



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR WATER TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FROM THE LOCALITY OF PEMBROKE TO ŻABBAR THROUGH THE USE OF BOWSERS

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Section 1

Background:

The Ministry for Agriculture, Fisheries, Food and Animal Rights (MAFA) is committed to assist the farming community in their work practices with the objective of ensuring a more viable sector. In this regard, the Ministry is issuing this expression of interest for water transportation services from the locality of Pembroke to Żabbar through the use of Bowsers.

Section 2

Requirements:

1. The Contracting Authority shall provide the economic operator with a delivery plan on a weekly basis.
2. Water transportation services shall be provided on weekdays i.e. Monday to Friday (excluding feasts/public holidays). The time of delivery should be agreed with the farmer to whom the service is being provided.
3. Water transportation services shall be provided from Pembroke to Żabbar.
4. Eligible bowsers to be used for such services shall have a capacity ranging between 3000 gallons and 8500 gallons i.e. between circa 14 cubic metres and 40 cubic metres.
5. All bowsers to be used shall have a valid road licence throughout the whole period of execution stipulated in Section 4.
6. The bowsers shall be available with immediate effect upon signature of Letter of Engagement and throughout the whole period of execution stipulated in Section 4.





Section 3

Conditions:

1. Upon confirmation of offer, the successful economic operators shall be requested by the Contracting Authority to provide the following documentation:
 - Valid driving licence of individual/s carrying out the transportation;
 - Valid road licence of the bowser being used for this vehicle.
2. Qualifying economic operators shall be requested to sign a Letter of Engagement with the Contracting Authority.
3. Offers submitted shall remain valid throughout the whole period of execution stipulated in Section 4.
4. Economic operators are to issue a dated delivery note for each transportation which needs to be endorsed by the individual receiving this service and shall also include the name, surname and ID number of the latter.
5. Payments shall be affected after economic operators submit a request for payment to the Contracting Authority on a monthly basis in the form of an invoice together with all relevant delivery notes.
6. The Contracting Authority or any other third party commissioned by the Contracting Authority shall have the authority to carry out inspections to ensure that the service is provided as per requirements listed in Section 2 and conditions in Section 3.

Section 4

Period of Execution:

The period of execution shall be of twenty-four (24) months with possible extensions.



Section 5

Submission of offers:

Interested economic operators are to submit their offers, which should also include the:

- Bowser registration number;
- Bowser capacity should be certified by a warranted Engineer in cubic metres/gallons;
- Bowsers should be equipped with a meter to indicate the volume of water being discharged;
- Rate per trip Pembroke to Zabbar;
- Number of available bowsers per day (Monday – Friday excluding feasts/public holidays).

Offers are to be submitted by e-mail sent to arpa-procurement.mafa@gov.mt by no later than noon (12:00) on the 4th of May 2021. Any clarification requests/queries may be sent to arpa-procurement.mafa@gov.mt by no later than the 27th of April 2021.