

APPENDIX 1 – THE SPECIFICATION

1. General

In relation to each Irish and/or British and/or European Norm Standard Specification that is referred to in the tender document it shall be taken as meaning the latest edition/year of that Standard Specification together with all amendments relating thereto which were published six months before the closing date for this Tender.

Where reference is made in this tender document to a particular make, source, process, trademark, type or patent, this is not to be regarded as a de facto requirement. In all such cases it should be understood that such indications are to be treated for reference purposes only, to which the words “or equivalent” will always be appended.

2. Material Description

Concrete shall be in accordance with I.S. EN 206:2013+A2:2021, and in compliance with the EU Construction Product Regulations.

3. Normal Hours/Weekends/Bank Holidays/Weeknights

Normal Hours are 8am to 5pm Monday to Friday

Saturdays are 8am to 1pm

Bank holidays

Weeknights are 6pm to 11pm Monday to Friday

4. Deliveries

It is expected that upon receipt of an order that delivery can be made with 15 hours notice.

eg. Order made by Dublin City Council by 3pm on a Monday for a particular ready mixed concrete product can be delivered to site at 8am Tuesday the following morning.

Delivery is to work sites located in the Dublin City Councils Administrative Area

For materials Ex Works are materials to be collected from your batching plant by Dublin City Council. In all cases, a lorry sent by the City Council to the Contractor's mixing plant for collecting concrete “Ex Works”, shall be entitled to hold its place in the queue of lorries awaiting supply.

No other lorry shall be brought forward out of turn for supply and given precedence over the City Council lorry or over a haulier's lorry collecting concrete on behalf of the City Council.

5. Discharge Time for agitator/mixer trucks:

Because of the nature of the works in Dublin City Council one truck delivery may be required to deliver to several locations. The Supplier shall take into account the following allowances w.r.t. the discharge time for agitator/mixer trucks of 15 minutes, plus 10 minutes per cu.m (or part cu.m) of the volume delivered. The Supplier shall duly take this into account in his submitted rates.

Accordingly, the City Council intends that no contract resulting from this tender will include any provision for payment on the rare occasions that the actual discharge time exceeds that stated above.

6. Measurement

The unit of measurement of ready-mixed concrete shall be the cubic metre. The contractor's Delivery Docket will be provisionally accepted for delivery of the quantity shown thereon, but the concrete will be measured in situ, and any necessary adjustment will then be made to the Contractor's consignment notes. Only the quantity of concrete delivered will be paid for.

Any load may be directed to a public weighbridge for a check weighing before and after discharging its loads of concrete. In such a check the total volume of the load shall be obtained from its total weight (i.e. the difference between the gross and tare weight of the vehicle) divided by the weight per cu. metre of the concrete. The Contractor shall provide in his rates for such spot checks being taken.

7. Performance

The successful applicants to the framework will be monitored and assessed in accordance with the criteria as set out in the Framework Agreement which is included as an attachment for information. In the event that the contract is terminated Dublin City Council reserves the right to revert to the tenderer who finished in second place (depending on said tenderer demonstrating compliance with all stated evaluation criteria) in this competition. Supplier performance will however be continually monitored over the term of the contract.

9. Vehicle Requirements & Conditions

The vehicles used should be capable of carrying out the work for which they were made without any diminution of power or output from the minimum laid down by the makers of the machinery/vehicles. It should also be noted that any vehicles might be dismissed from a work site/depot, if found, on examination not to comply with the current Road Traffic Act, or Health and Safety Regulations, or by non-compliance of any terms and conditions, in any particular instance.

The driver shall be skilled in the operation of the vehicle and thoroughly conversant with the vehicle, which he/she is operating and shall not be employed to work more than any one machine on any day. The driver must remain in constant attendance on the vehicle while it is employed and under no circumstances shall a vehicle be operated by any person other than those for whom the relevant documentation as required by these terms and conditions has been submitted.

All mechanically propelled vehicles operating on public roads must have a valid registration plate applicable to that particular vehicle/machine.

All vehicles for which a Road Fund Licence (Tax Disc) is required must display a current "Insurance Disc" correctly.

All vehicles used by the Supplier will be required to have suitable flashing/warning beacons in working order at all times and fitted with a reverse alarm which cannot be disabled.

The driver in charge of a vehicle shall be provided with the necessary Personal Protective Equipment (P.P.E.) by the Supplier in order to safely carry out his duties; e.g. safety boots, reflective vests, helmets etc.