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The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015

PART 2

RULES IMPLEMENTING THE PUBLIC CONTRACTS DIRECTIVE

CHAPTER 1

SCOPE AND GENERAL PRINCIPLES

SECTION 2

General Rules

Economic Operators

20.—^{F1}(1)

(2) Where paragraph (3) applies, a contracting authority may require an economic operator to state, in its tender or request to participate, the names and relevant professional qualifications of the staff to be responsible for the performance of the contract.

(3) This paragraph applies where an economic operator which is a legal person is seeking the award of—

- (a) a public works contract;
- (b) a public supply contract which includes services or siting and installation operations; or
- (c) a public services contract.

(4) A contracting authority must not require a group of economic operators, including temporary associations, to have a specific legal form in order to be able to submit a tender or a request to participate.

(5) A contracting authority may specify in the procurement documents the method by which a group of economic operators is to meet the requirements as to economic and financial standing or technical and professional ability referred to in regulation 59 (selection criteria).

(6) Any method specified as referred to in paragraph (5) must be justified by objective reasons and must be proportionate.

(7) Any conditions for the performance of a contract by a group of economic operators, which are different from those imposed upon individual participants, must be justified by objective reasons and must be proportionate.

(8) A contracting authority may, if it is necessary for the satisfactory performance of the contract, require a group of economic operators to assume a specific legal form for the purpose of the award of the contract.

(9) In this Regulation reference to a “contract” includes reference to a framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or design contest.

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Textual Amendments

- F1** Reg. 20(1) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [The Public Procurement etc. \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(S.S.I. 2020/468\)](#), regs. 1(2), **4(18)** (with sch. paras. 1-5)

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- Regulations applied by [2023 c. 54 s. 119\(2\)\(a\)](#)
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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- reg. 11(1)(e)(i)(aa) words substituted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 3\(11\)\(a\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
- reg. 11(1)(e)(i)(bb) words substituted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 3\(11\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))
- reg. 78(1)(i)(ii) and words inserted by [S.S.I. 2019/112 reg. 3\(52\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S.S.I. 2019/112 revoked immediately before IP completion day by S.S.I. 2020/468, regs. 1(3), 2(2)(a))