
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2016 No. 273

The Concession Contracts Regulations 2016

PART 3 **E+W+N.I.**

Rules on the award of concession contracts

CHAPTER 2 **E+W+N.I.**

Procedural guarantees

Time limits for receipt of applications and tenders for the concession contract **E+W+N.I.**

39.—(1) When fixing the time limits for the receipt of applications or of tenders, contracting authorities and utilities shall take account, in particular, of the complexity of the concession contract and the time required for drawing up tenders or applications, without prejudice to the minimum time limits set out in this regulation.

(2) Where applications or tenders can be made only after a visit to the site or after on-the-spot inspection of the documents supporting the concession documents, the time limits for the receipt of applications for the concession contract or for the receipt of tenders shall be fixed so that all economic operators concerned may be aware of all the information needed to produce applications or tenders and, in any event, shall be longer than the minimum time limits set out in paragraphs (3) and (4).

(3) The minimum time limit for the receipt of applications (whether or not including tenders for the concession contract) shall be 30 days from the date on which the concession notice was [^{F1}submitted] for publication in accordance with regulation 33.

(4) Where the concession contract award procedure takes place in successive stages the minimum time limit for the receipt of initial tenders shall be 22 days from the date on which the invitation to tender is sent.

(5) The time limit for receipt of tenders may be reduced by 5 days where the contracting authority or utility allows the submission of tenders by electronic means in accordance with regulation 29.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Word in reg. 39(3) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Public Procurement \(Amendment etc.\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1319\)](#), regs. 1(2), **8(22)** (with Sch. paras. 3-5)

Changes to legislation:

The Concession Contracts Regulations 2016, Section 39 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 22 August 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Regulations revoked by [2023 c. 54 Sch. 11 para. 6](#)
- reg. 39(3) word substituted by [S.I. 2019/560 reg. 7\(22\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Affecting Regulations revoked (20.11.2020) by S.I. 2020/1319, regs. 1(3), 2(a))

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- reg. 8(5) words omitted by [S.I. 2023/506 reg. 3\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2023/506 revoked before coming into force by The Public Procurement (International Trade Agreements) (Amendment) (Wales) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/567), regs. 1(2), 6)
- reg. 9(9A) words omitted by [S.I. 2023/506 reg. 3\(3\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2023/506 revoked before coming into force by The Public Procurement (International Trade Agreements) (Amendment) (Wales) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/567), regs. 1(2), 6)
- reg. 10(11)(d)(i)(aa) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/560 reg. 7\(7\)\(e\)\(i\)\(aa\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Affecting Regulations revoked (20.11.2020) by S.I. 2020/1319, regs. 1(3), 2(a))
- reg. 10(11)(d)(i)(bb) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/560 reg. 7\(7\)\(e\)\(i\)\(bb\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Affecting Regulations revoked (20.11.2020) by S.I. 2020/1319, regs. 1(3), 2(a))