

**RT284**  
**SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF HYPODERMIC SYRINGES, NEEDLES AND BLOODLETTING DEVICES AND RELATED ITEMS TO THE STATE FOR THE PERIOD OF**  
**36 MONTHS**

#	Questions	Answers
1	What will be the quantity required for this contract?	Bidders are required to indicate the minimum order quantity that is allowable per order. I
2	Will the items not yet registered with SAHPRA be accepted?	To provide a list to the office so that the items can be confirmed with SAHPRA if they are not registered
3	As bidders will be paying for test reports, will it not be better to await for shortlisting as it is expensive?	Clause 6.3.4 TEST REPORTS of the SCC clearly stipulates the terms and conditions under TEST REPORT. Please take note of clause 6.3.4 and its sub sections. All bidders MUST comply with this requirement.
4	Paragraph 9 of the SCC reflect only 5 departments, of which only 2 provincial departments will be participating even if other department have been buying under RT284 contract, please clarify	The departments that are indicated under clause 9 of the SCC responded to the invitation to participate. National Treasury has made follow ups with other departments and will still do so.
5	Paragraph 7.1.3 of the SCC indicate that Latest Audited Annual Financial Statements must be submitted, what about the new company?	Bidders will be allowed to submit a letter from their auditors
6	Will the pricing be based on the market related price.	Yes, the pricing will be based on the market related price.
7	Will ample time be provided to submit the samples, as some of the samples are imported?	Bidders will be given 2-3 weeks to submit their samples, however that will be communicated accordingly.
8	in terms of samples, will sampling with the expired samples be accepted?	Expired samples will not be accepted as they may be taken further for evaluation. Samples not in the original packaging will not be accepted. No flat packs will be accepted.
9	We are confirming that the supplier doesn't need to submit proof of Test reports from SABS or a letter from SABS stating that the supply has submitted samples for testing before the closing of the bid? As long as the supplier has submitted all international standards stated in the above special conditions.  The supplier would only be requested to submit samples to SABS for testing, should they be shortlisted.	Clause 6.3.4 TEST REPORTS of the SCC clearly stipulates the terms and conditions under TEST REPORT. Please take note of clause 6.3.4 and its sub sections. All bidders MUST comply with this requirement.
10	Can a bidder bid on only the items they can supply or are we supposed to bid on all of the items?	Bidders are allowed to bid for any number of items they would like to offer.

11	What kind of biopsy gun is requested for item 42261508-00000, 42261508-00001 and 42261508-00002 : semi-automatic or automatic?	The biopsy gun for the said items is the manual one.
12	Please see attached page 19 of the SCC clause 3.3.5.4 and kindly clarify is we need to submit one sample representing a series.  For example, can we submit one sample for the below items if they are from the same manufacturer?	Individual sample should be submitted where different sizes and colour of the same product are called for. Bidders must submit the samples for each item offered for visual screening.
13	Could you kindly indicate the quantity of samples required per line item for visual screening?	Bidders are required to submit one sample for each line item (i.e. box of each item in the original packaging)
14	Paragraph 22.2.8.4 - The ROE to be used for this tender was not specified only a range was given so we can work the average ROE out, please indicate to which decimal point should the ROE be taken to or can NT provide an ROE for everyone to follow?	Please refer to addendum 2 published on the National Treasury Website and Etenders.
15	Insulin syringes have a SANS 1166 requirement, however, SABS dropped that specification last year and adopted the SANS 8537 this year, samples sent into SABS for testing now will all be tested on the SANS8537 which will also reflect on the test report. Will the SANS8537 test report be accepted?	SANS 8537:2022 has replaced outdated SANS 1166. Samples submitted will be tested in accordance with SANS 8537:2022.
16	Sterility certificate - If the manufacturer uses a third party to sterilise the products manufactured, would the third-party sterilization certificate also be accepted as they also form part of the manufacturing process	Yes it will be accepted. Accreditation will be verified
17	The bid calls for "Bidders must provide sterility certificate from the manufacturer. ISO17665-1:2006/ SANS 17665-1:2007 (previously ISO11134) and/or ISO11135 and/or EN Harmonizing standard for steam ISO11137 certificates to confirm the compliance of their sterilising facilities (physical buildings/structures where products are sterilised) to the prescribed requirements. This applies to all South African and international facilities where non-sterile products are sterilised. Failure to submit these documents will invalidate your bid	As per the requirement of the bid - Bidders must provide sterility certificate from the manufacturer.
18	Where the manufacturer outsources the sterility in the city of manufacturing, and the out sourced company has the required certificates as per above, what will be considered a proof that the manufacturer is using the sterilization company with the correct certification?	Sterilization certificates from the outsourced company and accompanying letter indicating that the manufacturer outsourced the sterility for thier products.
19	There are international regulation that if manufacturers are outsourcing gamma sterilization, that the outsourcing should be within a certain radius of where the goods are produced, how will this bid verify this?	Does the international regulation applies only for gamma sterilization? Or Ethylene oxide as well. If it only applies to gamma sterilization then bidders who use gamma sterilization should provide proof for the radius where gamma sterilization is performed.
20	Number 26 on the special conditions of contract, requires a TCD14, historical exchange rates, we do not see that document	The document is attached under Etenders portal and National Treasury Website.

21	I was informed by some third party that the tender RT284-2023 had been extended. Could you please confirm this info and to which date? Could you please provide us with the estimated volumes of lancets in the category items 41104102-00002, 41104102-00003, 41104102-00004, 41104102-00005, 41104102-00006	The tender is not extended. We currently do not have the volumes as the orders will be done as and when required.
22	Should the pricing quoted be fixed for all 3 years , or must we quote separately on Y1 , Y2 Y3 ??	Please refer to the following clauses under the special conditions of contract:  6.4.2 APPLICABLE TAXES 6.4.3 VALUE ADDED TAX 22.2.7 Price adjustment periods  In terms of fixing the price, the decision lies with the bidder as the office will allow for price adjustments.
23	I have the bid document, but I please need the description of the items. Where will I be able to find that?	The pricing schedule Annexure B have the item description
24	If the financials are required regardless, can we use the 2021 audited financials? As the auditors are still busy with the 2022 financials	You can use the 2021 audited financials
25	I need to find the entire bid document as I cannot find it in the internet.	The tender is accessible on both National Treasury website/Tender Info and Etenders Portal.  <a href="https://www.treasury.gov.za/divisions/ocpo/ostb/CurrentTenders.aspx">https://www.treasury.gov.za/divisions/ocpo/ostb/CurrentTenders.aspx</a> <a href="https://www.etenders.gov.za/Home/opportunities">https://www.etenders.gov.za/Home/opportunities</a>
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