

**GNP-57-25: Provision of Corporate Uniform for South African National Parks for a period of five (5) years**

Bidder enquiries:

#	Company	Question	SANParks Response
1.	Patience Dineo Ndhuli	<p>I would like to find out about the Compulsory Virtual Clarification Meeting which was held as follows:</p> <p>Date: 26 November 2025</p> <p>Time: 11H00 Venue: Virtual via MS Teams</p> <p>Does it apply to the extension or not? I did not attend the above-mentioned briefing.</p>	<p>Please note that there will not be a second briefing session and the extension is only for the closing date</p>
2.	Simengempumelelo Primary Trading Co.	<p>I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to enquire about the SanParks uniform tender. I noticed that the due date has been extended to the 26th of January 2025, however I cannot seem to find the briefing session date in the documents. Kindly assist by letting me know when the date of the briefing session is.</p>	<p>Please note that online compulsory briefing session was held on 26/11/2025 at 11h00. Unfortunately, there will not be another briefing session.</p>
3.	GINA Corporate Clothing	<p>How many people is a group? Pricing schedule items 26-31</p>	<p>Please refer to Employee Statistics on page 12 of the Bid Document.</p>
4.	GINA Corporate Clothing	<p>Will you supply graded patterns (electronically) and specifications.</p>	<p>Yes. See Tech Pack.</p>

5.	GINA Corporate Clothing	Will you supply fabric?	No, to be sourced by Successful Bidder.
6.	GINA Corporate Clothing	Please provide fabric specifications (composition, weight) Must the fabrics be sourced locally.	Fabric specifications in terms of composition and weight will be published.
7.	GINA Corporate Clothing	Do you require the DTI letter for exemption on local content?	Not a requirement currently.
8.	GINA Corporate Clothing	May we have a copy of the Special Conditions of Contract?	Special Conditions are included in Bid Document
9.	GINA Corporate Clothing	I have a query, regarding samples- do we need to provide samples before the 3 <sup>rd</sup> of December or make an appointment by the 3 <sup>rd</sup> ? If it is the appointment only by when do you need to view samples?  What is the expectations on samples- one of everything or a sample selection?  I appreciate your response.	No, you are not required to provide samples. Samples are available at our offices for viewing. You may schedule an appointment at any time before 3 <sup>rd</sup> December
10.	Questions from Briefing Session	Can one person represent more than one company at the briefing?	No. One person may represent only <b>one</b> company. Multiple attendees per company are permitted, but only one may register it.
11.	Questions from Briefing Session	What happens if a company does not register in the chat?	The company will be deemed <b>absent</b> and will be <b>disqualified</b> . Attendance is verified against the register.

12.	Questions from Briefing Session	What happens if a tender is submitted but the company didn't attend the briefing?	The tender will not be opened or evaluated. SANParks will contact the bidder only to verify attendance.
13.	Questions from Briefing Session	Can SANParks bid forms be retyped?	No. Bid forms may <b>not</b> be redrafted; only photocopies may be used.
14.	Questions from Briefing Session	What if pages are missing in the submitted bid?	SANParks accepts <b>no liability</b> . Bidders must ensure full completeness.
15.	Questions from Briefing Session	Must samples be submitted before mass production?	Yes. A full sample range must be provided <i>after award and before mass production</i> .
16.	Questions from Briefing Session	What must accompany samples?	SABS material certificate, fabric thickness certification, and a washing/care guide.
17.	Questions from Briefing Session	Will SANParks conduct quality inspections?	Yes. Periodic site visits and SABS laboratory verification may occur.
18.	Questions from Briefing Session	Which sizing must be used?	UK sizes only.
19.	Questions from Briefing Session	How often will bulk orders be placed?	Twice annually.
20.	Questions from Briefing Session	What are delivery lead times?	First bulk order: <b>12 weeks</b> . Subsequent orders: <b>8 weeks</b> .
21.	Questions from Briefing Session	What happens if the supplier misses lead times?	SANParks may source uniforms externally to ensure availability.
22.	Questions from Briefing Session	What must reference letters include?	Client letterhead, company name, service description (uniform manufacturing), contract value, and contract dates.
23.	Questions from Briefing Session	Can purchase orders replace reference letters?	No. They are <b>not acceptable</b> . The original contract award letter may be used if reference letters are refused.
24.	Questions from Briefing Session	Can private-sector reference letters be used?	Yes, if they confirm uniform manufacturing and include contract details.
25.	Questions from Briefing Session	Can one reference letter cover multiple years?	Yes. The client may summarise multiple years and values in one letter.
26.	Questions from Briefing Session	Is the R20m–R60m past contract threshold negotiable?	Not during the briefing. Written representations may be submitted. See Revised Functionality Evaluation Criteria.
27.	Questions from Briefing Session	Does the requirement disadvantage SMMEs and youth?	SANParks acknowledged the concern; bidders may submit written motivations.

28.	Questions from Briefing Session	What is required to prove manufacturing capacity?	Title deed or 12+ month lease for the plant, and a machinery/equipment list.
29.	Questions from Briefing Session	Can a third-party capability report be used for machinery?	Only if the document identifies the machines as belonging to the bidder's supplier. See revised Functionality Evaluation Criteria.
30.	Questions from Briefing Session	What key personnel are required?	Account Manager (10 yrs exp.), Production Manager (5 yrs), Quality Assurance Officer (5 yrs).
31.	Questions from Briefing Session	What financial proof is required?	A letter from an FSCA-registered financial services provider confirming cash or credit facility as per Functionality Criteria.
32.	Questions from Briefing Session	Are bank credit rating letters acceptable?	No. They do not meet requirements.
33.	Questions from Briefing Session	What if my facility is below R5 million?	Please see revised Functionality Criteria.
34.	Questions from Briefing Session	How many suppliers will be appointed per category?	One supplier per category.
35.	Questions from Briefing Session	Will SANParks consider appointing multiple suppliers per category?	The committee considered it but decided against it. Bidders may motivate in writing.
36.	Questions from Briefing Session	Can bidders bid for just one category?	Yes.
37.	Questions from Briefing Session	Who owns the uniform designs?	SANParks owns all designs, patterns and related intellectual property.
38.	Questions from Briefing Session	Can camouflage designs be sold to the public?	No. Commercial sale or unauthorised use is prohibited.
39.	Questions from Briefing Session	How are custom garments handled?	Require prior written approval from SANParks before implementation.