



INSTRUCTIONS FOR BIDDERS

1. Receipt of bids

- 1.1. Submitted bids and all documents must be sent by email to the contracting authority (Philippe Lafrenière) or sent in an envelope by mail to the National Battlefields Commission at 835 Wilfrid Laurier Ave., Québec, QC G1R 2L3. The bid must be received before 2 pm on May 30, 2023.
- 1.2. With the bid, enclose the bid form, which must indicate your price and a copy of all addenda, if any.
- 1.3. Your bid must include all applicable taxes. For construction work, quote the FOB price at the job site.
- 1.4. Information obtained from people other than the designated project supervisor is invalid. Bidders are responsible for the measurements they make on site.
- 1.5. This bid cannot be withdrawn for 30 days following the deadline; this period may be extended to 60 days by the National Battlefields Commission if the Contractor receives notice to that end within 15 days after the call for tenders deadline.
- 1.6. Bids submitted by fax will not be accepted.

2. Unacceptable bids

- 2.1. Bids submitted without the NBC's bid form will not be considered. NA
- 2.2. Bids received after the closing date and time will not be considered.
- 2.3. The National Battlefields Commission reserves the right to reject incomplete bids.
- 2.4. If security is required by these instructions but is not included with the bid, the bid may be disqualified.

3. Revision of bids

- 3.1. A bid submitted in compliance with these instructions may be revised by letter, provided the revision is received at the office indicated for receipt of bids before the closing date and time for bid submissions.

4. Security requirements

4.1. With bid

If a bid exceeds \$25,000, the bidder must include a security in the form of EITHER a bid bond in an approved form and from a company whose bonds are acceptable, in an amount of at least 10% of the bid, OR a cash security deposit with a value of at least 10% of the bid amount. The cash security deposit must be:

- a) a certified cheque payable to the Receiver General for Canada and issued by a member of the Canadian Payments Association or a local credit union that is a member of a central credit union that is a member of the Canadian Payments Association;
- b) a government guaranteed bond (made out to Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, the creditor [hereafter the Crown]); or
- c) any other value deemed acceptable by the contracting authority and approved by the Treasury Board.

4.2. Upon acceptance of a bid

4.2.1. If the value of a bid exceeds \$25,000, the National Battlefields Commission **MUST REQUIRE** the bidder of the accepted bid to provide the security described in the document titled "Contract security conditions."

4.2.2. If the value of a bid is under \$25,000, the National Battlefields Commission **MAY REQUIRE** the bidder of the accepted bid to provide the security described in the document titled "Contract security conditions."

5. Insurance

5.1. The bidding Contractor must provide with its bid proof of general liability insurance of at least two (2) million dollars, in effect for the full duration of the work.

6. Bid acceptance

6.1. The National Battlefields Commission is not required to accept the lowest bid or any bid.

7. Additional document to include with bid

7.1. **N.B. remember to include the document listed in section 7.1 with the bid.** Bidding companies must attach a copy of the executive committee's resolution showing that the person signing the bid has received authorization to do so.

7.2. All the documents to certify your RBQ licences and documents of your file's compliance with CNESST.

8. Archaeological research – critical consideration

During excavation work on NBC property, service providers are always expected to follow a specific rule concerning archaeological research. Some sectors have strong archaeological potential, and if investigations are required, the service provider must comply. NA

9. Contractual clause – Administration of contracts

The Office of the Procurement Ombudsman (OPO) was set up by the Government of Canada to provide Canadian bidders with an independent means of filing complaints related to the awarding of certain federal contracts, regardless of their value. If you have concerns related to the administration of a federal government contract, you can communicate with the OPO by email at boa.opo@boa-opo.gc.ca, by phone at 1-866-734-5169, or through its website at www.opo-boa.gc.ca. For more information about OPO services, consult the [Procurement Ombudsman Regulations](#) or the [OPO website](#).

10. Work conducted in coordination with the Centre de conservation du Québec (CCQ)

The Contractor must retain the services of the Centre de conservation du Québec (CCQ), whose restorers will act as conservation experts. The tasks and duties to be carried out in coordination with the CCQ are described in the plans and specifications.

The Contractor must provide an allowance of \$17,150 exclude tax for the CCQ's services. The work shall be paid for upon presentation of supporting documents from the CCQ without any mark-up or profit for the Contractor. This allowance includes, but is not limited to, professional fees and travel and living expenses for the CCQ resources.

It is important to note that the Contractor shall also enter into a health and safety subordination agreement with the CCQ (see Appendix A).