

Purchasing Bid Limits

FOR SELECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN WASHINGTON STATE

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TYPE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT	SMALL PURCHASE QUOTES ALLOWED	VENDOR LIST ALLOWED	COMPETITIVE BIDS REQUIRED	RCW REFERENCE
First class city	- - - -	Established by policy	- - - -	35.22.620
Code city over 20,000 pop.	- - - -	Established by policy	- - - -	35A.40.210
Code city under 20,000 pop.	≤ \$7,500	≤ \$15,000	>\$15,000	35A.40.210
Second class city	≤ \$7,500	≤ \$15,000	>\$15,000	35.23.352
Town	≤ \$7,500	≤ \$15,000	>\$15,000	35.23.352
County	≤ \$10,000	≤ \$50,000	> \$50,000	36.32.245
Fire protection district	≤ \$40,000	≤ \$75,000	> \$75,000	52.14.110
Housing authority	- - - -	Established by policy	- - - -	35.82
Metropolitan park district	≤ \$40,000	≤ \$50,000	> \$50,000	35.61.135
Port district	- - - -	Established by policy	- - - -	53.08.120
Public utility district	≤ \$30,000	≤ \$30,000 for unique item or ≤ \$ 120,000 per calendar month for the same kind of materials, equipment, and supplies	> \$30,000 for unique item or > \$120,000 per calendar month for the same kind of materials, equipment, and supplies	54.04.070 54.04.082
Public hospital district	Set by policy	≤ \$15,000	Set by policy	70.44.140
School district no bid limits for book purchases	≤ \$40,000	≤ \$75,000	> \$75,000	28A.335.190
Water/sewer district	≤ \$40,000	≤ \$50,000	>\$50,000	57.08.050