

Department of Contracts
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To Heads of Department
and Parastatal Bodies

Occupational Health and Safety in Government Contracts

Heads of Department and Parastatal Bodies are requested to ensure that utmost importance is given to the aspect of Occupational Health and Safety both in the preparation of tender documents as well as during the actual execution of awarded contracts.

For this reason they should direct officers under their charge who are responsible for the preparation of tender documents to ensure that henceforth such documents should include the following clauses, either under the Special Conditions or the Instruction to Tenderers Section, as may be appropriate:

“Occupational Health and Safety - The contractor shall assume full responsibility and accountability regarding the health and safety of his/her employees and/or sub-contractors including any third parties involved in the execution of this contract.

The contractor shall be bound to conform with Act V11 of 1994. (Promotion of Occupational Health and Safety) as well as any other national legislation, regulations, standards, and/or codes of practice, in effect during the execution of the contract, regarding health and safety issues, as they apply for the contractor’s particular operating situation and nature of work activities”.

The full co-operation of all officials involved would be appreciated.

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