

<b>Treasurer's Instruction No</b>	<b>1215</b>
Title	<b>Use of prequalified contractors: building and construction/roads and bridges</b>
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Objective and Background	<b>Provides instructions on the procedures that agencies must follow when engaging prequalified contractors for major works.</b>
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*Black letter (or bold) items within these Instructions are mandatory and other plain font items are instructional or for the purpose of providing guidance only.*

- (1) This instruction applies only to the procurement of building and construction and roads and bridges and is to be read in conjunction with other Instructions relating to such procurements which are contained in the 1200 series of the Treasurer's Instructions.**

Further information on building and construction procurement, including a definition of "building and construction" and "roads and bridges" and information on the types of services that fall under these categories is located at [www.purchasing.tas.gov.au](http://www.purchasing.tas.gov.au)>Buying for Government.

For information in relation to procurement of goods and non-construction related services, refer to the 1100 series of the Treasurer's Instructions.

- (2) For all major works projects, agencies must ensure that tenders are only awarded to appropriately prequalified contractors, where a suitable category exists.**

For minor works, the use of prequalified contractors is optional.

Further information on the requirements for major works procurements is provided in Instruction 1207.

#### Building and Construction

Contractors must be prequalified by the closing date of the tender.

For all non-residential building procurement with a construction cost estimate of \$50 million or above commenced after 1 March 2011, the *National Prequalification System for Non-residential Building* (NPS) is to be used.

For all other building and construction projects, the Treasury Prequalification Scheme is to be used. A list of contractors prequalified under that scheme is located at [www.tenders.tas.gov.au](http://www.tenders.tas.gov.au)>Tools and Help>Agency eTendering

Admin>Prequalified Contractors and Consultants. An eTendering login is required to access this database.

Further information on both the NPS and the Treasury Prequalified Contractor Scheme can be located at [www.purchasing.tas.gov.au](http://www.purchasing.tas.gov.au)>Buying for Government; from the Manager, Contracts, Procurement and Property Branch, Department of Treasury and Finance, phone (03) 6233 3673; or by email to [prequalified@treasury.tas.gov.au](mailto:prequalified@treasury.tas.gov.au).

### Roads and Bridges

The Department of Infrastructure, Energy and Resources (DIER) administers a prequalification system for roads and bridges based on the Austroads *National Prequalification System for Civil (Road and Bridge) Construction Contracts*. For roads and bridges major works, tender documentation is to be issued only to prequalified contractors.

Further information on the use of the DIER prequalified contractors is available from Elisa Casey by email to at [elisa.casey@dier.tas.gov.au](mailto:elisa.casey@dier.tas.gov.au) or by phone on (03) 6233 6376 or located on the following website [www.transport.tas.gov.au/road/contract\\_tenders](http://www.transport.tas.gov.au/road/contract_tenders).