



TO: Potential Bidders

DATE: November 1, 2013

RE: Questions and Responses - RFB#120-13; Uniforms-Sheriff Department

The following information represents a list of bidder's questions, and the official corresponding responses from the County, which were received by the Calhoun County Purchasing Department in accordance with instructions stated in RFB#120-13 (*Page 12, Sec. 2.4 "Inquiries"*). All respondents to the County solicitation will be responsible for this information when submitting a bid for Uniforms. Questions and the related responses that add to, alter, or change in any way, the requirements and specifications in RFB#120-13 may become part of the final contractual documents upon the award of an agreement.

Vendor questions are numbered and italicized, and are followed by the corresponding response by the County in **bold** text. In instances where more than one vendor asked a question and the question was essentially the same, the typed question is a combination of the written inquiries.

QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

1. *Are handcuffs hinge or chain link?*

Handcuffs are standard chain-link; Smith & Wesson, model 100 series, nickel, or comparable.

2. *What size mace cans are used,(for purposes of determining size of pouch)?*

Mace/pepper spray are the MK IV type. This size accommodates the 3 oz. cans, which are approximately 6.5 " long. Pouches are black basketweave-type w/brass snap at the top, DutyMan 2621, or comparable.

3. *What are the desired lumens for flashlight? Rechargeable or battery? If battery, Lithium CR123 or AA? Preferred run time? Any other special functions required?*

85-218 lumens; rechargeable; no battery requirement; minimum run time 2 hours; strobe preferred option; Streamlight Stinger DS LED HP lights, or comparable.

4. *Boots: Is Gore-tex a requirement or is waterproofing acceptable?*

Gore-Tex is not a requirement; however, waterproofing equivalent is requested.

5. *Shoes: RFP states 2 pairs of footwear - 1 pair boots & 1 pair shoes?*

Road Patrol receives on pair of shoes and one pair of boots every 2 years.

6. *Nameplates: What size lettering - 3/8", 1/2", or 5/8"?*

Required plates are 2 1/2" w x 5/8" h, block black lettering, gold-tone finish with clutch backers.

7. *Hardware: Requirement is "should be brass" – Is that brass construction only or is the finish required to be brass as well?*

Requirement is brass-type finish.

8. *Raincoat and rain cover: Is Hi-Vis yellow acceptable in place of orange?*

Acceptable colors: Hi-Vis yellow, orange, green.

9. *Hat badge: Is the model badge being referenced #B546?*

Preference: Blackington badge, hi-glo finish, screw-pin back, State of Michigan seal w/wreath.

10. *Coat and shirt badge: Should these be curved or flat?*

curved

11. *Provide the previous bid pricing in place on the current contract.*

Attached.

Thus ends the question and answer period for RFP#120-13 Uniforms-Sheriff Department.
Bids are due Thursday, November 7, 2013; 3:00 p.m. (Local time)



UNIFORM

*Healthwear, Industrial, Career Apparel,
Postal, Public Safety & Security*



"Store @ Your Door"

**CALHOUN COUNTY BID
#RFP#107-10 UNIFORM-SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

Nye Uniform is Michigan's largest in-stock public safety uniform dealer. It has been our privilege to be the supplier of the Calhoun County Sheriff Department uniforms since 2005. Nye Uniform is located in Grand Rapids, Michigan, our home since 1935. We currently service over 1,600 customers in Michigan-mostly in the law enforcement and public safety sector.

Service – Majority of the products specified are in stock at Nye Uniform. Delivery is 5-10 working days on in-stock product. Special orders are usually 14-21 working days, with the exception of badges. Badges are custom made to order, and delivery is approximately 6 weeks.

Delivery – Nye Uniform ships both FedEx and UPS. Orders will be sent to Sheriff's Office or Justice center, as designated. There will be no charge for shipping. If more than one employee in shipment, each employee's order will be individually bound.

Personnel – Nye Uniform has four outside sales representatives. The sales rep for Calhoun County is Dan VanderHulst. Dan has been with Nye for almost 10 years, and is a true professional. Dan is available to come on site, as needed, at both the Sheriff's Office and Justice center as needed to show samples, measure employees, and resolve issues. Inside our store, Lisa Dumez is the store manager, and Tammy Dumez handles accounts receivable. Both are available when needed.

Order Procedure – Orders can be sent to Nye via telephone, fax, or email. An order form will be provided.

Pricing -

Alterations – Nye Uniform provides standard alterations at no charge. Standard alterations include sewing on customer provided emblems and hemming of pants for length. Name embroidery is \$4.00 per line. Additional alterations can be done, and Nye will price for county as need arises.

Pricing – Pricing for over sized garments is listed on Attachment D-2. Pricing on sizes larger than those listed will be quoted on as needed basis.

Return Policy – Nye Uniform return policy is as follows; Returns are allowed within 30 days on brand new unwashed, unused goods with original tags and packaging. Custom altered and embroidered garments cannot be returned. Defective merchandise will be repaired or replaced as determined by Nye Uniform. Some defective merchandise may have to be returned to the manufacturer for inspection before replacement can be made. Returns that are not the result of a Nye Uniform error, must be returned at customer's expense.

Billing – Nye Uniform will send the county a monthly statement to pay from. Statement will have purchase order number listed, as well as employee name and purchases. Nye Uniform terms are Net 30.

Reports – Nye Uniform is fully computerized and is capable of doing many different reports upon request.

References – Nye Uniform has a long list of satisfied customers for you to choose from.

These customers are similar to your department;

Kent County Sheriff Department – Jaci Pitsch 616-632-6112

Ottawa County Sheriff Department – Lisa Wilcox 616-738-4006

Kalamazoo County Sheriff Department – Sgt Rick Clark 269-383-8753

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ATTACHMENT D-1

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PRICE SHEET - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

(High-volume items are listed in **BOLD** with *)

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PRICE/EA UNIT</u>	<u>SUG. MANF./MODEL</u>	check if: <u>IN-STOCK</u>
ROAD PATROL:			
*trouser	72.99	FECHHEIMER 32213-M1	✓
*shirt-ss	30.99	HORACE SMALL HS1218	✓
*shirt-ls	31.99	HORACE SMALL HS1120	✓
*fatigue pant	50.99	ELBEZO E615	✓
*fatigue shirt	34.99	ELBEZO 6965	✓
hat	49.99	HANKIN #H6H	✓
hat-nylon	13.99	BLAHER #5110	✓
necktie	2.99	BROOME #45015	✓
hat badge	69.99	BLACKINTON #B303	
shirt badge	59.99	BLACKINTON #B956	
coat badge	59.99	BLACKINTON #B302	
tie bar	11.99	BLACKINTON #A367	✓
jacket	239.99	BLAHER #9910Z	✓
jacket- spring	39.99	LIBERTY #525	✓
footwear	89.99	CONVERSE #C8877	✓
gun belt	29.99	DUTYMAN #40214	✓
gun belt - nylon	19.99	DUTYMAN #5041N	✓
cuff case	14.99	DUTYMAN #88214	✓
flashlight holder	4.99	DUTYMAN #30214	✓
mag pouch	16.99	DUTYMAN #85214	✓
mace holder	13.99	DUTYMAN #36214	✓
holster	119.99	SAFARIWIND #070	✓
dress belt	16.99	BOSTON #6505	✓
whistle w/chain	4.99	HEROS PRIDE #4010	✓
name plate	7.99	SMITH WARREN #NP100	
rain coat	49.99	NEESE #447RC3M	✓
hat cover	6.99	BLAHER #107	✓
CO-I:			
*fatigue pant	50.99	ELBEZO E615	✓
*fatigue shirt-ss	34.99	ELBEZO 6965	✓
boots	79.99	CONVERSE #C8688	✓
shoes	59.99	CONVERSE #C8175	✓

* If you are not bidding on an item, indicate "NB" (no bid).

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PRICE SHEET-SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

(High-volume items are listed in **BOLD** with *)

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PRICE/EA UNIT</u>	<u>SUG. MANF./MODEL</u>	check if: <u>IN-STOCK</u>
CRO:			
*trousers	32.99	PERFECTION #2700	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
*polo shirt	13.99	RED KAP #SK72BK	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
shoes	59.99	CONVERSE # C8175	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

10 % over standard price for over-sized items

- MENS SHIRTS- NECK SIZE 18-20
- MENS PANTS- WAIST SIZE 44-54
- WOMENS SHIRTS- BUST SIZE XL + 2XL
- WOMENS PANTS- WAIST SIZE 20-24
- JACKETS/FATIGUE SHIRTS/POLOS- SIZE 2XL-3XL

* If you are not bidding on an item, indicate "NB" (no bid).

(Signature)

(Title)

(Print Name)

(Date)

(Phone)

(Fax #)

(E-mail)