

NEBRASKA PROCUREMENT CODE

Fiscal Year End: June 30

1. **Prequalifications:** Not required, but can be on Nebraska's State Purchasing Bureau Bidder's List
 - a. **NE Vendor Manual II.A** → Any firm or individual may request placement on the bidders list with the State Purchasing Bureau by submitting a "Vendor Application" form. Application forms may be obtained from the State Purchasing Bureau website or the State Purchasing Bureau
 - b. **NE Vendor Manual II.B** → It is not required that a vendor be registered with the State Purchasing Bureau to do business with the State of Nebraska.

2. **Auto-drop:** None.

3. **Life Cycle Costing (LCC):** Evaluations based on LCC are allowed.
 - a. **NE Vendor Manual 81-161.1** → All purchases, leases, or contracts which by law are required to be based on competitive bids shall be made to the lowest responsible bidder, taking into consideration the best interests of the state, the quality or performance of the personal property proposed to be supplied, its conformity with specifications, the purposes for which required, and the times of delivery. In determining the lowest responsible bidder, in addition to price, the following elements shall be given consideration
 - i. **(f)** The life-cycle costs of the personal property in relation to the purchase price and specific use of the item
<http://www.legislature.ne.gov/laws/statutes.php?statute=s8101061000>

4. **Piggybacking:** Not mentioned.

5. **Recycle Preferences:** Preference for items manufactured from recycled material
 - a. **NE Vendor Manual-IV-B.1** → Preference shall be given to items which are manufactured or produced from recycled material or which can be readily reused or recycled after their normal use as per Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-15,159. Such preference shall not be given when it would result in the purchase of products, materials, or supplies which are of inadequate quality or substantially higher cost.

6. **Minority/Small/Disadvantaged Business Enterprise preferences:** None.

7. **Cooperative Purchasing**

National IPA

The City of Tucson, AZ has awarded a national cooperative purchasing agreement available to agencies through National Intergovernmental Purchasing Alliance (National IPA). Visit the National IPA website for state specific information

<http://www.nationalipa.org/statutes.html>

National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA)

NJPA currently supports over 100 national contracts for products and services that are available to local governmental agencies and other not for profit entities. Additional information can be found by visiting NJPA's State Procurement Resources web site.

<http://www.njpacoop.org/national-cooperative-contract-solutions/legal-authority/>

***** Nebraska Vendor Manual:**

<http://www.das.state.ne.us/materiel/purchasing/vendorinfo.htm>