

Briefing



Procurement

Revised public procurement thresholds

The Commission has recently carried out its biennial review of the public procurement thresholds which apply to contracts awarded under the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2006. From 1 January 2016, the revised figures set out in the table below will be in force.

Interestingly, whereas the Euro figures are revised upwards, the new sterling equivalent figures will in fact be significantly lower than the current thresholds given the relative strength of the pound compared to this time two years ago.

The existing thresholds will continue to apply to competitions commenced before 31 December 2015.

PUBLIC CONTRACTS REGULATIONS 2015			
	Existing Threshold (until 31.12.2015)	Revised Threshold (from 01.01.2016)	
Public supply and public services contracts (central government)	£111,676 (€134,000)	£106,047 (€135,000)	
Public supply and public services contracts (all other contracting authorities)	£172,514 (€207,000)	£164,176 (€209,000)	
Social and other specific services (all contracting authorities)		£589,148 (€750,000)	
Public works contracts and works concessions* (all contracting authorities)	£4,322,012 (€5,186,000)	£4,104,394 (€5,225,000)	

^{*} Public work concessions commenced prior to implementation of Concession Contracts Regulations 2016

UTILITIES CONTRACTS REGULATIONS 2006 *			
	Existing Threshold (until 31.12.2015)	Revised Threshold (from 01.01.2016)	
Supply and services contracts	£345,028 (€414,000)	£328,352 (€418,000)	
Works contracts	£4,322,012 (€5,186,000)	£4,104,394 (€5,225,000)	

^{*} Revised thresholds will apply to Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016 when implemented

CONCESSION CONTRACTS REGULATIONS 2016		
		Threshold (from date of implementation)
Works or services concession contracts		£4,104,394 (€5,225,000)

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