

# CAT11071 TU

Convenience Retail 2024

Contracting Authority TUCO

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## Key Information

Framework Start Date 01/07/2024

Current End Date 30/06/2026

## Framework Suppliers

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Adamsons Drinks Ltd  
BFS Group Limited T/A Bidvest 3663  
Batleys Food Service Ltd  
Blakemore Food Service  
Brakes Bros  
Chapple & Jenkins  
Dunsters Farm Ltd  
Evapo  
Handmade Speciality Products Ltd  
Harlech Foodservice  
Premcrest  
WDS Group

## Scope of Requirements

The purpose of this framework agreement is to deliver an efficient and compliant route to market for participating public bodies, by minimising the resource and providing value for money.

This framework agreement was procured via the open tendering process and advertised on Find a Tender Service (FTS) – reference 2024/S 000-007371

The primary scope of commodities covered within the agreement is:

- Lot 1 Confectionery, snacks and soft drinks
- Lot 2 Cakes (ambient, chilled, fresh and frozen)
- Lot 3 Convenience Retail Non-Food
- Lot 4 Cigarettes, Tobacco, E-Cigarettes and associated products
- Lot 5 One Stop Shop (incl. all above with the inclusion of grocery items and alcohol)

## Accessibility

Members of the following organisations can access this framework agreement:

Advance Procurement for Universities and Colleges (APUC)  
Higher Education Purchasing Consortium Wales (HEPCW)  
London Universities Purchasing Consortium (LUPC)  
North Western Universities Purchasing Consortium (NWUPC)  
North Eastern Universities Purchasing Consortium (NEUPC)  
Southern Universities Purchasing Consortium (SUPC)  
TUCO Ltd (TUCO)

## Call Off Method

Call-off from this framework agreement is by means of [direct award / further-competition / combination ranked and further-competition]

Institutions will determine the correct lot to use when placing a call-off contract from the framework agreement by assessing their requirement against the available lots.

1. Direct award without re-opening competition.
2. Mixture of direct award and mini-competition (New).
3. Mini-competitions.

For full details, please see Buyer's Guide -

<https://www.tuco.ac.uk/procurement/frameworks/convenience-retail-2024>

## Responsible Procurement

The NETpositive Supplier Engagement Tool will be used as part of contract management.

At Selection Suppliers were assessed for:

- Compliance with the requirements of the Modern Slavery Act 2015
- Payment of the Real Living Wage

## Added Value

There are several benefits to using this framework:

- It is free to use for customers.
- Eliminates the need for organisations to individually undertake their own full procurement exercise, which saves time and resources.
- Simplifies the process and removes the cost to public sector bodies in procuring the services and providers.
- Legally compliant framework agreement developed within the UK public procurement regulations.
- Consistent terms & conditions of contract.
- Opportunity for further savings through further competition.
- TUCO regularly audit the nominated suppliers to assist in the management and reduction of food safety risks.

General benefits of TUCO membership:

- Delivering annual savings to members in excess of £15million
- £146million+ annual spend
- Giving members access to almost 300 quality-assured suppliers
- 21 EU-compliant framework agreements
- Full time CIPS qualified team dedicated to cutting costs
- No barriers to entry – 80% of TUCO suppliers are SMEs or micro enterprises
- Award-winning training academy
- In-depth, insightful market intelligence through TUCO research
- Sharing best-practice through member case studies
- Access to added-value benefits such as:
  - TUCO Online: a revolutionary web-based eProcurement system that provides a dynamic online purchasing portal
  - Further Competitions: a personalised procurement service that is FREE to members - we work with your staff to offer as much or as little support as they need, freeing them up to focus on other areas.

For further information, please refer to the [Buyers Guide](#)

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