



Transparency

EU Procurement Thresholds – changed on 1 January 2012

From 1 January 2012 new contract value thresholds apply and contracting authorities must put contracts out to tender if the following thresholds are met:

Contracting Authorities	Type of contract	New Threshold (net of VAT)
Central government bodies (and their successors)	Supplies – public contracts	£113,057 (€130,000)
	Services – Part A public contracts (some exceptions at £173,934)	
Other public sector contracting authorities (e.g. councils, registered social landlords)	Supplies – public contracts	£173,934 (€200,000)
	Services – Part A public contracts	
All Contracting Authorities	Works – both public and utilities contracts	£4,348,350 (€5,000,000)
	Services – Part B public contracts	£173,934 (€200,000)
	Supplies or Services – utilities contracts	£347,868 (€400,000)

As before, these thresholds will apply for a 2 year period, changing next on 1 January 2014.

On this occasion they have increased due to exchange rate fluctuations.

If you wish advice on procurement, or on any of the exemptions that apply to the requirement to put over-threshold contracts out to tender, please contact **bto**.

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