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PROMOTIONAL MERCHANDISE AND CLOTHING FRAMEWORK

**OFF3174 NW
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Promotional Merchandise and Clothing, Framework - OFF3174 NW

The agreement runs from the 1st May 2023 until the 30th April 2025 with the option to extend for two further one year periods until 30th May 2027. A full user guide is available at **HEContracts**.

This framework is split into 2 lots and is available to Members of NWUPC, NEUPC, APUC, HEPCW, LUPC, SUPC and CPC.

Scope of the framework:

The Framework has been divided into the following lots:

Lot 1 - Promotional Merchandise.

Lot 2 - Promotional Clothing.

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What are the framework benefits?

- More advantageous pricing based on economies of scale from aggregated spend, with no price increases considered prior to 30th April 2024.
- A wide array of services are available free of charge through the agreement.
- A detailed Specification of Requirements is provided covering relevant standards and marking requirements.
- The call-off Terms and Conditions have been established at framework.
- Reduced administrative effort and associated cost savings.
- Multiple methods of call-off including direct award, desktop exercise and full mini-competition including permitted variation of weightings.
- The ability to request bespoke/customised products.
- Access to products with recognised sustainability standards.
- Access to Real Living Wage accredited suppliers where required.
- Contract management initiatives around supply chain traceability for high-risk products, and packaging initiatives to support reductions in waste.
- The development of a longer-term relationship with suppliers which is mutually beneficial.
- The Framework allows for the flexibility to determine specific requirements at the call off stage.
- Framework Agreements support longer term business planning as they span a period of typically four years and allow some stability from market fluctuations.
- NWUPC and your Consortium will provide contract management support to you should you experience any issues with suppliers and will act in your best interests.

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Products available via this framework

The framework has been established for the provision of the following goods by lot:

Lot 1 - Promotional Merchandise

Promotional Merchandise includes, but is not limited to, the following scope; technology products, desk accessories, bags, hardware and safety products, key lights and torches, leisure and sports products, drinkware and ceramics, home and living products, key chains, badge holders and stress relievers, notebooks and portfolios, writing instruments, hats, sweatshirts, polo shirts, sweaters, hi vis vests, fleece jackets, cardigans, hoodies, varsity jackets, vest tops, padded jackets, bomber jackets, trousers, body warmers, shorts, ties, aprons, tunics, scarfs and shirts. This lot covers both sales to participating member institutions and direct student purchases through a webshop facility. It is not a mandatory requirement that awarded suppliers are able to offer a webshop facility.

This list is not exhaustive.

Further information on this agreement including supplier contact details can be found in a detailed User Guide which is available on **HEContracts**. For further questions or enquiries contact **procurement@nwupc.ac.uk** or call on **0161 234 8000**.

Lot 2 - Promotional Clothing

Promotional Clothing includes, but is not limited to, the following scope; hats, sweatshirts, polo shirts, sweaters, hi vis vests, fleece jackets, cardigans, hoodies, varsity jackets, vest tops, padded jackets, bomber jackets, trousers, body warmers, shorts, ties, aprons, tunics, scarfs and shirts and will also include direct sales to students.

This list is not exhaustive.