

WASHINGTON PROCUREMENT CODE

Fiscal Year End: June 30

1. **Prequalifications:** None
2. **Auto-drop:** None.
3. **Life Cycle Costing (LCC):** Evaluations based on LCC are allowed if stated in the ITB as criteria for awarding the contract.
 - a. **RCW 43.19.1911.9.f** → Such other information as may be secured having a bearing on the decision to award the contract: PROVIDED, That in considering bids for purchase, manufacture, or lease, and in determining the "lowest responsible bidder," whenever there is reason to believe that applying the "life cycle costing" technique to bid evaluation would result in lowest total cost to the state, first consideration shall be given by state purchasing activities to the bid with the lowest life cycle cost which complies with specifications. "Life cycle cost" means the total cost of an item to the state over its estimated useful life, including costs of selection, acquisition, operation, maintenance, and where applicable, disposal, as far as these costs can reasonably be determined, minus the salvage value at the end of its estimated useful life. The "estimated useful life" of an item means the estimated time from the date of acquisition to the date of replacement or disposal, determined in any reasonable manner...
4. **Piggybacking:** Allowed.
 - a. **RCW 39.34.030.2** → Any two or more public agencies may enter into agreements with one another for joint or cooperative action pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, except that any such joint or cooperative action by public agencies which are educational service districts and/or school districts shall comply with the provisions of RCW [28A.320.080](#). Appropriate action by ordinance, resolution or otherwise pursuant to law of the governing bodies of the participating public agencies shall be necessary before any such agreement may enter into force
5. **Recycle Preferences:** Encouraged statewide, but no preference percent. Local governments shall not be limited by percentage price preference.
 - a. **RCW 43.19A.040.1** → Each local government shall consider the adoption of policies, rules, or ordinances to provide for the preferential purchase of recycled content products. Any local government may adopt the preferential purchasing policy of the department of general administration, or portions of such policy, or another policy that provides a preference for recycled content products
 - b. **RCW 43.19A.040.2** → The department of general administration shall prepare one or more model recycled content preferential purchase policies suitable for adoption by local governments. The model policy shall be widely distributed and provided through the technical assistance and workshops under RCW [43.19A.070](#).
 - c. **RCW 43.19A.040.3** → A local government that is not subject to the purchasing authority of the department of general administration, and that adopts the preferential purchase policy or rules of the department, shall not be limited by the percentage price preference included in such policy or rules.
6. **Minority/Small/Disadvantaged Business Enterprise preferences:** Minority and women-owned businesses promoted.

- a. **RCW 39.19.070** → It is the intent of this chapter that the goals established under this chapter for participation by minority and women-owned and controlled businesses be achievable. If necessary to accomplish this intent, contracts may be awarded to the next lowest responsible bidder in turn, or all bids may be rejected and new bids obtained, if the lowest responsible bidder does not meet the goals established for a particular contract under this chapter. The dollar value of the total contract used for the calculation of the specific contract goal may be increased or decreased to reflect executed change orders. An apparent low-bidder must be in compliance with the contract provisions required under this chapter as a condition precedent to the granting of a notice of award by any state agency or educational institution.

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/>

***** Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 39:**

<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=39>

*****Revised Code of Washington (RCW) Title 43:**

<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=43>