validity.

**Notification of Foreign Export Control Restrictions**

1. If, in the performance of the Contract, you need to import into the UK or export out of the UK anything not supplied by or on behalf of the Authority and for which a UK import or export licence is required, you will be responsible for applying for the licence. The Authority will provide you with all reasonable assistance in obtaining any necessary UK import or export licence.
2. In respect of any Contractor Deliverables, likely to be required for the performance of any resultant contract, you must provide the following information in your Tender:
   1. Whether all or part of any Contractor Deliverables are or will be subject to:
3. a non-UK export licence, authorisation or exemption; or
4. any other related transfer control that restricts or will restrict end use, end user, re-transfer or disclosure.

You must complete DEFFORM 528 (or other mutually agreed alternative format) in respect of any Contractor Deliverables identified at paragraph 8 and return it as part of your Tender. If you have previously provided this information you can provide details of the previous notification and confirm the validity.

1. You must use reasonable endeavours to obtain sufficient information from your potential supply chain to enable a full response to paragraph 8. If you are unable to obtain adequate information, you must state this in your Tender. If you become aware at any time during the competition that all or part of any proposed Contractor Deliverable is likely to become subject to a non-UK Government Control through a Government-to-Government sale only, you must inform the Authority immediately by updating your previously submitted DEFFORM 528 or completing a new DEFFORM 528.
2. This does not include any Intellectual Property specific restrictions mentioned in paragraph 4.
3. You must notify the named Commercial Officer immediately if you are unable for whatever reason to abide by any restriction of the type referred to in paragraph 8.
4. Should you propose the supply of Contractor Deliverables of US origin the export of which from the USA is subject to control under the US International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR), you must include details on the DEFFORM 528. This will allow the Authority to make a decision whether the export can or cannot be made under the US-UK Defense Trade Co-operation Treaty. The Authority shall then convey its decision to the Tenderer. If the Authority decides that use of the Treaty for the export is permissible, it is your responsibility to make a final decision whether you want to use that route for the export concerned if you are awarded the contract.

**Import Duty**

1. European Union (EU) legislation permits the use of various procedures to suspend customs duties.
2. For the purpose of this competition, for any deliverables not yet imported into the EU, you are required to provide details of your plans to address customs compliance, including the Customs procedures to be applied (together with the procedure code) and the estimated Import Duty to be incurred and / or suspended.
3. You should note that it is your responsibility to ensure compliance with all regulations relating to the operation of the accounting for import duties. This includes but is not limited to obtaining the appropriate Her Majesty’s Revenue & Customs (HMRC) authorisations.

**Sub-contracts Form 1686**

1. [Form 1686](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/710891/2018_May_Contractual_process.pdf) (also known as Appendix 5) is to be used in all circumstances where contractors wish to place a sub-contract with a contractor where the release of OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE information is involved. The process will require submission of the single page document either directly to the MOD Project Team or, where specified, to the DE&S Security Advice Centre. You can find further information in the [Security Policy Framework - Contractual Process](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/security-policy-framework).

**Small and Medium Enterprises**

1. The Authority is committed to supporting the Government’s small and medium-sized enterprise (SME) initiative; its ambitious target is that every £1 in every £3 that the Government spends should be with small businesses by 2020. Our goal is that 25% of MOD spending should be spent with SMEs by 2020; this applies to the money which the MOD spends directly with SMEs and through the supply chain. The Authority uses the European Commission definition of an SME.
2. A key aspect of the Government’s SME Policy is ensuring that its suppliers throughout the supply chain are paid promptly.  All suppliers to the Authority and their sub-contractors are encouraged to make their own commitment and register with the [Prompt Payment Code](http://www.promptpaymentcode.org.uk/).
3. Suppliers are also encouraged to work with the Authority to support the Authority’s SME initiative. Information on the Authority’s purchasing arrangements, our commercial policies and our SME policy can be found at [Gov.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence/about/procurement).
4. The opportunity also exists for Tenderers to advertise any sub-contract valued at over £10,000 in the MOD Contracts Bulletin and further details can be obtained directly from:

BiP Solutions Ltd

Web address: [www.contracts.mod.uk](http://www.contracts.mod.uk/feed)

Tel No: 0845 270 7099

**Transparency, Freedom of Information and Environmental Information Regulations**

1. You should be aware that the contents of any resultant contract may be published in line with government policy set out in the Prime Minister’s letter of May 2010 ([Government Transparency and Accountability](https://www.gov.uk/government/policies/government-transparency-and-accountability)) and the information contained within this tender.
2. Before publishing the contract, the Authority will redact any information which is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“the FOIA”) or the Environmental Information Regulations 2002 (“the EIR”).
3. You should complete the attached Tenderer’s Commercially Sensitive Information Form (DEFFORM 539A or SC1B Schedule 4 or SC2 Schedule 5) explaining which parts of your Tender you consider to be commercially sensitive. This includes providing a named individual who can be contacted with regard to FOIA and EIR.
4. You should note that while your views will be taken into consideration, the ultimate decision whether to publish or disclose information lies with the Authority. You are advised to provide as much detail as possible on the form. It is highly unlikely that a Tender will be exempt from disclosure in its entirety. Should the Authority decide to publish or disclose information against your wishes, you will be given prior notification.

**Electronic Purchasing**

1. Tenderers must note that use of the [Contracting, Purchasing and Finance (CP&F)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mod-contracting-purchasing-and-finance-e-procurement-system) electronic procurement tool is a mandatory requirement for any resultant contract awarded following this Tender. By submitting this Tender you agree to electronic payment. Please feel free to consult the service provider on connectivity options. Failure to accept electronic payment will result in your Tender being non-compliant.

**Change of Circumstances**

1. If you have not previously submitted a Statement Relating to Good Standing or circumstances have changed, please select ‘Yes’ and submit a Statement Relating to Good Standing with your Tender.

**Asbestos, Hazardous Items and Depletion of the Ozone Layer**

1. The Authority is required to report any items that use asbestos, that are hazardous or where there is an impact on the Ozone. Where any Contractor Deliverables fall into one of these categories select ‘Yes’ and provide further details in your Tender.

**Military Aviation Authority (MAA) Requirements**

28. In July 2011 the Military Aviation Authority (MAA) launched a new set of Regulatory Publications. Key to these is the Regulatory Articles (RA), which prescribe Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC) for each separate Regulation. Where there are MAA Requirements Tenderers who wish to propose an alternative means of compliance must obtain agreement in principle from the MAA (through the Project team) in advance of submitting their Tender. AMC are strongly recommended practices and a justification will be required if they are not followed. Tenderers must consult the MAA where there is more than one AMC. You must confirm how you intend to comply with the RA, and the date you consulted with the MAA.

**Bank or Parent Company Guarantee**

29. A Parent Company or Bank Guarantee may be required. In the event that your tender is identified as the most favourable / compliant tender, but MOD assesses that a Parent Company or Bank Guarantee is required, then one will be requested (in the form of DEFFORM 24 / 24A as appropriate). No contract will awarded until a suitable Parent Company or Bank Guarantee, as appropriate, is in place.

**The Armed Forces Covenant**

30. The Armed Forces Covenant is a promise from the nation to those who serve, or who have served, and their families, to ensure that they are treated fairly and are not disadvantaged in their day to day lives as a result of their service.

31. The Covenant is based on two principles:

1. the Armed Forces community would not face disadvantages when compared to other citizens in the provision of public and commercial services; and
2. special consideration is appropriate in some cases, especially for those who have given most such as the injured and the bereaved.

The Authority encourages all Tenderers, and their suppliers, to sign the Armed Forces Covenant, declaring their support for the Armed Forces community by displaying the values and behaviours set out therein.

32. [The Armed Forces Covenant](https://www.gov.uk/government/policies/armed-forces-covenant) provides guidance on the various ways you can demonstrate your support through your Covenant pledges and how by engaging with the Covenant and Armed Forces such as employing Reservists, a company or organization can also see real benefits in their business.

33. If you wish to register your support you can provide a point of contact for your company on this issue to the Armed Forces Covenant Team at the address below, so that the MOD can alert you to any events or initiatives in which you may wish to participate. The Covenant Team can also provide any information you require in addition to that included on the website.

Email address: [employerrelations@rfca.mod.uk](mailto:employerrelations@rfca.mod.uk)

Address: Defence Relationship Management

Ministry of Defence

Holderness House

51-61 Clifton Street

London, EC2A 4EY

34. Paragraphs 30 – 33 above are not a condition of working with the Authority now or in the future, nor will this issue form any part of the tender review, contract award procedure or any resulting contract. However, the Authority very much hopes you will want to provide your support.