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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOR RT75-1-2025 – SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF MALE AND FEMALE CONDOMS AND LUBRICANTS

BRIEFING SESSION

#	QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
1	For male condoms, will sample submission follow the previous process where Intertek collected from suppliers, or must suppliers submit directly to SABS?	Please contact SABS directly to confirm the current submission process, their contact details are in the Special Conditions of Contract (SCC). They manage testing and will advise on the method.
2	Where should the proof of sample submission go, email to the contract manager or upload it onto the portal?	Email the proof to the contract manager (Karabo Mmola) as soon as you receive it from SABS/SANAS, so that National Treasury can confirm submission for testing.
3	Our prior test reports (from the main tender) are expiring around March, what if we can't get new reports in time?	Test reports must not be older than the duration stipulated in the SCC at bid closing. If your reports are older, you must submit samples for retesting. If you don't have the test report by closing, submit sample receipt/acknowledgement from the testing institution within the stipulated timeframe.
4	If we already have a recent SABS test report (≤12 months), do we need to test again?	Submit the valid report as per the SCC. If older than the stipulated timeframe, retesting/samples are required.
5	How many samples/quantities must we submit for testing (youth condoms and lubricants)?	Liaise with the testing institution for the exact quantities. SABS for condoms and any SANAS accredited lab with lubricant accreditation for lubricants.
6	There are contradictions in SCC timelines (e.g., "14" vs "20" calendar days; "18" vs "12 months"). Which applies?	The correct number in paragraph 6.4.7.4 of the SCC is twenty calendar days in paragraph 6.4.7.7 is Eighteen (18) months.
7	If we use an overseas manufacturer, can we still participate?	This supplementary bid targets local manufacturers. Goods with local content and/or local value add will be allocated 100% of quantities as per the objective

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		criteria; importers are not eligible for those allocations. This condition of the bid remains.
8	With fewer known local manufacturers already awarded the main bid, isn't there oversubscription risk? Will a secondary supplementary bid be issued for importers?	Market analysis informed the local only approach. National Treasury believes the market can meet demand.
9	Why not run this as a closed bid inviting only known local manufacturers?	That would conflict with constitutional requirements for open, competitive, and transparent bidding. Public advertising is required even if market analysis suggests a small local supplier base.
10	The pricing schedule now has two columns—Local Content (locally sourced materials) and Local Production Process. If both are 100%, the total looks like 200%. How should we complete it?	The final score will be capped at 100%, not summed to 200%. Treasury uses both fields to see where inputs are sourced and where production occurs; the evaluation will not exceed 100%.
11	The Manufacturer's Capability Report: is it only for male condoms or also for lubricants? What must lubricant manufacturers submit?	For lubricants, a capability letter from the manufacturer is acceptable, indicating production capacity (monthly/annual units). For male youth condoms, a capability report is required as stated (SABS for condoms; with noted age limits).
12	SAHPRA license: when sourcing from a third party, must the license be in the bidder's name or the third party's?	The bidder must hold its own SAHPRA establishment license as well, even if sourcing from a third party, because medical devices are being handled.
13	SAHPRA license lead times are 8–12 weeks. Will proof of application be sufficient at bid closing?	Bidders are advised to submit what they have at closing date, and the evaluation committee will evaluate in line with SCC conditions.
14	For ISO 13485: If we submit proof of application at closing but can't obtain the certificate within 30 days due to certification body timelines, what then?	Concern noted; the standing SCC requires a valid certificate within 30 calendar days after bid closing when proof of application is submitted, failure may lead to disqualification.
15	Is company previous experience required for this supplementary bid?	If a requirement is not stated in the SCC for this supplementary bid, it is not required. Submitting it is optional and will not penalize you if omitted.
16	The closing date of 6 April 2026 falls on a public holiday. Will it move?	The closing date has been moved to 07 April 2026.
17	Totals mismatch in SCC: Table 3 shows 100 million total, but column sums show 80 million. Which is correct?	The correct total quantity is 80 000 000.