QUESTIONS / ANSWERS / CLARIFICATIONS TO THE CALL TO TENDER BIDS FOR THE
SUPPLY OF A WATER AND SANITATION EQUIPMENT „M40“

1. Is it possible to quote for single items? Must one supplier quote for all items?
   
   A supplier should only quote for complete subkits. You’ll find the list of subkits on page 9 in the tender document.

2. Paragraph 10: "The award period..............five months". Does this mean that it may take up to five months to make a decision as to which suppliers are awarded the tender? If that is the case could you confirm if this will be a one-off purchase or if the tender is awarded for a period of time and how long for?
   
   The decision will be made within two or three weeks, but your quotation should be valid for five months. In principle it is an one-off purchase. Only in exceptional cases we will order one or several subkits additional to the first order at a later date.

3. O2 tanks: The specification document states the Old Red Cross code and that "tank steel, the following items have to be assured as per the old version T70". Can you confirm if we should be quoting for the O2 range or the old T70 specification?
   
   Please quote for the O2 tanks. The old Red Cross code is only mentioned because the O2 tanks are not listed in the IFRC Emergency Items Catalogue until now.

4. 5m3 Transport and Storage Bladder Tank Kit with cleaning zip or replaceable inlay
   
   Old Code: KWATTANKP05T
   Tank Bladder the following items have to be assured as per old version 5m3 bladder kit (without cleaning zip or replaceable inlay):
   
   Neither we or our tank supplier understand what is meant by 'cleaning zip and replaceable inlay'. I am speculating that you are describing a two-skinned bladder, where the outer skin provides the strength and has a zip to open it, and the inner skin is the water containing bag which can be replaced when it becomes too dirty inside. It is unlikely that this system can be developed in time to quote for this tender.
   
   Following an example for a bladder tank with a cleaning zip:
   
   [Link to the PDF file]
   
   The bladder tank with a replaceable inlay is as described above. We only accept offers for a bladder tank with a cleaning zip or with a replaceable inlay.

5. Kit components: All the fittings on our smaller tanks were changed from 3” to 2” and, where possible, fittings were changed to Glass Reinforced Nylon (GRN) rather than Galvanised Iron (GI). This made a considerable cost and weight saving without compromising the performance of the equipment in the field. We would prefer to offer the tank with this kit specification, in order for you to take full advantage of
the cost savings we are making. We will include the required Storz fittings. Please confirm that this is acceptable?

Please quote for 3" fittings made out of Galvanised Iron (GI).

6. I have noted that the pump kits listed for the M40 all have “Exhaust Pipes” listed as separate items. Does this represent something beyond the standard issue equipment with the Red Cross pump specification? (The standard pumpset includes a silencer and exhaust pipe on all models.)

   Standard pumpset with silencer and exhaust pipe on all models is OK (no extras).

7. Are the items from the subkit “water testing equipment” for academic, industrial or medical use?

   This subkit will be used as field laboratory to analyse water before treatment to produce drinking water.

8. There is a new item in the Startup Chemicals subkit – the 200g slow dissolving chlorine tablets. The Aquatabs range does not include a tablet of this size. Can you give me any insight into the use of these tablets so that I can decide what we should offer?

   The description 200g is wrong – one tab for 200L was ment. Please quote for 50 packs CHLORINE, 1000mg (NaDCC 1670mg) multipurpose, 1 tab (WASDCHLA1000T). The first item in the following link: https://itemscatalogue.redcross.int/water-and-habitat--6/water-and-sanitation--27/water-treatment-products--122/chlorine-nadcc-multipurpose--WASDCHLA02.aspx