

Solicitation Questions and Answers

Solicitation No.: N00244-26-Q-0069

Requirement: Food Service Uniforms

The following questions were received regarding Solicitation N00244-26-Q-0069. The Government's responses are provided below for the benefit of all interested parties.

Question 1

Attachment 1 heading references "100% Polyester Performance OR 50/50% Cotton," while individual line items list 65% Polyester / 35% Cotton. May offerors provide 100% polyester performance, 50/50 poly-cotton, or 65/35 poly-cotton at their discretion, or is 65/35 specifically required?

Answer 1

Uniform items require flame resistant (FR) fabric in accordance with NAVSUP P-486 and the solicitation amendment. Offerors shall provide one of the approved domestically manufactured COTS FR fabrics identified in the amended solicitation. Offerors shall comply with the fabric requirements stated in Attachment 1, as amended.

Question 2

Attachment 1 identifies chef coats but does not specify style details such as single- or double-breasted construction, closure type, collar style, pockets, or brand/model. May offerors provide a commercially available chef coat style, provided it meets the color, size, fabric, sleeve length, and artwork requirements?

Answer 2

Yes. Commercially available chef coats are acceptable, provided they meet the solicitation requirements for color, size, fabric, sleeve length, and artwork/customization.

Question 3

Attachment 1 identifies cargo pants but does not specify pocket configuration, waistband/closure style, fit, or brand/model. May offerors provide a commercially available cargo pant style, provided it meets the color, size, and fabric requirements?

Answer 3

Yes. Commercially available cargo pants are acceptable, provided they meet the solicitation requirements for color, size, and fabric.

Question 4

May an embroidered patch be sewn on instead of direct embroidery?

Answer 4

Yes. Sewn embroidered patches are acceptable. Direct embroidery is acceptable, and screen print is also acceptable where applicable.

Question 5

Please provide production-quality/vector artwork files, approved color values, and confirmation whether each design must be embroidered, screen printed, or applied using another specified method.

Answer 5

The Government does **not** have production-quality/vector artwork files available for release at this time. Offerors shall rely on **Attachment 1** and **Attachment 2 – Artwork and Text Requirements** for the available artwork placement, required text, and approximate sizing information. No additional artwork instructions or color values are provided at this time beyond those attachments. **Screen print is acceptable** unless otherwise stated in the solicitation.

Question 6

The line-item breakdown totals 29,200 units, but Section C.3 states a total basic item quantity of 34,500 units. Which quantity is correct for pricing purposes?

Answer 6

The correct total quantity for pricing purposes is **34,500**.

Question 7

Attachment 1 includes sizes Small through 2XL, but Section B generally includes only Small through XL. Will the Government amend Section B to include 2XL items?

Answer 7

Yes. 2XL items are required.

Question 8

Attachment 1 lists khaki cargo pants at 100 each per size, while CLINs 0077-0080 list 300 each. Which quantity controls?

Answer 8

The correct quantity is 100 each for khaki cargo pants for sizes Small, Medium, Large, XL, and 2XL.

Question 9

Each CLIN uses the unit “Lot.” Should the quoted unit price represent one individual garment or the full quantity listed for that CLIN?

Answer 9

The CLIN price shall be quoted as a lot total.

Question 10

Sections B and C require delivery within 60 days after award, while Section F lists November 30, 2026. Which delivery requirement controls?

Answer 10

The Government is requesting delivery within 60 days after award; however, in all cases delivery shall be no later than 30 November 2026.

Question 11

Sections B and C identify Bldg. 1, Quay Road, San Diego, while Section F lists FPO AP 96632. Please confirm the correct FOB Destination delivery address.

Answer 11

The delivery address is Bldg. 1, Quay Road, San Diego. Section F will be conformed accordingly if amended. The uploaded SOW also identifies the San Diego delivery location.

Question 12

Please confirm whether all garments must be delivered in one complete shipment or whether partial deliveries are acceptable.

Answer 12

One complete shipment is preferred. However, partial deliveries are acceptable if at least half of the order is delivered within the 60-day period or by 30 November 2026.

Question 13

Will the Government extend the quotation due date from 14 September 2026 to 24 September 2026?

Answer 13

Yes. The Government supports extending the due date. The solicitation will be amended if approved by the Contracting Officer.

Question 14

Section L refers to a questions deadline, but no date is shown. Please confirm the deadline for vendor questions.

Answer 14

The questions deadline will be provided by the Contract Specialist/Contracting Officer. The current draft Section L previously showed a written question due date concept.

Question 15

Is the Berry Amendment applicable to this solicitation?

Answer 15

Yes. The Berry Amendment applies to this requirement. Offerors shall comply with the applicable domestic source restrictions for covered items.

Question 16

Please confirm country-of-origin and domestic-manufacturing requirements applicable to the garments and textile components.

Answer 16

All offered food service uniforms and applicable covered textile components shall comply with the Berry Amendment requirements applicable to this solicitation.

Question 17

For a small-business nonmanufacturer prime contractor, must the offered garments be manufactured by a U.S. small-business manufacturer, or has an SBA nonmanufacturer-rule waiver been issued?

Answer 17

No nonmanufacturer rule waiver is identified for this solicitation. Offerors shall comply with the solicitation's applicable small business and domestic sourcing requirements, including the Berry Amendment.

Question 18

Is there a specific fabric weight (GSM/oz) required?

Answer 18

Offerors shall propose one of the approved FR fabrics identified in the amended solicitation. The approved fabrics range from approximately 6.5 ounces to 8.5 ounces, depending on the fabric offered.

Question 19

What are the specific size measurements required for the shirts, chef coats, and pants (e.g., chest, waist, neck, inseam)?

Answer 19

Standard commercial sizing is acceptable. No additional Government size chart is required.

Question 20

Section C.4.5 requires compliance with NAVSUP P-486, Food Service Management, "as applicable to the uniforms being procured." Attachment 1 specifies fabric, color, sleeve length, and artwork/logo placement for chef coats, but does not address pocket, button, or closure style. Does NAVSUP P-486 impose any additional chef coat construction/style requirements, or is Attachment 1 the controlling specification?

Answer 20

NAVSUP P-486 does not impose any additional chef coat construction/style requirements. Attachment 1 is the controlling specification for chef coat configuration.