QUEENSLAND
PROCUREMENT POLICY
2017
Administration

This policy takes effect from 1 September 2017. It replaces the Queensland Procurement Policy (June 2013).
Queensland Procurement Policy

Every year the Queensland Government spends billions of dollars on a wide range of goods and services to support the delivery of frontline services for Queenslanders.

This means that the procurement activities of the Queensland Government not only have a budgetary impact, but also a significant impact on local communities and the services delivered to them throughout Queensland.

Ultimately, there is a need to ensure that procurement delivers value for money for taxpayers. It must also advance the government’s economic, environmental and social objectives for the long-term wellbeing of our community. Underpinning all of this is the need for probity to remain an integral component of procurement – part of procurement culture.

The Queensland Procurement Policy is the government’s overarching policy for the procurement of goods and services.

It establishes a framework that maximises the benefits that can be delivered through procurement.

The policy aims to:

1. **Focus on the economic benefit to Queensland** – by applying a local benefits test for all significant procurement.
2. **Maximise Queensland suppliers’ opportunity to participate** – by ensuring that for each procurement opportunity, at least one regional and one Queensland supplier, where possible, is invited to submit a quote or tender.
3. **Support regional and remote economies** – by allowing agencies to procure outside of whole-of-government supply arrangements for regional and remote locations.
4. **Stimulate the ICT sector and drive innovation** – by doubling the ICT pre-qualification exemption to $1 million.

**Policy principles**

The Queensland Procurement Policy principles centre on:

- putting Queenslanders first when securing value for money – recognising that value for money is more than price paid
- working together to achieve outcomes – providing a flexible procurement framework based on an agency-led procurement model
- governance and planning – focusing on a category management approach with a strong governance framework and integrated planning
- leaders in procurement practice – professionalising the procurement discipline and building procurement capability
- integrity, probity and accountability – ensuring procurement is undertaken with integrity, that probity is appropriately managed, and that accountability for outcomes is maintained
- advancement of government objectives – providing the procurement framework to advance economic, environmental and social objectives.

**Policy authority**

This policy is mandated for application to budget sector agencies, government-owned corporations, statutory bodies and special purpose vehicles.

**Procurement in the Queensland Government**

An overview of the Queensland Government’s procurement operating model and governance structure is provided at Schedule 2.
Principles and their application

**PRINCIPLE 1: PUTTING QUEENSLANDERS FIRST WHEN SECURING VALUE FOR MONEY**

We pursue government targets through our procurement.

We select the option that provides best value for money outcomes, pursuing economic, environmental and social objectives as well as price.

We deploy the most appropriate strategies to deliver the best procurement outcomes.

**Intent**

The Queensland Government is committed to:

- obtaining value for money. This is central to procurement and is the policy’s primary principle.
- ensuring information is readily available to supply markets to assist suppliers to make the best value for money offering possible.
- ensuring that value for money reflects more than the lowest price. The Queensland Government will assess cost and non-cost factors, as well as the desired outcome. We will also pursue opportunities to advance economic, environmental and social objectives.

**Government targets and commitments**

- **Economic**
  - Build regions by increasing the participation of Queensland suppliers and local workforces in procurement opportunities.
  - Require the use of local contractors and manufacturers in significant Queensland Government infrastructure projects, worth $100 million and above, wherever possible. Increasing opportunities for apprentices and trainees in significant Queensland Government infrastructure projects, worth $100 million and above.
  - Increase government procurement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses to three per cent of addressable spend by 2022.
  - Focus on using the government’s procurement activities to create genuine, secure ongoing jobs for Queenslanders.
  - Focus on jobs, reducing long-term unemployment and youth unemployment, and increasing opportunities for training apprentices.
  - Procure Australian-sourced, environmentally accredited paper products.

- **Environmental**
  - Achieve net zero emissions by 2050.
  - Achieve one million rooftops or 3000 megawatts of solar photovoltaics (PV) in Queensland by 2020.

- **Social**
  - Take into account workplace policies and practices aimed at ending domestic and family violence as part of supplier evaluation and selection.
## How to apply this principle

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| 1.2 | Agencies will identify the procurement strategy and method (open, limited or selective) most appropriate for delivering the best procurement outcome. This will be based on an assessment of complexity, scope, opportunities and risks associated with procurement objectives, as well as the level of competition in the supply market. |

| 1.3 | Agencies may deal directly with their own agency or other Queensland Government agencies including commercialised business units. Agencies should refer to the Advisory Note – Intragovernmental Procurement at [www.qld.gov.au/procurement](http://www.qld.gov.au/procurement). |

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| 1.5 | When identifying value for money priorities during category planning activities, category managers will pursue opportunities to advance relevant economic, environmental and social outcomes and objectives of the government. This includes factoring the achievement of targets set by government into planning and subsequent procurement activities. |


| 1.6 | Lead agency category teams, in consultation with other budget sector agencies, are responsible for coordinating and publishing a forward procurement pipeline (minimum 12 month forecast) for their category. |

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| 1.7 | Statutory bodies, government-owned corporations and special purpose vehicles will publish notices of potential future procurements on the Queensland Government’s QTenders website, where the agency identifies there would be a benefit to it or the supply market from doing so. |

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PRINCIPLE 2: ADVANCEMENT OF ECONOMIC, ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL OBJECTIVES

We ensure full, fair and reasonable opportunity for Queensland suppliers, including local suppliers and small businesses.

We do business with ethically, environmentally and socially responsible suppliers.

We pursue government’s objectives from a whole-of-government and category perspective, prioritising these in our decision-making.

Intent

The Queensland Government is committed to:

• giving local suppliers including Queensland suppliers and small businesses full, fair and reasonable opportunity to become a supplier to the Queensland Government. We will ensure that tenders are free from specifications or requirements that could limit opportunities for local industry and workforces.

• acknowledging that every procurement activity is different. Decisions to advance objectives take into account a range of factors, including the characteristics of what is being procured, as well as the capability and capacity of the supply market.

Government targets and commitments

**Economic**

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## How to apply this principle

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We respect the trust placed in us by the community.
We are accountable for delivering timely outcomes using public resources.
We ensure our decisions are transparent and defensible.
We meet expected standards of probity and accountability.

**Intent**
The Queensland Government is committed to:
- observing high standards of integrity and probity, and being accountable for decisions.
- embedding probity in procurement culture.

It is expected that high standards of probity and accountability are always maintained. It is important that the right balance is struck between observing probity of process, and not overemphasising probity relative to value and risk, so that it becomes an unjustifiable barrier to achieving better outcomes.
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<td><strong>3.2</strong> Agencies will integrate probity within their procurement framework to ensure probity is managed relative to the value and risk of a particular procurement activity (for example, the development of probity plans for high value and/or high risk procurement activities).</td>
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<td><strong>3.3</strong> Agencies will publish basic details for awarded contracts valued at $10,000 and over, and additional contract details for awarded contracts valued at $10 million and over, in accordance with the <em>Procurement Guidelines: Contract Disclosure</em> issued by the Director-General, Department of Housing and Public Works. The publishing of the procurement method used is mandated for contracts valued at $500,000 and over.</td>
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We continuously improve the capability and performance of our agencies and people.

We actively manage the performance of our procurement expenditure.

We are outcome focused and look for opportunities to innovate, including continuous improvement to our procurement methods and practices.

We engage with our stakeholders to understand business needs, and seek to exceed expectations.

We ensure efficient and effective use of valuable resources.

We work together with industry and key stakeholders, including local workforces, to ensure government is an attractive customer.

**Intent**

The Queensland Government is committed to:

- enhancing the procurement function to improve the delivery of value for money outcomes.
- building procurement capability to ensure better outcomes like improved contract management, better engagement with stakeholders and suppliers, and embracing innovation.
### How to apply this principle

| 4.1 | Procurement and business areas will proactively engage with each other from pre-procurement through to contract management and disposal to:  
• identify and assess viable solutions to achieve the outcomes sought  
• provide support for, and understand the business needs of, front-line service delivery  
• clearly define procurement objectives to ensure business needs are met  
• manage demand and reduce waste, and manage consumption of valuable resources. | Budget sector agencies  
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| 4.2 | Agencies will adopt a cost-effective market engagement strategy for a procurement, taking into account whole-of-government objectives and the activities of other government buyers in the market, to maximise procurement outcomes for the benefit of buyers and suppliers. | Budget sector agencies  
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| 4.3 | When developing procurement strategies, agencies will pursue opportunities to develop innovative supply solutions, either through innovation in the procurement activity itself, or by fostering innovative solutions by suppliers. Agencies will pursue opportunities to drive innovation through the provisions of the ICT SME Participation Scheme. | Budget sector agencies  
Statutory bodies  
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| 4.4 | Agencies will ensure processes are in place to manage contracts, including performance and renewal. For significant procurements, a contract management plan will be developed. | Budget sector agencies  
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| 4.5 | Accountable officers are responsible for adopting a workforce approach to building procurement capability. This includes maintaining capability standards commensurate with an accreditation framework, administered by the Office of the Chief Advisor – Procurement. | Budget sector agencies  
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We take a collaborative approach to planning and managing categories of expenditure.

We maximise savings and benefits, and reduce duplication.

Intent

The Queensland Government is committed to working together across agencies to ensure that a whole-of-government approach to procurement is taken and that better procurement outcomes are achieved.

The CEO Leadership Board has a lead role in promoting this whole-of-government approach to procurement, enabled by agencies managing categories.

This principle outlines:

- ways of reducing duplication within government and increasing consistency for suppliers.
- a planned approach to the development of policies that seek to leverage procurement practices and outcomes.

Schedule 3 lists current procurement-related policies.
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| **5.2** The CEO Leadership Board:  
  • will promote a whole-of-government approach to procurement including a focus on understanding the government’s procurement profile and the management of procurement expenditure at the whole-of-government level  
  • will promote cross-agency collaboration on categories of significant expenditure to achieve savings and benefits  
  • may, in consultation with agencies, nominate agencies to manage categories of procurement expenditure common to multiple agencies, or the whole-of-government. | |
| **5.3** Common-use supply arrangements are mandated for use to achieve savings and benefits wherever practical. Agencies can depart from common-use supply arrangements where a good or service is to be supplied to regional or remote Queensland locations. Departures from such arrangements, including strategies to deliver savings and benefits as a result of the agency’s decision, are to form part of the agency’s procurement plan, and will be disclosed and worked through collaboratively with the relevant category council. | Budget sector agencies |
| **5.4** Whole-of-government standard terms and conditions for procurement, or categories of procurement, will be developed by lead agency category teams and made available for the use of budget sector agencies. The Office of the Chief Advisor – Procurement will be consulted by lead agency category teams during the development and revision of terms and conditions to ensure consistency across government. Departures from the terms and conditions are to be based on a defensible assessment of the requirements of the procurement. | |
| **5.5** Agencies are mandated to consult with the Office of the Chief Advisor – Procurement as early as possible during the development of whole-of-government procurement-related policies, and to use guidelines on the development of procurement-related policies. The guidelines can be found at www.qld.gov.au/procurement. Procurement-related policies, targets, commitments and associated guidance will be developed and maintained by the sponsoring agency. The Office of the Chief Advisor – Procurement will maintain a list of all procurement-related policies on its website. | |
Our governance structure facilitates consultation and value for money outcomes. We take a planned approach to our procurement, ensuring alignment across all levels of planning from whole-of-government to individual procurements. We manage risk through effective oversight, accountability and appropriate internal controls.

**Intent**
The Queensland Government is committed to increasing stakeholder and community confidence in procurement through appropriate governance and an integrated planning framework.
### How to apply this principle

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<td>Lead agency category teams will prepare category strategies for endorsement by the relevant category council.</td>
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<td>Agency procurement planning, at both the agency level and for individual significant procurements, will take relevant plans and strategies, such as category strategies, into account.</td>
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| **6.5** | Agency procurement plans will be prepared and, as a minimum:  
  • set out the management and organisation of the procurement function, including an assessment of overall agency procurement capability and strategies for improvement  
  • outline how the objectives of the procurement function will support broader agency objectives  
  • provide an analysis of savings and benefits opportunities (economic, social and environmental) and strategies to achieve these  
  • contain measures, targets, performance against targets and the agency’s approach to risk management for procurement. |
| **6.6** | Planning for significant procurement may be undertaken at either a category level or an individual procurement level and address, at a minimum:  
  • an analysis of demand and the supply market  
  • strategies to achieve value for money, including the advancement of economic, environmental and social outcomes  
  • performance measures and contract management arrangements  
  • an identification and assessment of risks related to the procurement and risk management strategies. Risk assessments address the value, complexity and sensitivity of procurements. |
| **6.7** | The Office of the Chief Advisor – Procurement will issue policy guidelines and procurement guidance for use by agencies. |
**Accountable officer** has the meaning conferred by the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*. For the purposes of this policy, this term also includes Chief Executive Officers of government owned corporations, statutory bodies and special purpose vehicles.

**Agency** means, for the purposes of this policy:
- A department or a statutory body as those expressions are defined in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*
- An entity declared by regulation to be a government owned corporation under the *Government Owned Corporations Act 1993*
- Special purpose vehicles as established from 1 July 2010 and existing special purpose vehicles which are required to comply with the Queensland Procurement Policy by their respective constitutions.

**Budget sector agency** means, for the purposes of this policy, entities declared to be departments pursuant to Section 14 of the *Public Service Act 2008*. It also includes the Electoral Commission of Queensland, Office of the Governor, Public Service Commission, Queensland Audit Office, Queensland Ombudsman and Queensland Parliamentary Service.

**Category** is the grouping of similar goods or services with common demand drivers and a similar supply base.

**Category management** is a lifecycle approach to managing spend that groups categories together and aligns the approach to the characteristics of the category.

**Common-use supply arrangement** means an arrangement intended for whole-of-government use established between the principal and the successful offeror (including without limitation a standing offer arrangement, a register of pre-qualified suppliers, panel arrangement or preferred supplier arrangement).

**Employee** means, for the purposes of this policy, any employee of an agency whether permanent, temporary, full-time, part-time or casual, and any volunteer, student, contractor, consultant or anyone who works in any other capacity for an agency.

**Full, fair and reasonable** has the meaning as defined in the *Queensland Charter for Local Content* administered by the Department of State Development.

**Goods and services** include all property (except for real property) and all types of services including building and construction services, and infrastructure.

**Government’s objectives or objectives of the government** may be stated in legislation, whole-of-government procurement policy and procurement-related policy, whole-of-government procurement plans, directions or formal agreements between government and agencies.

**Large statutory body** means a statutory body where either of the following criteria apply:
- net operating result in excess of $5 million, or
- net assets in excess of $75 million.

**Lead agency** is an agency responsible for managing common categories of expenditure across two or more agencies.

**Limited offer** method is a procurement method where the agency invites a supplier/s of its choice to offer.

**Local supplier** means a supplier of goods or services that maintains a workforce whose usual place of residency (i.e. where they normally live, sleep and eat) is located within a 125 kilometre (km) radius of where the good or service is to be supplied. If a capable local supplier does not exist within the 125 kilometre radius, the radius should be extended progressively to the local region, then Queensland, then Australia, until a suitable supplier is identified.

**Open offer** method is a procurement method where all interested suppliers may submit an offer.

**Procurement** encompasses the whole process of obtaining goods and services. Beginning with the identification of needs, procurement can include the functions of planning, design, standards determination, specification writing, selection of suppliers, financing, contract management, disposals and other related functions. For clarity, ‘procurement’ under this policy does not include ‘grants’ as defined in the *Financial Accountability Handbook* administered by Queensland Treasury.
**Procurement-related policy** is a government policy or instrument, excluding the Queensland Procurement Policy related guidelines and guidance, that influences or impacts procurement activities, practices and decisions. A list of current procurement-related policies is at [www.qld.gov.au/procurement](http://www.qld.gov.au/procurement).

**Purchasing** is the acquisition process for goods and services through purchasing, leasing and licensing and this expression extends to standing offer or similar arrangements by which terms and conditions of purchase are determined.

**Selective offer method** is a procurement method where suppliers that have met pre-established criteria are invited to offer.

**Significant procurement** includes goods and services identified by the agency as being high expenditure and/or for which there is a high degree of business risk.

**Small and medium enterprise** means a business employing less than 200 people.

**Special purpose vehicle** means, for the purposes of this policy, a company incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001 (Cwlth)* that is under the control of a Queensland Government department, and which is established for a specific purpose such as delivery of infrastructure projects. For the purpose of this definition a ‘company’ does not include a government-owned corporation.

**Supplier** means an enterprise known to be capable of supplying required goods and/or services. It includes manufacturers, stockists, resellers, merchants, distributors, consultants and contractors.

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**Schedule 2: Procurement in the Queensland Government – overview**

**Agency-led, centrally enabled**

The Queensland Government has established an agency-led procurement operating model. Under this model agencies are accountable for their own procurement activities through a category management approach within a whole-of-government framework of legislation, procurement-related policies and minimum standards.

The Office of the Chief Advisor – Procurement provides expert procurement policy advice and support to agencies.

**Roles and responsibilities: agencies**

Accountable officers within agencies are responsible for their agency’s procurement outcomes, and for ensuring this policy is followed and embedded into practice within their agencies.

Accountable officers are to ensure that any procurement-related procedures they have in place are consistent with the principles of this policy.

Accountable officers within agencies remain accountable for procurements delivered on their behalf by a provider external to their agency including, for example, those delivered by shared service providers or under corporate partnership agreements.

All employees are required to comply with this policy.
Roles and responsibilities: Office of the Chief Advisor – Procurement

The Chief Advisor – Queensland Government Procurement (supported by the Office of the Chief Advisor – Procurement) is responsible for:

- ensuring this policy, its related guidelines and guidance are appropriate, reflect better practice and facilitate a high standard of procurement performance
- providing expert procurement advice and support to agencies
- facilitating collaboration across agencies
- engaging with the Queensland Government Procurement Committee and Procurement Industry Advisory Group on matters of strategic importance
- providing guidance to agencies in relation to economic, social and environmental benefits and opportunities
- overseeing a consistent approach to procurement methodology and procedures, including reducing procurement process costs for suppliers and agencies across government
- coordinating whole-of-government procurement capability building and training initiatives
- coordinating whole-of-government procurement performance reporting in accordance with requirements established by the CEO Leadership Board.

Procurement governance overview

The governance framework includes:

- the CEO Leadership Board – facilitates a whole-of-government approach to procurement in accordance with this policy. It provides strategic direction and oversight for Queensland Government procurement.
- the Queensland Government Procurement Committee – provides advice and direction on whole-of-government procurement activities.
- the Procurement Industry Advisory Group – provides coordinated, strategic level industry input regarding procurement.
- Category councils – oversee and direct strategic procurement activities in relation to groups of related spend, govern the category strategy for a particular spend profile, and engage with industry.

Figure 2 below sets out the current procurement governance structure. For more information on governance refer to www.qld.gov.au/procurement.
Schedule 3 – Procurement-related policies and instruments

The Queensland Government maintains a number of policies and instruments relevant to procurement. These are collectively referred to as procurement-related policies. Current procurement-related policies are set out in the table below and are available at [www.qld.gov.au/procurement](http://www.qld.gov.au/procurement).

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