

Tab A	Purchase of equipment, supplies, services, or materials unrelated to a public works project?
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	Quotes Allowed	Vendor List Allowed (Note A)	Competitive Bids Req'd
Cities and Towns			
First Class City Over 150,000	Purchasing policies are set by City Council.		
First Class City Under 150,000	Purchasing policies are set by City Council.		
Code City Over 20,000	Purchasing policies are set by City Council.		
Code City Under 20,000	< \$7,500	< \$15,000	> \$15,000
2nd Class City & Towns	< \$7,500	< \$15,000	> \$15,000
Counties			
Over 400 K w/ Purchasing Department	< \$5,000	< \$25,000	> \$25,000
Under 400 Kw/ Purchasing Department	< \$5,000	< \$25,000	> \$25,000
Under 400 K w/o Purchasing Department	< \$5,000	< \$25,000	> \$25,000
Water & Sewer Districts (Title 57 RCW)	< \$40,000	< \$50,000	> \$50,000
Fire Districts (Title 52 RCW)	< \$10,000	< \$50,000	> \$50,000
Port Districts (Title 53 RCW)	No bid limits.		
Public Utility Districts (Title 54 RCW)	See RCW 54.04.070 & 54.04.082		
Public Hospital Districts (Ch. 70.44 RCW)	N/A	< \$15,000	> \$15,000
Housing Authorities (Ch. 35.82 RCW)	??	??	??
School Districts (Title 28A.335.190 RCW)	< \$40,000	< \$75,000	> \$75,000
	Except for book purchases.		
Metropolitan Park Districts [Ch. 35.61 RCW]	< \$40,000	< \$50,000	> \$50,000

Note A: See RCW 39.04.190.

Public Works Contracting Limits

Agency	RCW Cite	Contracting Bid Limits	Day/Agency Labor Limits
First Class Cities	RCW 35.22.620	None (1)	\$45K, \$90K (2)
Code Cities, 2nd Class Cities and Towns	RCW 35.23.352	\$40K, \$65K	\$40K, \$65K
Counties Over 400K	RCW 36.32.235 & 250	\$40,000	\$45K, \$90K (4)
Counties Under 400K	RCW 36.32.240 & 250	\$40,000	None, (2) (4)
Water & Sewer Districts (Title 57 RCW)	RCW 57.08.050	\$20,000	\$20,000
Fire Districts (Title 52 RCW)	RCW 52.14.110	\$20,000	None
Port Districts (Title 53 RCW)	RCW 53.08.120	\$300,000	40K? (3)
Public Utility Districts (Title 54 RCW)	RCW 54.04.070	\$25,000	\$25,000
Public Hospital Districts (Ch. 70.44 RCW)	RCW 70.44.140	\$75,000	\$75,000
Housing Authorities (Ch. 35.82 RCW)	RCW 35.82.070	???	???
School Districts (RCW 28A.335.190)	RCW 28A.335.190	\$40,000	\$40,000
Metropolitan Park Districts [Ch. 35.61 RCW]	RCW 35.61.135	\$20,000	\$20,000

(See [RCW 35A.40.210](#))

Notes:

1) [See City Bidding Book, Page 7](#)

2) [See County Bidding Book, Page 6](#)

3) If cost is over \$40K, a port must determine if it is less expensive to contract. If contracting out is less expensive, the port district may contract out such project.

4) Also subject to county road force limitations for road funds under RCW 36.77.065