



STATE OF TENNESSEE
WILDLIFE AND RESOURCES AGENCY

INVITATION TO BID # 32801-13684
QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS
Duty Belts and Accessories

DATE: August 8, 2025

1. State responses to questions and comments in the table below amend and clarify this ITB.

Any restatement of ITB text in the Question/Comment column shall NOT be construed as a change in the actual wording of the ITB document.

Are substitutions allowed for comparable products?	No. Substitutions will not be permitted for this event.
Would be able to bid on specific items that we could provide or would we need to be able to provide every single product listed on the bid?	Respondents are required to bid on all items detailed on the event. Please refer to ITB 32801-13684 Specifications document, Section 3.B.
<p>Section 5.D. General Requirements states “If the mandatory manufacturer is not available, substituted items shall be of equal quality and be approved by the State Entity. Mandatory items provided for continuity of style, color, quality, etc. with pre-existing law enforcement uniform items.”</p> <p>We have a duty belt that we feel is 100% better than all other duty belts out there, for the reason that our duty belt does not put pressure on the nerve that goes from the hip to the groin area. Other duty belts put great pressure on this nerve which amounts to great discomfort and pain for the officers. Our duty belt has been developed to look after the well being of officers.</p> <p>What do I need to do to get our duty belt approved so we can submit a bid with our duty belt?</p>	<p>Substitutions will not be permitted at this time.</p> <p>The Flex Combat Battle Belt, while potentially effective for tactical or combat scenarios, is less aligned with the needs of standard law enforcement duties due to its bulkier design, combat-focused features, and potential for reduced stability or compatibility with existing equipment.</p> <p>Substituting it could lead to operational inefficiencies, increased training needs, and reduced user satisfaction, particularly for officers requiring a reliable, comfortable belt for extended shifts.</p> <p>Continuing with the requested Safariland belts ensures consistency, reliability, and alignment with professional duty requirements.</p>

2. ITB Amendment Effective Date. The revisions set forth herein shall be effective upon release. All other terms and conditions of this ITB not expressly amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.