
SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS FROM BIDDERS FOR TENDER NO SAQA 0002/20 DFA – PROVISION OF SECURITY SERVICES

No	Bidder's Question	SAQA's Response
1	<p>Greetings,</p> <p>Please send me the bidding documents for the Bid Number: SAQA 0002/20 DFA</p> <p>Regards</p>	<p>1. The bid document was provided.</p>
2	<p>Good day sir/madam</p> <p>Goodmorning, Mpheta Security Services is currently tendering for the Security services at SAQA, Tender number SAQA 0002/20 DFA, our UIF Certificate has expired on the 08/09/2020 and due to covid 19 the renewal turnaround time is 15 working days and of which the tender will be closed, kindly assist if there can be an exemption so we can submit the expired one whilst we wait for the new one, thank you.</p> <p>kind regards H. Mthetwa</p>	<p>2. According to the service provider's email, the UIF expired on 08/09/2020 and the service provider should have renewed this certificate before its expiry time to remain in business.</p> <p>One of the SAQA's mandatory requirement as per the tender document is a valid UIF certificate and will not be relaxed, therefore the bidders will be disqualified for submitting invalid UIF certificates.</p>

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3	<p>Dear Mr. Thomas,</p> <p>I am just confirming our interest in bidding for the SAQA tender as advertised on the eTenders website. I would like to attend the online briefing, so please could you send me the link for this.</p> <p>Also, I am writing in reference to the request for Grade D officers within the tender document; this grade is no longer recognised by the governing body, PSIRA so should we quote on Grade C officers throughout?</p> <p>Thanks so much.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>	<p>3. The bidder was invited to the online briefing session together with other interested bidders which was held on 18 September 2020 @ 10h00 via Cisco Webex.</p> <p>SAQA has inquired about this issue with the PSIRA and they indicated that Grade D is still recognised and there are no discussions regarding the phasing out of any Grade D at the moment.</p>
4	<p>Greetings</p> <p>Kindly assist with the VAT inclusive information. Should I include VAT if the company is not VAT registered?</p> <p>Regards Mutsila Jennifer</p>	<p>4. According to the VAT Act 89 of 1991, it is mandatory for a business/person to register for VAT if the taxable income made or to be made is more than R1 million in any consecutive twelve-month period.</p>

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5	<p>Good Day</p> <p>Please assists by clarifying the Mandatory requirement of the medical aid for the guards, direct us in the Psira Regulation and Sectorial determination where it is required, In addition, the medical aid is not factored in the Sectorial Determination.</p> <p>This requirement as "Mandatory " is unfair on the EME's and QSE's because of affordability, We request that, this requirement to be made optional, we are at a view that, this requirement is aimed at discouraging EME's and QSE'S in bidding for this Bid.</p> <p>Lastly, Section 217 of the Constitution provides for a Fair, equitable, transparent, competitive and cost effective procurement process.</p> <p>I trust my clarification and request will be addressed and considered.</p> <p>Kind Regards Chuma Loyilane</p>	<p>5. The Medical Aid mandatory requirement is not as per the PSIRA Regulation or the Sectorial determination but an executive decision made by SAQA to have cleaners and security staff who have both pension and medical aid cover.</p> <p>The current service provider is an EME and has pension and medical aid cover for its employees. This requirement does not contradict any of the pillars of section 217 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa 1996, as medical aid can be embedded in the security rate which SAQA will then contract and pay for, should you be the successful company This is the same requirement for ALL bidders and thus makes it fair, equitable, transparent, competitive and cost-effective for the SAQA.</p>
6	<p>Good day</p> <p>Kindly advise if attachment of an employee's Pay Slip is a sufficient response to stage 2 (ss 5.6.3.6)</p>	<p>6. Yes, an employee's Payslip will be sufficient.</p>

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Approval of Bid responses:

Signature:



Name: Jeremy Thomas

Date: 25 September 2020

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