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About this republication

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This is a republication of the *Government Procurement Regulation 2007*, made under the *Government Procurement Act 2001* (including any amendment made under the *Legislation Act 2001*, part 11.3 (Editorial changes)) as in force on 15 January 2019. It also includes any commencement, amendment, repeal or expiry affecting this republished law to 15 January 2019.

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Penalties

At the republication date, the value of a penalty unit for an offence against this law is \$160 for an individual and \$810 for a corporation (see *Legislation Act* 2001, s 133).



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Part 1 Preliminary

1 Name of regulation

This regulation is the Government Procurement Regulation 2007.

3 Notes

A note included in this regulation is explanatory and is not part of this regulation.

Note See the Legislation Act, s 127 (1), (4) and (5) for the legal status of notes.

Part 2 Government procurement— quotation and tender thresholds

4 Application—pt 2

- (1) This part does not apply to procurement by the Territory or a territory entity under a standing-offer contract.
- (2) In this section:

standing-offer contract means a contract to supply goods, services or works or a common-use contract that the Territory or a territory entity may procure from time to time during a stated period.

5 Procurement of goods, services or works less than \$25 000

A territory entity must seek at least 1 oral quotation from a supplier for the procurement of goods, services or works if the total estimated value of the procurement is less than \$25 000.

6 Procurement of goods, services or works for \$25 000 or more and less than \$200 000

A territory entity must seek at least 3 written quotations from suppliers for the procurement of goods, services or works if the total estimated value of the procurement is \$25 000 or more and less than \$200 000.

9 Procurement of goods, services or works for \$200 000 or more

A territory entity must invite public tenders for the procurement of goods, services or works if the total estimated value of the procurement is \$200 000 or more.

10 Procurement of goods, services or works—exemption from quotation and tender requirements

- (1) The responsible chief executive officer for a territory entity may, in writing, exempt the entity from a requirement mentioned in section 6 or section 9 for a particular procurement proposal.
 - *Note* **Responsible chief executive officer**—see the Act, dictionary.
- (2) However, the responsible chief executive officer may exempt the entity only if satisfied, on reasonable grounds, that the benefit of the exemption outweighs the benefit of compliance with the requirement.

Examples—when exemption may be given

- only 1, or a limited number of, suppliers is available because of a need to buy equipment that is compatible with existing equipment, or because of a supplier's specialist knowledge
- 2 only 1 supplier can supply a particular good or service
- 3 standardisation of a product is agreed after public tenders are called for the original equipment
- 4 the time within which a particular procurement activity must be completed prevents public tenders being called
- 5 where a secondary objective of the procurement is to achieve an appreciable social or community benefit
- 6 the procurement is through a common use agreement established in another jurisdiction.

Note An example is part of the regulation, is not exhaustive and may extend, but does not limit, the meaning of the provision in which it appears (see Legislation Act, s 126 and s 132).

- (3) If the responsible chief executive officer exempts an entity, the chief executive officer may, in writing, direct the entity to do 1 or more of the following:
 - (a) seek a stated kind or number of quotations for the procurement;
 - (b) invite a tender from a stated supplier for the procurement.

- (4) An exemption must state—
 - (a) the procurement proposal to which it applies; and
 - (b) the responsible chief executive officer's reasons for giving the exemption; and
 - (c) any direction to which it is subject under subsection (3).

Part 3 Procurement proposals

11 Procurement proposals of territory entities—Act, s 6 (c)

- (1) The following procurement proposals of territory entities must be reviewed by the board:
 - (a) a procurement proposal that has a total estimated value of \$5 million or more, unless the proposal is covered by an endorsed strategic procurement plan;
 - (b) a procurement proposal of a territory entity (other than an administrative unit) that has a total estimated value of \$1 million or more, unless the proposal is covered by an endorsed strategic procurement plan;
 - (c) a procurement proposal in relation to information and communications technology that includes an element of system development or redesign and has a total estimated value of \$1 million or more;
 - (d) a disposal that has a total estimated value of \$1 million or more.
- (2) In this section:

endorsed strategic procurement plan means a procurement plan that—

- (a) states that it applies to separate procurement proposals, or activities, of a stated kind; and
- (b) has been endorsed by the board as a strategic procurement plan.

12 Procurement proposals—minimum requirements

- (1) This section applies to a procurement proposal that may be reviewed by the board.
- (2) The procurement proposal must—
 - (a) address the matters the entity must have regard to under the Act, section 22A (3) (Procurement principle—value for money); and
 - (b) include—
 - (i) the evaluation methodology to be used to decide the successful supplier; and
 - (ii) the evaluation criteria to be applied to the procurement; and
 - (iii) the contract management arrangements to be applied to the procurement.

Part 4 Secure local jobs code

12AC Labour relations, training and workplace equity plan—Act, s 22G (6) (b)

- (1) A tenderer's labour relations, training and workplace equity plan must state the following:
 - (a) how the tenderer will incorporate compliance with the code into its systems of work, operating procedures and policies;
 - (b) how the tenderer will ensure that all the tenderer's directors, executive managers and employees understand the tenderer's obligations under the code;
 - (c) how the tenderer will ensure that its subcontractors comply with the code;
 - (d) whether and how the tenderer will minimise insecure work arrangements, including the use of insecure work arrangements by any of its subcontractors;

Examples—insecure work arrangements

- · temporary employment arrangements
- casual employment arrangements
- (e) how the tenderer will support the physical and mental health of its employees, including with any health and well-being activities, to reduce the impact and incidence of impairment in the workplace;
- (f) how the tenderer will promote and support diversity in the tenderer's workforce;

Examples—promoting and supporting diversity

policies or strategies to address barriers to employment, or career development, for Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people, women, people with disability and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds

- (g) if the plan is submitted in relation to a procurement for services or works being provided by an existing contractor—whether and how the tenderer will support transmission of the existing contractor's employees to the tenderer;
- (h) if the plan is submitted in relation to a procurement valued at \$5 million or more—
 - (i) how the tenderer will provide workers in the ACT and surrounding region with the opportunity to apply for employment before undertaking recruitment outside the region; and
 - (ii) what training will be available to the tenderer's employees for their career development and to help them attain externally-recognised qualifications; and
 - (iii) whether the tenderer will provide internships, traineeships, cadetships or apprenticeships.
- (2) The plan must be developed in consultation with the tenderer's employees and include a statement about how this has been done.

12AD Details for secure local jobs code register—Act, s 22N (1) (c)

The following details are prescribed for each secure local jobs code certificate:

- (a) the identifying number for the certificate;
- (b) the period for which the certificate has been granted under the Act, section 22J:
- (c) the name of the approved auditor that completed the report under the Act, section 22I (2) (a) that was included with the application for the certificate;

(d) if the secure local jobs code certificate is held by an entity other than an individual—the entity's business address, phone number and email address.

Part 5	Notifiable contract, notifiable		
	amendment and notifiable		
	invoice thresholds		

- 12A Notifiable contract threshold—Act, s 25 (2) (a)
 - The prescribed amount is \$25 000.
- 12B Notifiable amendment threshold—Act, s 26 (a) (ii)

The prescribed amount is \$25 000.

12C Notifiable invoice threshold—Act, s 42A (1)

The prescribed amount is \$25 000.

Part 6 Miscellaneous

13 Procurement procedure

- (1) The Minister may give directions about the management of the procurement activities of territory entities.
- (2) A direction is a notifiable instrument.

Note A notifiable instrument must be notified under the Legislation Act.

(3) In this section:

territory entities does not include—

- (a) the Office of the Legislative Assembly; and
- (b) an officer of the Assembly.

14 Confidentiality of information—Act, s 35 (1) (a) (vi)

The following information is prescribed:

- (a) information that, if disclosed, would have a significant adverse effect on the financial or property interests of the Territory or of a territory entity;
- (b) information that, if disclosed, would unreasonably constrain the development or consideration of policy alternatives by government.

Endnotes

1 About the endnotes

Amending and modifying laws are annotated in the legislation history and the amendment history. Current modifications are not included in the republished law but are set out in the endnotes.

Not all editorial amendments made under the *Legislation Act 2001*, part 11.3 are annotated in the amendment history. Full details of any amendments can be obtained from the Parliamentary Counsel's Office.

Uncommenced amending laws are not included in the republished law. The details of these laws are underlined in the legislation history. Uncommenced expiries are underlined in the legislation history and amendment history.

If all the provisions of the law have been renumbered, a table of renumbered provisions gives details of previous and current numbering.

The endnotes also include a table of earlier republications.

2 Abbreviation key

CN = Commencement notice

A = Act NI = Notifiable instrument

 $\begin{aligned} \mathsf{AF} &= \mathsf{Approved} \; \mathsf{form} & \mathsf{o} &= \mathsf{order} \\ \mathsf{am} &= \mathsf{amended} & \mathsf{om} &= \mathsf{omitted/repealed} \end{aligned}$

amdt = amendment ord = ordinance
AR = Assembly resolution orig = original

ch = chapter par = paragraph/subparagraph

pres = present

def = definition prev = previous
DI = Disallowable instrument (prev...) = previously

DI = Disallowable instrument (prev...) = previously dict = dictionary pt = part

disallowed = disallowed by the Legislative r = rule/subrule

Assembly reloc = relocated

div = division renum = renumbered

exp = expires/expired

Gaz = gazette

hdg = heading

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R[X] = Republication No

RI = reissue

s = section/subsection

IA = Interpretation Act 1967 sch = schedule ins = inserted/added sdiv = subdivision LA = Legislation Act 2001 SL = Subordinate law LR = legislation register sub = substituted

LRA = Legislation (Republication) Act 1996 <u>underlining</u> = whole or part not commenced

mod = modified/modification or to be expired

3 Legislation history

Government Procurement Regulation 2007 SL2007-29

notified LR 28 September 2007 s 1, s 2 commenced 28 September 2007 (LA s 75 (1)) remainder commenced 1 October 2007 (s 2 and see Government Procurement Amendment Act 2007 A2007-11, s 2 and CN2007-14)

as amended by

Government Procurement Amendment Regulation 2009 (No 1) SL2009-17

notified LR 30 April 2009 s 1, s 2 commenced 30 April 2009 (LA s 75 (1)) remainder commenced 1 May 2009 (s 2)

Government Procurement Amendment Regulation 2012 (No 1) SL2012-10

notified LR 26 March 2012 s 1, s 2 commenced 26 March 2012 (LA s 75 (1)) remainder commenced 5 April 2012 (s 2 and see Government Procurement Amendment Act 2012 A2012-11 s 2)

Legislative Assembly (Office of the Legislative Assembly) Act 2012 A2012-26 sch 1 pt 1.5

notified LR 24 May 2012 s 1, s 2 commenced 24 May 2012 (LA s 75 (1)) sch 1 pt 1.5 commenced 1 July 2012 (s 2)

Officers of the Assembly Legislation Amendment Act 2013 A2013-41 sch 1 pt 1.4

notified LR 7 November 2013 s 1, s 2 commenced 7 November 2013 (LA s 75 (1)) sch 1 pt 1.4 commenced 1 July 2014 (s 2)

Government Procurement (Transparency in Spending) Amendment Act 2015 A2015-14 pt 3

notified LR 20 May 2015 s 1, s 2 commenced 20 May 2015 (LA s 75 (1)) pt 3 commenced 1 July 2015 (s 2 (1))

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Public Sector Management Amendment Act 2016 A2016-52 sch 1 pt 1.33

notified LR 25 August 2016 s 1, s 2 commenced 25 August 2016 (LA s 75 (1)) sch 1 pt 1.33 commenced 1 September 2016 (s 2)

Government Procurement (Secure Local Jobs) Amendment Regulation 2018 (No 1) SL2018-22

notified LR 22 November 2018 s 1, s 2 commenced 22 November 2018 (LA s 75 (1)) sch 1 awaiting commencement remainder commenced 15 January 2019 (s 2 (1))

Amendment history

4 **Amendment history**

Commencement

om R1 LA s 89 (4)

Procurement of goods, services or works less than \$25 000

sub SL2009-17 s 4

Procurement of goods, services or works for \$25 000 or more and less than

\$200 000

s 6 sub SL2009-17 s 5

Procurement of works less than \$20 000

om SL2009-17 s 6

Procurement of works for \$20 000 or more and less than \$100 000

om SL2009-17 s 6

Procurement of goods, services or works for \$200 000 or more

s 9 hdg am SL2009-17 s 7 s 9 am SL2009-17 s 7

Procurement of goods, services or works—exemption from quotation and tender requirements

am SL2009-17 s 8; SL2012-10 s 4; A2016-52 amdt 1.98 s 10

Procurement proposals

sub SL2018-22 s 4 pt 3 hdg

Secure local jobs code

ins SL2018-22 s 5 pt 4 hdg

Labour relations, training and workplace equity plan—Act, s 22G (6) (b)

s 12AC ins SL2018-22 s 5

Details for secure local jobs code register—Act, s 22N (1) (c)

s12AD ins SL2018-22 s 5

Notifiable contract, notifiable amendment and notifiable invoice thresholds

pt 5 hdg ins SL2018-22 s 5

Notifiable contract threshold—Act, s 25 (2) (a)

ins SL2012-10 s 5 s 12A

Notifiable amendment threshold—Act, s 26 (a) (ii)

ins SL2012-10 s 5

Notifiable invoice threshold—Act, s 42A (1)

s 12C ins A2015-14 s 6

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pt 6 hdg ins SL2018-22 s 6

Procurement procedure

s 13 am A2012-26 amdt 1.30; A2013-41 amdt 1.26

Regulation repealed

s 15 om R1 LA s 89 (3)

5 Earlier republications

Some earlier republications were not numbered. The number in column 1 refers to the publication order.

Since 12 September 2001 every authorised republication has been published in electronic pdf format on the ACT legislation register. A selection of authorised republications have also been published in printed format. These republications are marked with an asterisk (*) in column 1. Electronic and printed versions of an authorised republication are identical.

Republication No and date	Effective	Last amendment made by	Republication for
R1 1 Oct 2007	1 Oct 2007– 30 Apr 2009	not amended	new regulation
R2 1 May 2009	1 May 2009– 4 Apr 2012	SL2009-17	amendments by SL2009-17
R3 5 Apr 2012	5 Apr 2012– 30 June 2012	SL2012-10	amendments by SL2012-10
R4	1 July 2012–	A2012-26	amendments by
1 July 2012	30 June 2014		A2012-26
R5	1 July 2014–	A2013-41	amendments by
1 July 2014	30 June 2015		A2013-41
R6	1 July 2015–	A2015-14	amendments by
1 July 2015	31 Aug 2016		A2015-14
R7	1 Sept 2016–	A2016-52	amendments by
1 Sept 2016	14 Jan 2019		A2016-52

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