

Supplier Code of Conduct

Statement of Government Expectations

The Government is committed to sustainable and inclusive government procurement that delivers for New Zealand and New Zealanders. This Supplier Code of Conduct outlines the expectations we have of our suppliers. Suppliers must make their subcontractors aware of this code.

Ethical behaviour

The Government expects its suppliers to:

- › manage their activities and affairs, and conduct themselves, with integrity in accordance with applicable laws, regulations and ethical standards
- › not engage in any form of corruption
- › be transparent about their ethical policies and practices.

Labour and human rights

The Government expects its suppliers to:

- › adhere to international human rights standards in their workplace and monitor and address these standards within their supply chain
- › comply with New Zealand employment standards and maintain a workplace that is free from unlawful discrimination.

Health, safety and security

The Government expects its suppliers to:

- › comply with workplace health and safety laws and regulations and maintain healthy and safe work environments
- › comply with any security requirements notified to them by the Government
- › adequately protect any information, assets, tools and materials provided by the Government and return these promptly when requested.

Environmental sustainability

The Government encourages suppliers to establish environmentally responsible business practices and proactively improve their environmental performance. The Government expects its suppliers to:

- › conduct their business in accordance with applicable laws, regulations and standards regarding the mitigation of impacts on, and protection of, the environment
- › work to improve their environmental sustainability and reduce their environmental impacts.

Corporate social responsibility

The Government encourages its suppliers to be good corporate citizens and contribute positively to their communities. Some positive things suppliers could do are:

- › pay their subcontractors promptly
- › consider including local, Māori, and Pasifika businesses to deliver the contract.