CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE RELATED WORKS AT DEFENCE FORCES' LOCATIONS

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST IN INCLUSION ON TENDER PANELS

The Defence Forces operate facilities at various locations throughout the Republic of Ireland and have an ongoing requirement for contractors to carry out construction and various types of construction related minor works at the locations.

There are five administrative locations across the country, each termed a Brigade or a Formation.

The Formations (Fmns) are:

a) the Defence Forces Training Centre – responsible for work at the Curragh Camp, Co. Kildare and Coolmoney Camp, Co. Wicklow.

b) Naval Service – responsible for work at the Naval Base and Dockyard at Haulbowline, Co. Cork.

c) Air Corps – responsible for work at Casement Aerodrome, Baldonnel, Dublin 22.

The Brigade (Bde) areas are as follows and include all Barracks, training facilities and Reserve Defence Forces facilities in their respective geographic areas, apart from those looked after by the Formations listed above.

The Brigades are:

a) 1 Brigade – broadly the southern area of the country – including primary facilities in Cork, Limerick, Kilkenny, Galway, Tralee, Kilworth, Bere Island and Wexford.

b) 2 Brigade – broadly the northern area of the country – incl primary facilities in Dublin (McKee and Cathal Brugha), Dundalk, Athlone, Ballyshannon, Kilbride and Gormanston.

Projects costing less than €300,000 (excluding VAT) are tendered locally. The work required is carried out by contract and awarded using the PW CF6 Public Works Conditions of Contract ('Short Form').

The basis of award is lowest price, subject to the tenderer under consideration for the award being able to satisfy any criteria specified for the particular project.

Parties interested in being added to the panel maintained at each Brigade / Formation from which tender lists will be compiled are invited to complete an application form and submit the required supporting documentation.

Applicants will be required to submit a completed application form for each Brigade / Formation in which they are interested in inclusion on a tender panel.

The security status of the locations where work will be carried out requires that the principals / owners of all firms included on the tender panels submit to the Garda Vetting process and agree to the report provided by the Garda Vetting unit being taken into consideration in deciding on a firm’s suitability for inclusion (or retention) on a tender panel maintained by the Defence Forces.

Other items that will be considered in deciding on an applicant’s suitability for inclusion on a tender panel will be their experience in successfully completing projects within the previous five years, resources and evidence of Revenue compliance – i.e. Notice of Determination not more than 30 days old at date of submission and with a required withholding tax rate of not more than 20%. Completion of a ‘Personal Declaration’ form will also be required.
No commitment is offered or implied that applicants included on a tender panel will be offered an opportunity to tender for a project.

Tender panels will remain in use until further notice. The ongoing inclusion of panel members will be subject to review by the Defence Forces. Circumstance likely to lead to a member being reviewed include a repeated failure to respond to invitations to tender for projects, failure to submit a tender after receipt of tender documents, performance on projects awarded being unsatisfactory or a change in circumstances resulting in an inability to satisfy the criteria required for inclusion on a panel in the first instance.

APPLICATION

Please email: A13@defenceforces.ie for an application form stating the brigade(s)/formation(s) you are interested in applying for.