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**SOLICITATION
AMENDMENT**

**MODIFICATION DE
L'INVITATION**

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Solicitation remain the same.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'invitation demeurent les mêmes.

Comments: - Commentaries:

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Title – Sujet Ergonomic Duty Belt and Padded Duty Belt / Ceinturon de service ergonomique et Ceinturon de service rembourré		Date May 20, 2022
Solicitation No. – N° de l'invitation 202204271		Amendment No. – N° de la modification 004
Client Reference No. - No. De Référence du Client		
Solicitation Closes – L'invitation prend fin		
At / à :	14:00	EDT (Eastern Daylight Time) HAE (heure avancée de l'Est)
On / le:	June 23, 2022 / 23 juin 2022	
F.O.B. – F.A.B	GST/HST – TPS	Duty – Droits
Destination of Goods and Services – Destinations des biens et services		
Instructions See herein – Voir aux présentes		
Address Inquiries to – Adresser toute demande de renseignements à Lisa Latendresse Lisa.Latendresse@rcmp-grc.gc.ca		
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This amendment is raised to respond to questions received during the solicitation period and extend the closing date. The answers to additional questions will be published in the next amendment.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

Question 13:

How many total columns of PALS (MOLLE) (UP/DOWN), are required in total for all mandatory duty kit identified in 5.3.1.1 of Annex B to be attached to the padded duty belt?

Answer 13:

The smallest size of belt offered must have a minimum of 12 vertical MOLLE columns.

Question 14:

Is the total columns of PALS (MOLLE) (UP/DOWN DIR) required to carry all mandatory duty kit identified in 5.3.1.1 of Annex B the same for all sizes of belts?

Answer 14:

The total number of vertical columns may vary depending on the size of belt. The number of horizontal rows must be the same for all sizes.

Question 15:

Would the requirement for removal of the 2" keepers on the current RCMP suspenders be deemed to be acceptable when suspenders are to be used with the padded duty belt?

Answer 15:

The belt must be compatible with the suspenders when using either the keepers or the swivel hooks for attachment.

Question 16:

In Section 4 Annex B Terminology of the Padded Belt, a 'Replaceable Buckle' is defined, however a 'Removable Support' is not defined. Since both these items are called up In Annex A Basis of Payment, we think it necessary to provide this clear definition of the Removable Support as well.

Answer 16:

The following definition applies to Removable Support:

Removable Support – An insert or additional piece of material that can be used with the duty belt to prevent it from deforming (sagging or twisting). A removable support must be stiff enough to add support, but flexible enough that the ergonomic qualities of the belt are not affected.

Question 17:

5.4 Design – Can the government confirm what is meant by individual components? Current duty belts consist of:

1. Inner belt
2. Outer belt
3. Male buckle end
4. Male buckle end keeper
5. Female buckle end
6. Female buckle end keeper

Without even adding the ergonomic pad, the duty belt is already more than 5 individual components.



Answer 17:

The inner belt, outer belt, and buckle would be considered three individual pieces. The buckle is considered a single component encompassing all of the smaller pieces required for its function, which include: male and female buckle ends, and buckle keepers if applicable.

Question 18:

5.4.3 Size and Adjustability – Can the government clarify the sizes required? It states a range of 26” to 56”, but then also states size 26” must be adjustable to either down 24”, or up to 28”, or down to 25” and up to 27”. Both 24” and 25” are below the stated range of 26”.

Answer 18:

The requirement for the size range is for waist sizes 26”-56”. The adjustment ranges of the size 26 belt were provided as an example for reference purposes, the smallest waist size required is 26”.

Question 19:

Are the suspenders a new requirement or has the RCMP already sourced that system and provided the specifications for reference to confirm compatibility with the two new belts on this solicitation?

Answer 19:

The suspenders are not a new requirement. The specification for the suspenders was provided for reference purposes to ensure interoperability with the Ergonomic and Padded belts for this solicitation.

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