

Department of Contracts
Notre Dame Ravelin
Floriana

To Heads of Department
and Parastatal Bodies

31 December 2006

Mild Steel Bars, Angles, Plates and Hollow Sections

1. Heads of Department and Accounting Officers are hereby informed that the contract for the supply and delivery of Mild Steel Bars, Angles, Plates and Hollow Sections to Government Departments and Parastatal Bodies, as and when required, has been placed with the contractors shown below for the items and at the prices indicated on the attached Schedule. Prices are inclusive of all charges and taxes including 18% VAT.

- a) M/S Joseph Caruana Co. Ltd.
Caruana Bldg.
Mgarr Road
Victoria
Gozo

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- b) M/S Transmec Services Ltd.
Wied il-Ghasel
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Tel: 21580908
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Requirements for items where no award is shown are to be procured from the open market.

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2. Payments to contractors are not to be made until further notice.
3. This contract shall run from the 2nd January 2007 up to the 31st December 2007.
4. The attention of Heads of Department is drawn to Clauses 5 and 6 of the attached Specifications and Conditions regulating this contract.
5. This contract is also governed by the usual 'General Conditions of Contract for the Supply of Goods and Materials under a Running Period Contract.'

A. Cachia
f/Director General (Contracts)

Jos. Caruana Ltd.

1. Mild Steel Bars - Machineable Quality ROUND

Per metre

1. 1	5mm	(3/16")	09c0
1. 2	6mm	(1/4")	08c0
1. 3	8mm	(5/16")	13c0
1. 4	10mm	(3/8")	19c0
1. 5	12mm	(1/2")	27c0
1. 7	16mm	(3/8")	48c0
1. 8	19mm	(3/4")	62c0
1. 9	22mm	(7/8")	90c0
1.10	25mm	(1")	1.16c0
1.11	32mm	(1 ¼")	1.75c0
1.12	38mm	(1 ½")	3.00c0
1.13	50mm	(2")	5.00c0
1.14	65mm	(2 ½ ")	7.00c0
1.15	70mm	(2 ¾")	9.00c0
1.16	75mm	(3")	14.00c0

2. Mild Steel Bars - Machineable Quality SQUARE

Per metre

2. 1	6mm	(1/4")	12c0
2. 2	8mm	(5/16")	20c0
2. 3	10mm	(3/8")	24c0
2. 4	12mm	(1/2")	34c0
2. 5	16mm	(5/8")	61c0
2. 6	19mm	(3/4")	80c0
2. 7	25mm	(1")	1.50c0
2. 9	38mm	(1 1/2")	4.00c0
2.10	50mm	(2")	6.00c0
2.11	65mm	(2 1/2")	11.00c0
2.12	70mm	(2 3/4")	13.00c0
2.13	75mm	(3")	16.00c0

3. Mild Steel Bars - Machineable Quality FLAT

Per metre

3.1	1.5mm	(1/16")	x	25mm	(1")	14c5
3.2	3mm	(1/8")	x	12mm	(1/2")	10c0
3.3	3mm	(1/8")	x	16mm	(5/8")	11c5
3.4	3mm	(1/8")	x	19mm	(3/4")	15c5
3.5	3mm	(1/8")	x	25mm	(1")	18c5
3.6	3mm	(1/8")	x	32mm	(1 1/4")	21c5
3.7	3mm	(1/8")	x	38mm	(1 1/2")	28c5
3.8	3mm	(1/8")	x	45mm	(1 3/4")	36c5
3.9	3mm	(1/8")	x	50mm	(2")	36c5
3.10	5mm	(3/16")	x	16mm	(5/8")	19c0
3.11	5mm	(3/16")	x	19mm	(3/4")	23c5
3.12	5mm	(3/16")	x	25mm	(1")	29c5

3.13	5mm	(3/16")	x	32mm	(1 1/4")	35c5
3.14	5mm	(3/16")	x	38mm	(1 1/2")	47c2
3.15	5mm	(3/16")	x	45mm	(1 3/4")	58c8
3.16	5mm	(3/16")	x	50mm	(2")	59c0
3.17	6mm	(1/4")	x	12mm	(1/2")	19c5
3.18	6mm	(1/4")	x	16mm	(5/8")	23c0
3.19	6mm	(1/4")	x	19mm	(3/4")	28c2
3.20	6mm	(1/4")	x	25mm	(1")	35c5
3.21	6mm	(1/4")	x	32mm	(1 1/4")	41c0
3.22	6mm	(1/4")	x	38mm	(1 1/2")	55c0
3.23	6mm	(1/4")	x	45mm	(1 3/4")	71c0
3.24	6mm	(1/4")	x	50mm	(2")	71c0
3.28	6mm	(1/4")	x	100mm	(4")	1.41c0
3.29	8mm	(5/16")	x	38mm	(1 1/2")	0.54c8
3.30	8mm	(5/16")	x	50mm	(2")	91c0
3.31	8mm	(5/16")	x	65mm	(2 1/2")	1.15c0
3.34	8mm	(5/16")	x	100mm	(4")	1.89,0
3.35	10mm	(3/8")	x	25mm	(1")	58c5
3.36	10mm	(3/8")	x	32mm	(1 1/4")	70c8
3.37	10mm	(3/8")	x	38mm	(1 1/2")	94c0
3.38	10mm	(3/8")	x	45mm	(1 3/4")	1.28c0
3.39	10mm	(3/8")	x	50mm	(2")	1.18c0
3.40	10mm	(3/8")	x	65mm	(2 1/2")	1.41c0
3.42	10mm	(3/8")	x	125mm	(5")	2.60c0
3.43	12mm	(1/2")	x	25mm	(1")	70c0
3.44	12mm	(1/2")	x	32mm	(1 1/4")	85c0
3.45	12mm	(1/2")	x	38mm	(1 1/2")	1.13c0
3.46	12mm	(1/2")	x	45mm	(1 3/4")	1.45c0
3.47	12mm	(1/2")	x	50mm	(2")	1.40c0
3.48	12mm	(1/2")	x	65mm	(2 1/2")	1.69c0
3.49	12mm	(1/2")	x	75mm	(3")	2.26c0
3.50	12mm	(1/2")	x	100mm	(4")	2.85c0
3.51	19mm	(3/4")	x	75mm	(3")	4.50c0
3.52	19mm	(3/4")	x	100mm	(4")	5.00c0

4. Mild Steel Bars - Machineable Quality

ANGLE

Per metre

4.1	12mm	(1/2")	x	12mm	(1/2")	x	3mm	(1/8")	30c0
4.2	19mm	(3/4")	x	19mm	(3/4")	x	3mm	(1/8")	27c0
4.4	25mm	(1")	x	25mm	(1")	x	5mm	(3/16")	53c6
4.5	25mm	(1")	x	25mm	(1")	x	6mm	(1/4")	58c5
4.6	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	3mm	(1/8")	41c0
4.7	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	5mm	(3/16")	63c5
4.8	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	6mm	(1/4")	78c0
4.9	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	10mm	(3/8")	1.20c0
4.10	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	3mm	(1/8")	56c0
4.11	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	6mm	(1/4")	1.00c0
4.12	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	8mm	(5/16")	1.50c0
4.13	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	10mm	(3/8")	1.75c0
4.14	45mm	(1 3/4")	x	45mm	(1 3/4")	x	6mm	(1/4")	1.20c0

4.15	45mm	(1 3/4")	x	45mm	(1 3/4")	x	8mm	(5/16")	1.60c0
4.16	50mm	(2")	x	50mm	(2")	x	6mm	(1/4")	1.29c0
4.17	50mm	(2")	x	50mm	(2")	x	8mm	(5/16")	1.95c0
4.18	65mm	(2 1/2")	x	65mm	(2 1/2")	x	6mm	(1/4")	1.63c0
4.19	65mm	(2 1/2")	x	65mm	(2 1/2")	x	8mm	(5/16")	2.25c0
4.20	65mm	(2 1/2")	x	65mm	(2 1/2")	x	10mm	(3/8")	2.80c0
4.22	75mm	(3")	x	75mm	(3")	x	10mm	(3/8")	4.00c0
4.23	89mm	(3 1/2")	x	89mm	(3 1/2")	x	10mm	(3/8")	4.80c0
4.24	100mm	(4")	x	100mm	(4")	x	12mm	(1/2")	5.75c0

5. Mild Steel Bars - Machineable Quality 'T' IRON

Per metre

5.1	19mm	(3/4")	x	3mm	(1/8")	thick	35c0
5.2	25mm	(1")	x	3mm	(1/8")	thick	35c0
5.3	25mm	(1")	x	5mm	(3/16")	thick	50c0
5.4	25mm	(1")	x	6mm	(1/4")	thick	60c0
5.5	25mm	(1")	x	8mm	(5/16")	thick	1.00c0
5.6	25mm	(1")	x	10mm	(3/8")	thick	1.00c0
5.7	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	3mm	(1/8")	thick	1.30c0
5.8	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	6mm	(1/4")	thick	1.30c0
5.9	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	8mm	(5/16")	thick	1.65c0
5.12	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	5mm	(3/16")	thick	1.00c0
5.13	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	6mm	(1/4")	thick	1.00c0
5.19	50mm	(2")	x	5mm	(3/16")	thick	1.60c0
5.20	50mm	(2")	x	6mm	(1/4")	thick	1.75c0
5.21	50mm	(2")	x	8mm	(5/16")	thick	2.00c0
5.23	65mm	(2 1/2")	x	6mm	(1/4")	thick	3.50c0

MILD STEEL HOLLOW SECTION

Per metre

6.1	19mm	(3/4")	x	19mm	(3/4")	x	G1.25mm	40c0
6.2	19mm	(3/4")	x	19mm	(3/4")	x	G1.50mm	40c0
6.3	25mm	(1")	x	25mm	(1")	x	G1.25mm	48c0
6.4	25mm	(1")	x	25mm	(1")	x	G1.50mm	48c0
6.5	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	32mm	(1 1/4")	x	G2.00mm	60c0
6.6	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	G2.00mm	83c0
6.7	50mm	(2")	x	25mm	(1")	x	G1.25mm	75c0
6.8	50mm	(2")	x	25mm	(1")	x	G1.50mm	1.25,0
6.9	50mm	(2")	x	50mm	(2")	x	G1.50mm	90c0
6.11	50mm	(2")	x	100mm	(4")	x	G2.50mm	2.10c0
6.12	60mm	(2")	x	100mm	(4")	x	G3.00mm	2.25c0
6.13	65mm	(2 1/2")	x	38mm	(1 1/2")	x	G1.50mm	1.00c0
6.14	65mm	(2 1/2")	x	65mm	(2 1/2")	x	G3.00mm	1.70c0
6.15	75mm	(3")	x	75mm	(3")	x	G3.00mm	2.40c0
6.16	89mm	(3 1/2")	x	50mm	(2")	x	G3.00mm	2.00c0

8 STEEL PLATES CHEQUERED

Per metre

8.1	2.44m	(8')	x	1.22m	(4')	x	6mm	(1/4")	52.00c0
8.2	2.44m	(8')	x	1.22m	(4')	x	5mm	(3/16")	42.00c0

Size 2.4m (8') x 1.22m (4')

Per metre

10.18	G14 (2mm)	18.50c0
10.19	G16 (1.5mm)	15.50c0
10.20	G20 (1mm)	10.80c0

11. EXPANDED METAL STEEL SHEETS (FLATTENED)

Size 2.4m (8') x 1.22m (4')

Per metre

11.3	Mesh 40mm x 13mm Strands 2.4mm x 1.2mm	14.50c0
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12. MILD STEEL SHEET/ PLATES

1.8m (6') x 0.9m (3')

Per metre

12.2	1.6 mm (1/16")	7.50c0
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13. 1.8m (6') x 1.2m (4')

Per metre

13.1	1.6 mm (1/16")	12.00c0
13.2	3 mm (1/8")	23.50c0
13.3	5 mm (3/16")	42.00c0
13.4	6 mm (1/4")	50.00c0
13.5	10 mm (3/8")	83.00c0
13.6	12 mm (1/2")	100.00c0
13.7	16mm (5/8")	155.00c0
13.8	19mm (3/4")	175.00c0

14. 2.4m (8') x 0.9m (3')

Per metre

14.1	1.6 mm (1/16")	12.00c0
14.2	3 mm (1/8")	21.50c0
14.3	5 mm (3/16")	40.00c0
14.4	6 mm (1/4")	50.00c0
14.5	10mm (3/8")	83.00c0
14.6	12mm (1/2")	100.00c0
14.7	16mm (5/8")	155.00c0
14.8	19mm (3/4")	175.00c0

15. 2.4m (8') x 1.2m (4')

Per metre

15.1	1.6 mm (1/16")	12.00c0
15.2	3 mm (1/8")	23.50c0
15.3	5 mm (3/16")	42.00c0
15.4	6 mm (1/4")	52.00c0

15.5	10mm	(3/8")		88.00c0
15.6	12mm	(1/2")		105.00c0
15.7	16mm	(5/8")		155.00c0
15.8	19mm	(3/4")		175.00c0

16. CHANNEL BARS

Per metre

16.1	50mm	(2")	x	25mm	(1")	x	5mm	(3/16")	1.25c0
16.2	75mm	(3")	x	38mm	(1½")	x	6mm	(1/4")	2.60c0
16.3	100mm	(4")	x	38mm	(1½")	x	6mm	(1/4")	3.10c0
16.4	100mm	(4")	x	50mm	(2")	x	5mm	(3/16")	3.10c0
16.5	125mm	(5")	x	75mm	(3")	x	8mm	(5/16")	4.00c0
16.6	150mm	(6")	x	75mm	(3")	x	12mm	(1/2")	5.25c0
16.7	203mm	(8")	x	75mm	(3")	x	10mm	(1/2")	9.00c0

Transmec Services Ltd.

1. Mild Steel Bars - Machineable Quality ROUND

Per metre

1. 6	14mm	(9/16")	39c0
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2. Mild Steel Bars - Machineable Quality SQUARE

Per metre

2. 8	32mm	(1 1/4")	2.30c0
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3. Mild Steel Bars - Machineable Quality FLAT

Per metre

3.25	6mm	(1/4")	x	65mm	(2 1/2")	91c8
3.26	6mm	(1/4")	x	75mm	(3")	1.10c0
3.27	6mm	(1/4")	x	88mm	(3 1/2")	1.25c0
3.41	10mm	(3/8")	x	75mm	(3")	1.80c0

4. Mild Steel Bars - Machineable Quality ANGLE

Per metre

4.3	25mm	(1")	x	25mm	(1")	x	3mm	(1/8")	30c0
4.21	75mm	(3")	x	75mm	(3")	x	8mm	(5/16")	2.95c0

MILD STEEL HOLLOW SECTION

Per metre

6.10	50mm	(2")	x	100mm	(4")	x	G1.50mm	1.99,9
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9. SHEETS ELECTRO GALVANISED

Per metre

9.1	2.44m	(8')	x	1.22m	(4')	x	0.71mm	9.48c0
9.2	2.44m	(8')	x	1.22m	(4')	x	1mm	11.70c0

10. SHEETS GALVANISED

Size 1.8m (6') x 0.9m (3')

Per metre

10.2	G16 (1.5mm)	11.10c0
10.3	G 20 (1mm)	7.80c0

Size 2.4m (8') x 0.6m (2')

Per metre

10.13	G16 (1.5mm)	10.25c0
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Size 2.4m (8') x 0.8m (2 1/2')

Per metre

10.14	G14 (2mm)	18.20c0
10.15	G16 (1.5mm)	12.45c0

Size 2.4m (8') x 0.9m (3')

Per metre

10.16	G14 (2mm)	17.95c0
10.17	G16 (1.5mm)	13.85c0

Size 2.4m (8') x 1.22m (4')

Per metre

10.21	G22 (0.8mm)	9.50c0
10.22	G24 (0.6mm)	7.10c0
10.23	G26 (0.5mm)	7.10c0

Size 3.05m (10') x 0.9m (3')

Per metre

10.24	G16 (1.5mm)	17.40c0
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11. EXPANDED METAL STEEL SHEETS (FLATTENED)

Size 2.4m (8') x 1.22m (4')

Per metre

11.5	Mesh 75mm x 25mm Strands 3mm x 2mm	9.00c0
11.6	Mesh 115mm x 40mm Strands 3mm x 3mm	13.95c0

SPECIFICATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE SUPPLY OF MILD STEEL BARS, ANGLES,

PLATES AND HOLLOW SECTIONS

Scope of Contract

1. This contract provides for the supply, delivery and stacking at ground level, inclusive of Value Added Tax, Customs Import Duty, Levy, ECO Contribution (if any) and other charges as applicable, to Government Departments and Parastatal Bodies as and when required, of Mild Steel Bars, Angles, Plates and Hollow Sections as described in the attached schedule. Supply shall be made in accordance with the attached General Conditions of Contract for the supply of Goods and Materials under a running (Period) contract insofar as these are not inconsistent with these specifications and special conditions.

Period of Completion

2. This contract shall run from the 2nd January 2007 and terminates on the 31st December 2007. However the validity of the contract may be extended for a further period of two (2) calendar months after the due termination date.

Quantities

3. The quantities shown on the schedule are only indicative and where necessary may be exceeded. Moreover Government reserves the right not to order the whole quantity shown and Government would not by doing so be held liable to any damages or other costs whatsoever.

Deliveries

4. A supply shall be made on receipt of a Requisition or Order from the Head of Department concerned or his representative and the material ready for collection within the time specified. Government will not accept liability for verbal orders and will not meet claims for any value thereof even though the material may have been supplied and made use of by the Department concerned.
5. The Head of Department shall have the power to reject any consignment or part thereof, should it not be to his satisfaction or should the material not be in accordance with the specifications/sample submitted by contractor and approved by Government for award of contract.

SPECIFICATIONS

6. The bars, angles and plates shall (a) conform in all respects to the latest edition of British Standard 4360 or equivalent, (b) be well and clearly rolled up to the required dimensions, sections and weights. They shall be sound and free from such segregations, cracks, laminations or surface flaws as might prevent their use for the intended purpose. All items except the steel plate shall be from 3 metres (10') to 6 metres (20') long.

7. Scope

The British Standard quoted above applies to weldable steel having minimum tensile strengths of 26, 28, 32 and 36 tons per square inch for general structural and engineering purposes. The steel must be equally suitable for bolted or riveted structures. The standard includes hot rolled hollow sections except that those formed from plates and subsequently metal-arc welded are covered only in regards to the plate material from which they are formed.

Chemical Composition

8. The chemical composition is to be based on the Ladle Analysis while the product is to conform to the table specified in BS 4360.

Mild steel plate having a thickness less than 3mm must comply with the latest edition of BS 1449 Part 28.

9. The name and address of the manufacturer and the country where the goods will be manufactured shall be furnished. Failure to give this information may involve non-consideration of the tender. The relative standard shall be quoted. Full specifications of the product offered shall also be submitted.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

10. Tenderers shall quote a unit rate per metre/sheet in Maltese currency for each item they offer to supply as indicated on the attached schedule. Prices shall be inclusive of Value Added Tax, Customs Import Duty, Levy, ECO Contribution (if any) and other charges as applicable, of the material being offered. Moreover the successful bidder shall be bound to conform in all respects with VAT legislation and regulations.
11. The Head of Department or his representative reserves the right to inspect the material at the Contractor's warehouse.

Prices

12. Tenderers shall quote a unit rate in Maltese currency for each box they offer to supply. Tenderers must quote a price for each individual items as per schedule. Failure to comply will involve non-consideration of the tender. Prices shall be inclusive of Value Added Tax, Customs Import Duty, Levy, ECO Contribution (if any) and other charges as applicable. Moreover the successful bidder shall be bound to conform in all respects with VAT legislation and regulations.

13. The Head of Department or his representative reserves the right to inspect the material at the Contractor's warehouse.

14. **Interpretation of Correction of Tender Documents**

- a. Tenderers shall promptly notify the Director of Contracts of any ambiguity in or discrepancy between any of the Tender documents which they may discover upon examination of the Tender Documents.
- b. Tenderers requiring clarification or interpretations of the Tender Documents shall make a written request shall reach the Director of Contracts at least sixteen (16) days prior to the date of receipt of Tenders. Any request after this date will not be accepted.
- c. Any interpretations, corrections or changes to the Tender Documents by the Director of Contracts will be made by an official addenda. Interpretations, corrections or changes made in any other manner will not be valid, and Tenderers shall not rely upon such interpretations, corrections and changes.

15. **Addenda**

- a. Addenda will be telefaxed and confirmed by mail to the Tenderers.
- b. No addenda will be issued later than six (6) days prior to the date of receipt of Tenders except an addendum postponing the date for receipt of Tenders or withdrawing the request for tenders.
- c. Each Tenderer shall ascertain, prior to submitting his Tender, that he has received all addenda issued and shall acknowledge their receipt in his Tender.

16. Arbitration: Any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this contract, or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof, shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the rules of the Malta Arbitration Centre as at present in force. Any reference in the attached General Conditions to other arbitration procedures shall not apply.

17. **Data Protection Act**

The information collected on this form shall be processed in accordance to the Data Protection Act 2001. The contents of this document are confidential and intended solely for the use of this organization, and will not be disclosed or copied without your consent to anyone outside the Ministry of Finance unless the law permits us to.

18. **Payments**

The payment terms referred to under the relative Clause of the General Conditions particular to this tender states that payment shall be effective within a reasonable period time. This should be taken to mean that payment is to be effected within 60 days from the date of receipt of the invoice or request for goods delivered, services rendered or work carried out to the satisfaction of the Head of Department or his representative.

In breach of this time limit a contractor would become entitled to the payment of interest at 2% over the rate of interest established by Central Bank of Malta for the particular period.

19. **Ownership of Tenders**

The Contracting Authority retains ownership of all tenders received under this tendering procedure. Consequently, tenderers have no right to have their tenders returned to them.

20. **Confidentiality**

The entire evaluation procedure is confidential. The Evaluation Committee's decisions are collective and its deliberations are held in closed session. The members of the Evaluation Committee are bound to secrecy.

The evaluation reports and written records, in particular, are for official use only and may be communication neither to the tenderers nor to any party.

21. **Appeals Board**

This tender is being published and awarded subject to the appeals board procedure as set forth in the Financial Administration and Audit Act (Cap 174), Legal Notice No. 177, Public Contracts Regulations 2005 published in the Government Gazette No. 17775 dated 3rd June 2005 and as amended by LN 130 of 2006. A copy of the relevant Part XIII of these regulations is being attached with this tender document.

22. **Award Notification**

Tenders are opened and scheduled in public by the General Contracts Committee members within the Contracts Department and the names of the Bidders are published. Once the recommendations made by the Adjudication Team are accepted, the awardee's name shall be published by the Department of Contracts every Wednesday and Friday. Bidders can obtain this information by polling fax number 21226156 or by viewing the Department's website on contracts.gov.mt.

23. The attached 'General Conditions Governing the Employment of Labour in Malta' and 'General Conditions for the supply of material and other articles' insofar as they are not inconsistent with the above shall also apply.