



Defence Construction Canada expands its e-procurement solution to goods and maintenance services

Starting in mid-February 2018, Defence Construction Canada (DCC) will begin accepting online electronic bids (e-bids) for the procurement of goods and maintenance services, using the service provider MERX, an independent private sector tendering service. E-bids for construction tenders, including those tenders that require bid security, are already accepted. DCC adopted the online electronic bidding capability as a way to enhance industry access and allow the Corporation to manage the tendering process more accurately and efficiently from beginning to end.

E-bidding for consultants (i.e. electronic submission of proposals) is not yet available and will be rolled out at a later date after consultation with the architecture and engineering industry.

DCC's e-bidding capability

Firms can use e-bidding to:

- submit their bid online at no additional cost;
- make revisions to their bid at any time prior to tender close;
- where bid security is required, upload their electronic bid bond (e-bond) directly into the system or submit their cash security through an electronic funds transfer (wire transfer);
- receive an e-bid confirmation number once the e-bid is submitted successfully; and
- view bid results online.

Important information

- Paper submissions are no longer accepted where e-bidding has been phased-in.
- The requirement for the submission of e-bids and electronic bid security is clearly identified in MERX.
- Scanned copies of paper bonds are not accepted as e-bonds.
- Electronic funds transfers have to be received by DCC by the tender closing date and time.

DCC complies fully with Government of Canada contracting regulations to ensure a secure, efficient, fair and transparent process for procuring and managing defence and security infrastructure projects.

Contact information

For more information on DCC's e-bidding capability, visit our [e-bidding FAQ](#) or contact Alain Xatruch, Procurement Specialist, at alain.xatruch@dcc-cdc.gc.ca.