

The Restricted Procedure Stage 2 function allows buyers to send out a short invitation to tender electronically to a select list of suppliers, prequalified under the restricted procedure for both OJEU and below threshold notices. The tender process can be managed online with options to attach and send documents, activate online Q&A and receive completed tender submissions online using the tender submission post box.

Buyers would use this function following the receipt of expressions of interest or PQQs from a restricted procedure notice. It is used to invite shortlisted suppliers to the tendering phase and also allows for final tenders to be submitted via the electronic post box. This keeps the entire dual stage tendering process online to help simplify and reduce the work load for both buyers and suppliers, while maintaining fairness and integrity for all parties.

The Restricted Procedure Stage 2 notice is not published in the public domain. It is only visible within the Buyer's Stage 2 Control Panel and the interest list of those suppliers selected to tender. A Stage 2 notice is represented by the red and white symbol:

#### **Stage 2 Control Panel Page**

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To find out more about the Restricted Stage 2 function, view the Stage 2 Notice guide on the User Guides help page.

# My Stage 2 Notices

My Unpublished Stage 2 Notices My Published Stage 2 Notices

# **Buyer Stage 2 Notices**

**Buyer Unpublished** Stage 2 Notices **Buyer Published** Stage 2 Notices

# How to Create a Stage 2 Notice

A Stage 2 notice can only be created once the deadline for the first stage notice has passed

To create a Stage 2 notice you must access your Published Notice Workspace by going to the Buyers > Buyer

Control Panel > Published Notices, click on the original Stage 1 notice title in your published notice list to
generate the Notice Status page.

A new box will appear on the Notice Status page entitled "Restricted Procedure Stage 2" with the option to "Continue".



## **Published Stage 1 Notice Status Page**

## **Notice Status**

# Restricted Procedure Stage 2

This Restricted Procedure notice has passed the deadline date for expressions of interest and the second stage of the Restricted Procedure process is now available.

Click Continue to create and send invitations to tender to short listed candidates.



# Notice Wizard Details

Document ID: 192450 View the original text

Title: Tender for the supply of tools

Type of Document: OJEU Notice
Type of Notice: Contract Notice
Services/Supplies: Supply Contract
Procedure Type: Restricted Procedure

Is Accelerated: No

Document Source: OJEU Wizard
Status: Dispatched

Created: 10/12/2013 1:33 PM by Administrator Administrator
Last Amended: 10/12/2013 1:36 PM by Administrator Administrator

Released: 10/12/2013 1:37 PM



Award

By clicking "Continue" you will be taken to the outset of Stage 2 Notice creation where you can work through each question by using the "Next" button or by using the drop down menu "Jump To".

On clicking "Continue" the notice is saved to your Unpublished Stage 2 Notice workspace where you can edit and store the Stage 2 notice in the same fashion as standard notices. The answer to each question is stored when the "Next" or "Save" buttons are clicked and you can stop at any point during the process and return later to complete all of the questions.

Note: You can only create one Stage 2 Notice per Contract Notice. Once you have created a Stage 2 Notice from a Contract Notice the "Continue" option will disappear. You can only create a new Stage 2 Notice by deleting an existing unpublished Stage 2 notice or cancelling a distributed one.



## Outset of Stage 2 Notice Creation - Edit Restricted Stage 2 Notice page

# Edit Restricted Stage 2 Notice

Please update the notice details.

		Go to question:	Stage 2 - Purchasing organisation details	~	Go
Stage 2 Details				Next	
Descriptive title:	5 bespoke chairs				
Type of Notice:	Stage 2 V		_	Cancel	
Nature of Notice:	Supply Contract 🗸				

The Stage 2 notice is made up of the following Questions:

# **Buyer details**

These are copied over from the original notice.

#### **Contract Title**

This is copied over from the original notice.

#### **Description of the Contract Requirements**

This is copied over from the original notice.

#### **Total Quantity or Scope**

Insert details of the quantity or scope of the contract.

#### **Deadline for submission of Tenders**

The deadline for completed tenders to be returned. If using the electronic post box this will be the deadline the post box closes.

#### **Additional Information**

A free text box for any supplementary information.

## **Additional Options**

Here you must select whether you want to use the electronic post box for receipt of tenders. You can also use the Questions and Answers and Additional Documents function.

#### **Administrator Access**

Select the members of the buying organisation who require the ability to edit and add further information to the notice once it has been distributed.

# **Additional Documents (if option selected)**

Upload all documents to be distributed to the suppliers. There is no individual file size limit but the total file size of all documents should not exceed 100Mb.

#### **Questions and Answers (if option selected)**

Select the main administrative contact who will be responsible for receiving and responding to questions.

# **Tender Postbox Opener (if option selected)**



Select the user(s) to open the tender post box and download the tender responses. Users must have "Opener" access in order to be selected here. For further information see the Post Box user guide.

Once you have answered all the relevant questions Stage 2 Notice creation is complete and you have the option to preview it, distribute it or return to your notice workspace.

# How to Distribute a Stage 2 Notice

When you are ready to distribute the Stage 2 notice you must click the "Distribute the Notice" link to start the distribution process:

# **Restricted Procedure Stage 2 Creation Complete page**

# Restricted Procedure Stage 2 Creation Completed

Congratulations, you have completed the data entry for the following Restricted Procedure Stage 2:

192432 - Tender for the supply of tools

Note: The Restricted Procedure Stage 2 will not be published until you release it for distribution.

You can now carry out the following actions:

Preview the notice.

Distribute the notice.

Return to your notice list and publish later.

Alternatively, if you are returning to the Stage 2 Notice from your Unpublished Stage 2 Notices list in your Stage 2 Control Panel, click on the title of the Stage 2 Notice and then the "Publish" button.

# My Unpublished Stage 2 Notice Status Page

# My Unpublished Stage 2 Notices

Stage 2 Control Panel > My Unpublished Stage 2 Notices

Detailed below is a list of your Stage 2 Notices awaiting publication. Click a notice title to view further information.





# Stage 2 Notice Status page – Unpublished Notice List Stage 2 Notice Status

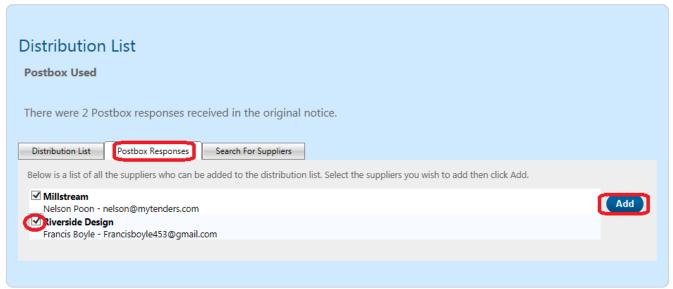
# Pre-Publication Details



You will then be directed to the Stage 2 Distribution Page where you will select the suppliers that you want to invite to tender.

If you have used the electronic post box for the first stage notice then a list of all suppliers who submitted a response will be presented to you in the "Postbox Responses" tab, in the "Distribution List" box.

Stage 2 Details page Distribution List - Post Box Responses Tab

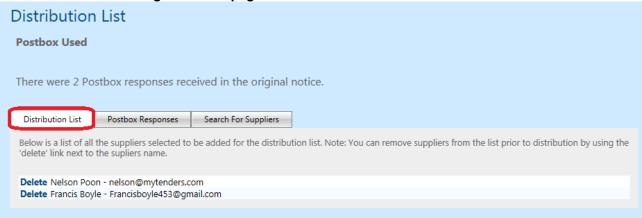


To add suppliers you wish to invite to tender to the distribution list you must tick the box to the left hand side of the supplier name and click "Add". You can add multiple suppliers at one time.

Each supplier you add is listed in the distribution list tab. If you wish to remove someone from the distribution list you can click "delete" next to their name.

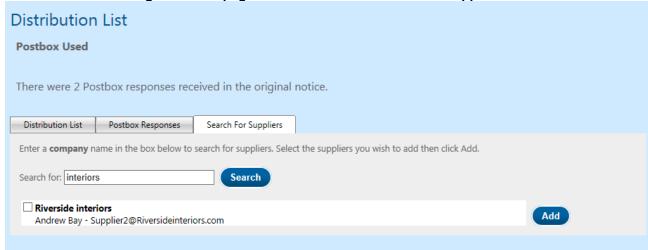


Stage 2 Details page Distribution List - Distribution List Tab



If there are suppliers you wish to add who did not submit to the electronic post box in the first stage notice you can search for them using the "Search For Suppliers" tab. Type the company name into the "Search for" field and click "Search".

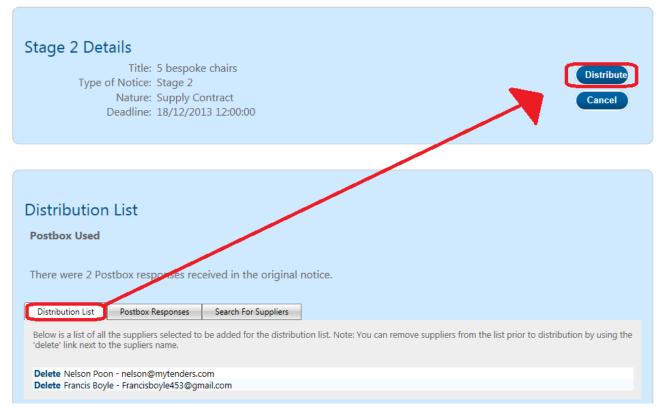
Stage 2 Details page Distribution List - Search for Suppliers Tab



Once you are happy with the distribution list, click "Distribute" in the "Stage 2 Details" box.



## Stage 2 Details page Stage 2 Notice - Distribute Restricted Procedure Stage 2



Clicking "Distribute" will send an e-mail to all suppliers on the list informing them of the Invitation to Tender and asking them to log into the site to accept or decline the invitation. The Stage 2 notice will automatically be added to the selected supplier's Interest List.

Note: The e-mail address in the "from" field of this e-mail is marked as your own therefore any direct responses to the e-mail will be sent to your registered e-mail address. This may include "Out of Office" replies or "Undeliverable email" messages which will notify you the supplier may not have received the e-mail. If you receive notification of this nature please follow this up with the supplier and, if necessary, the Support Desk.

# Administering a Distributed Stage 2 Notice

Once distributed, the Stage 2 notice will be added to your Published Stage 2 Notice Workspace from where the Administrators selected during notice creation can access and administer it.

## My Published Stage 2 Notice Status Page

# My Published Stage 2 Notices

Stage 2 Control Panel > My Published Stage 2 Notices

Detailed below is a list of your published Stage 2 Notices. Click a notice title to view further information.



As with a standard notice you can:



- Change the deadline
- Cancel the notice
- Add additional information
- Add additional documents
- Respond to Questions and Answers
- Access the electronic post box

All updates made to the notice will be communicated to the distribution list by e-mail.

You can also add suppliers to the distribution list after you have dispatched the notice.

## Published Stage 2 Workspace - Stage 2 Notice Status View

## **Published Details**

Notice ID: DEC081496

Action: View Published Stage 2 notice

**Change Stage 2 Deadline** 

Cancel Stage 2

Title: 5 bespoke chairs

Published: 11/12/2013 12:18 PM by Administrator Administrator

Contract Notice Deadline: 18/12/2013 at 12:00:00

Archived Date: -Visible On Site: **No** 

Distribution List: 2 supplier(s) currently in distribution list

**View Distribution List** 

View access to distribution list Add supplier to distribution list

# Additional Notice Options

Listed below are the additional options available for this notice.

Additional Information: **0 update(s)**Additional Documents: **0 document(s)**Question and Answers: **0 question(s)** 

View/Change List of Additional Information View/Change Additional Document List

View Questions and Answers

View/Change Main contact/deadline

Postbox: 0 response(s) View Submission Postbox

# **View Stage 2 Distribution List**

By clicking on "View Distribution List" you can see a list of suppliers you have invited to tender. You will also see whether they have accepted or declined the invitation to tender. In the example below one supplier has confirmed they will submit a bid, one has declined and four have not responded. You may wish to contact the suppliers who have yet to respond to ensure they have received the e-mail.



# Published Stage 2 Notice – Suppliers on Distribution List page Restricted Procedure Stage 2 Supplier Responses

Below is a list of the suppliers who are on the distribution list for the second stage of Restricted Procedure 192433.

The list shows each supplier, if the buyer has recorded a response and the status of the supplier confirmation.

Please click 'Supplier' Name to add a manual response for a particular supplier.

Return to notice status

# Suppliers on Distribution List

Id	Supplier	Company	Manual Bid	Confirmation	Invited On	Invited By
691	Kim Postlethwaite	Millstream	No	No Response	11/12/2013 12:22	Administrator Administrator
692	Lem Speno	Millstream	No	No Response	11/12/2013 12:22	Administrator Administrator
690	Blair Williamson	MillStream Associates	No	Confirmed	11/12/2013 12:22	Administrator Administrator
689	Francis Boyle	Riverside Design	No	No Response	11/12/2013 12:18	Administrator Administrator
669	Nelson Poon	Millstream	No	Declined	11/12/2013 12:18	Administrator Administrator

# **Recording a Manual Response**

If responses are not being received in the electronic post box you may wish to record a manual submission by clicking on the relevant supplier name and adding the date and time their response was received, along with any additional comments.

For guidance on how to use the electronic post box please refer to the relevant user guide.