

Department of Contracts
Notre Dame Ravelin
FLORIANA

To Ministries
Heads of Departments and Entities

27 June 2022

SUPPLY OF ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY RECYCLED TOILET PAPER

1. Ministries, Heads of Department and Entities are hereby informed that the contract for the supply and delivery of Recycled Toilet Paper to Public Sector entities, as and when required, has been awarded to:

Karta Converters Ltd
K1A
Corradino Industrial Estate
PAOLA PLA 3000

Tel: 21674869

Email: wprivitera@kartaconverters.com

At the rate of €2.44 excluding VAT per 10 rolls

2. Payments are to be made directly to the Contractor.
3. Each roll shall be indelibly stamped with the letter 'G.M.' at one end or on the core.
4. Heads of Department and Entities are to note that samples of the recycled toilet paper purchased should at their discretion be submitted for testing at the Laboratory Services Directorate, Mosta Technopark in order to ensure compliance with the published specifications.
5. This contract shall be valid until **14 June 2024**.
6. The technical specifications regulating this Contract are attached. User departments/entities are to ensure that these conditions are strictly adhered to.
7. This contract is also governed by the usual 'General Conditions for the Supply Contracts'.

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Director General (Contracts)

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

1. The toilet paper rolls shall have the following characteristics:
 - a) The two-ply toilet paper rolls shall be of extra soft grade. The average grammage of the double ply paper shall be not less than 34g/m².
 - b) They shall consist of unglazed soft tissue paper and shall be free from deleterious defects such as fibre bundles and wood splinters and other defects that may impair its serviceability.
 - c) The length of paper per rolls shall be not less than 26m and not more than 28m. Any shortages from the agreed length in any one roll shall not exceed 2%.
 - d) The width of the sheets shall be 100mm plus or minus 2mm. The sheets are to be neatly and firmly rolled on a cylindrical core of the same width. The sides of each roll shall be clearly cut and the paper at the other end of the roll shall not be glued to the underlying paper.
 - e) The length of a sheet on a roll shall be not less than 110mm and not more than 130mm.
 - f) The perforations shall be functional and allow a clear tear on the sheet.
 - g) The inside diameter of the core of a toilet paper roll shall not be less than 32mm and not more than 45mm. The outside diameter of the roll shall not exceed 125mm.
 - h) The tensile strength of the paper shall be not less than 2.1N/15mm of width in the machine direction, 0.6N/15mm of width in the cross direction and 1.5N/15mm of width in the average of both the machine direction and cross direction.
 - i) The softness of the paper shall not exceed 150mN.
 - j) If any dye is used to colour the paper it should conform to Health Standards.
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3. The rolls shall be packed in hygienic, dirt and damp-proof strong polythene bags in a manner so as to allow uniform stacking up to a height of at least three (3) metres.
4. Contractor is to submit whenever requested during the duration of the contract, a Quality Control Analysis Report issued by an independent recognized laboratory, showing that the product being supplied has a very good hygiene standard and do not pose any bacteriological risk to health. In this connection test results should confirm that the bacterial count does not exceed 1cfu per cm².
5. Deliveries shall be made to the place/s indicated on the Order within the time specified thereon which should in no case be longer than 10 calendar days.
6. Green Public Procurement (GPP) Requirements

Tissue paper products

All tissue paper goods to be provided to the Contracting Authority by the Contractor as part of the contract must be compliant with the requirements of EN ISO 14024 Type I Ecolabel.