

Call for candidates contractors to collect and to transport bulk WEEE (waste electrical and electronic equipment) as from 1 July 2022 for bulk transport of containers and from 1 July 2022 for bulk transport of trailers with box pallets.

Recupel vzw/asbl organises and coordinates the implementation of the WEEE take-back obligation in Belgium since 1 July 2001. One of its missions is the collection and transportation of bulk WEEE in an environmentally friendly and cost-effective way.

Recupel calls for candidates who, on a contractual basis, can perform these services of bulk WEEE transport as from July 1 2023 for bulk transport of containers and from 1 July 2022 for bulk transport of trailers with box pallets.

Applications must be in the possession of Recupel at the latest on 15 October 2021 at 5 pm. They are submitted either by registered letter under closed envelope (the sealed envelope is put in a double envelope), or delivered to Recupel on 14 October 2021 or 15 October 2021, under closed and sealed envelope and against receipt.

The application is submitted in the following form : (1) a letter that states the identity of the candidate and the services included in the application, signed by the competent person(s), together with (2) a USB-stick holding dated and signed pdf-documents (see under point 5 of the attachment here after).

Procedure:

Recupel will assess the timely submitted applications and select candidates by 26 October 2021. Tender specifications will be sent to the selected candidates. They must submit their offer by 10 December 2021 at the latest.

Further to assessment of the offers and approval by the competent authorities, Recupel will enter into an agreement with the selected contractors by 30 June 2022 at the latest. Such contract will in principle enter into force on 1 July 2022 for transport of trailers with box pallets and 1 July 2023 for transport of containers. Only in case of unforeseeable circumstances, this schedule can be deviated from.

The contract to be entered into shall have a definite duration and will terminate as a matter of right on 30 June 2025 for transport of trailers with box pallets and 30 June 2028 for transport of containers.

Recupel is not a public authority and public procurement legislation is therefore not applicable.

The application can be drafted in Dutch, French or English. It shall include the necessary administrative information on the candidate (company name and commercial name, legal form, nationality, registered seat, company number).

Additional information concerning the assignment is available in the attachment.

Description of the assignment:

The assignment consists in collecting and transporting of homogeneous bulk WEEE fractions. The candidate specifies in its application which service(s) it involves (see the attachment to this call for further details):

- bulk transport of **containers (fractions BW/CF)**, and/or
- bulk transport of **trailers with met box pallets (fractions TVM/OTH)**

Bulk transport includes more in particular:

- the collection : to collect full loads at collection points, including the delivery of empty receptacles and the confirmation of collections carried out;
- the transport: to transport loads to the site of the processor indicated by Recupel;
- the delivery: to deliver loads to the processor indicated by Recupel, including the collection of empty receptacles and the confirmation of deliveries carried out;
- the management of receptacles.

The aforementioned confirmations are performed through the logistic application of Recupel at the latest the first working day following the actual performance of the collection. Recupel makes available a website which is easily accessible by pda/mobile-appliance.

The candidate provides the services across the entire Belgian territory (service area = Belgium).

The candidate can appeal to subcontractors for the implementation of the contract but it remains solely liable vis-à-vis Recupel. Third parties called upon by the contractor must comply with all conditions the candidate must itself comply with. All documents and declarations to be attached to the application of the contractor are also required concerning these third parties.

The contract will provide for obligations relating, among other, to registration, monitoring, reporting, control, communication of information etc. These obligations are stipulated in the tender specifications.

For information purposes only and without any commitment, the following are the number of transport orders carried out on behalf of Recupel during 2020; Recupel does not guarantee that these numbers will actually be reached in the upcoming contract period :

<i>Recipient</i>	BWR	GW	KV	OVE	TVM	Total
BOX				5971	1655	7626
CON per 2	104	2741	3480	1		6326
CON per 1	327	769	859			1955
Total	431	3510	4339	5972	1655	15907

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Annex to the Call for candidates of 30 September 2021 concerning bulk transport of WEEE

Preliminary comment: In case of discrepancies between this publication and the tender specifications, the latter will prevail. This attachment is not exhaustive and does not replace the tender specifications.

1 Bulk transport of WEEE in containers

Containers are closed 38 m³ containers. They are the property of Recupel.

The assignment consists of collecting full loads of WEEE at transfer stations or bulk collection points and transporting them to the processing companies. Full loads is understood as follows: one or two full containers of the CF fraction or of the BW fraction (or CF and BW exceptionally mixed ; or exceptionally OTH). The bulk collection points are located throughout Belgium. The transport of containers must be carried out in such a way that no dangerous substances are released. The transporter, in collaboration with Recupel, provides the appropriate registration and administration. The transport must be carried out within two working days as from the confirmation of the transport request by Recupel. The bulk transporter is also responsible for the transport of empty, defect and damaged receptacles between the transfer station and the processor. The transporter is also required to provide transparent reporting regarding the implementation of the contract and the irregularities encountered.

Candidates shall demonstrate that they have or will have the necessary transport capacity.

2 Bulk transport trailers (OTH/TVM in box pallets)

The assignment consists in collecting full loads of WEEE at the transfer stations or bulk collection points and to transport these to the processing companies. Full loads is understood as : 26 box pallets filled with the same fraction (either TVM, or OTH).

The bulk collection points are located throughout Belgium. The bulk transport will be performed in such a way that no dangerous substances are released. The transporter, in collaboration with Recupel, provides the appropriate registration and administration. The transport must be carried out within two days as from the confirmation of the transport request by Recupel. The bulk transporter is also responsible for the transportation of empty, defect and damaged receptacles between the finely meshed collector and the processor. The transporter provides transparent reporting regarding the implementation of the contract and the irregularities encountered.

Candidates shall demonstrate that they have the necessary transport capacity.

3 Technical conditions

The technical normative document Cenelec European Standard EN 50625 – Collection, Logistics and Treatment for WEEE applies to the services described in the specifications, and shall be complied with by the operator. The part of the standard applicable to the services at hand is the following : TS 50625-4 - Part 4 : Collection & logistics associated with WEEE.

All legal and regulatory conditions as well as those set forth by the applicable permits must be complied with.

4 Destination processing companies

These destinations may change during the contract time period.

5 Documents and statements to be provided by the candidates

The documents listed here under must be attached to the application. The numbering stipulated must be strictly complied with. Failing that, Recupel is entitled to consider the application as irregular and not to accept it.

These documents are part of the pdf-documents on the aforementioned USB-stick. The digital files are named as follows:

[*name candidate*]XX.pdf – whereby XX represents the number indicated below (e.g. Name01.pdf)

1. the annual accounts of the candidate for the last two accounting years.
2. a statement by the candidate that it is not in a state of bankruptcy, liquidation or composition and that it has not filed a bankruptcy declaration, and that it is not subject to a procedure provide by the Companies Continuity Act.
3. a document that proves that the candidate has fulfilled its payment obligations to the social security.
4. a statement of the candidate that it is accepts an audit of maximum 1 day to be performed at its own expense by independent experts. The purpose of this audit will be to inform Recupel of the technical and/or financial/economical capacity of the candidate. If the candidate wants to appeal to subcontractors, it must demonstrate that these also accepts such audit.
5. a description of the nature and the scope of the relevant activities/references of the candidate during the past three years and a report on the operational means available now and in the future to the candidate for the execution of the assignment.
6. a description of the activities for which the candidate submits an application (bulk transport containers and/or bulk transport trailers with box pallets).