

Queensland Indigenous (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Procurement Policy

QIPP FOR GOVERNMENT BUYERS

What is the QIPP?

The Queensland Indigenous (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Procurement Policy (QIPP) aims to increase the value of Queensland Government contracts awarded to Indigenous businesses. It supports the development, sustainability and growth of Indigenous businesses across Queensland.

The QIPP sets a target that procurement with Indigenous businesses will be 3% of the value of Government's addressable spend by 2022.

The QIPP commenced on 1 September 2017.

What is an Indigenous business?

For the purposes of the QIPP, an Indigenous business is one that is at least 50 per cent owned by an Aboriginal person or a Torres Strait Islander person.

How does QIPP fit with the Queensland Procurement policy

The QIPP is consistent with the Queensland Procurement Policy's focus on value for money, and its recognition that procurement can support other Government objectives, including the achievement of other economic, environmental and social objectives, so value for money means more than just the best price.

Procurement with Indigenous businesses supports Indigenous business growth and development and creates employment. Increasing economic participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders is a priority for Government. The Queensland Indigenous Procurement Policy and the 3% target are embedded in the QPP.

The QIPP maintains a focus on undertaking procurement activities with integrity and ensuring probity and accountability.

How does this affect me?

The QIPP puts the focus on the government buyer to find the best opportunities to procure from Indigenous businesses.

The QIPP encourages government buyers to use set-asides for goods and services delivered to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people – living in remote or discrete communities, or where those goods and services target the needs of a cohort of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

It advocates for selective offer processes where there is a known Indigenous business supply base to meet the contract.

Where can I find Indigenous suppliers?

The Black Business Finder is Queensland Government's Indigenous business database currently listing over 550 Indigenous business across a wide range of goods and services.

The Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships regional offices also have information on local Indigenous businesses.

Contact [your DATSIP Regional office](#) for more information.

What next?

Government buyers should:

- identify where to find capable Indigenous businesses
- improve consideration of Indigenous business capacity to tender
- better understand future opportunities to procure from Indigenous businesses
- recognise that value for money is not always about the lowest priced contract.

Further information

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