

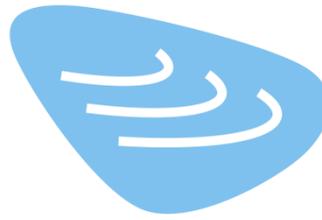


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Now in its fourth iteration, the Cirrus Consortium Materials Framework provides quick, flexible and PCR compliant access to the full range of goods and services associated with building repairs & maintenance and refurbishment

## About Us

The Cirrus Consortium is a group of contracting authorities across England, Scotland and Wales who have joined together to establish frameworks for a range of products and services that comply with the Public Contracts Regulations (PCR).

The Cirrus Consortium Materials Framework builds on the success of the three previous frameworks. The framework is designed to cover the full range of building materials and support the service delivery models that may be required by Consortium members including managed stores, direct delivery and branch supply.

## Framework Benefits

- A choice of 19 leading suppliers
- Available to all contracting authorities across England, Scotland and Wales
- Free to use for buying organisations, with no fees charged for Consortium membership or using the framework
- Keep the flexibility and ownership of managing the contract and specification as you choose
- Conduct a shorter procurement process - the framework already fully complies with the necessary legislation
- All suppliers have been fully assessed for their experience, technical and professional ability

## Contact Us

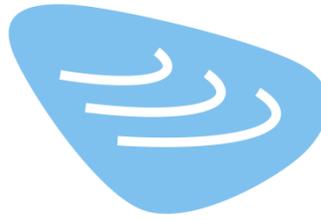
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## Materials and Services Available to Buying Organisations

There are 5 lots covering the following categories of materials and services:

- Lot 1:** General building materials, including paint and tools
- Lot 2:** Plumbing and heating materials, including gas spares and renewables
- Lot 3:** Electrical materials
- Lot 4:** Kitchen materials
- Lot 5:** Managed stores

Building materials that can be purchased under the framework include, but are not limited to:

General building materials | [Painting and decorating materials](#) | Kitchens | [Ironmongery](#) | Electrical materials | [Roofing materials](#) | Plumbing and heating materials | [Tool and plant hire](#) | [Timber, wood and fencing](#) | Aids and adaptation items | Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) | [Workwear](#) | Renewable technologies | [Highway / civil construction and maintenance materials](#)

### Framework Key Points

**OJEU Contract Notice Reference Number:**

2016/S 044-072041

**OJEU Contract Award Notice Reference Number:**

2016/S 089-156192

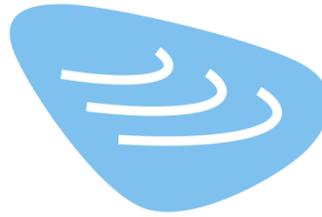
**Framework Duration:**

May 2016 to May 2020



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## Frequently Asked Questions

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### What is the Cirrus Consortium?

The Cirrus Consortium is a group of contracting authorities across England, Scotland and Wales who have joined together to establish frameworks for a range of products and services that comply with the Public Contracts Regulations (PCR). Current members include Registered Providers of Social Housing, Local Authorities, ALMOs and NHS Trusts.

Every contracting authority that uses a Cirrus framework agreement qualifies for membership to the Consortium. The Consortium is lead directly by member organisations and managed by Cirrus Purchasing Ltd.

### Who is Cirrus Purchasing?

Cirrus Purchasing Ltd is a specialist procurement consultancy supporting the social housing, public and private sectors.

In addition to managing the framework on behalf of Consortium members, Cirrus provides a range of procurement services to clients including strategic procurement support, value improvement projects, outsourced procurement teams, advice and training on current procurement legislation and hands-on supply chain management support.

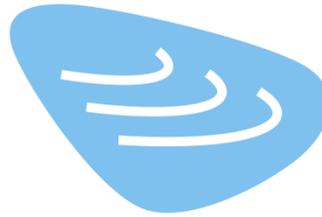


### What are the fees for using the framework?

There are no upfront or ongoing costs associated with membership of the Cirrus Consortium.

The Cirrus Consortium Materials Framework is free to use for Consortium members.

Framework suppliers are required to make payment to Cirrus Purchasing Ltd of 0.5% of invoiced turnover from call-off contracts issued via the framework to cover framework management costs.



## How do contracting authorities use the framework?

### 1. Select your supplier(s)



### 2. Register to use the framework



### 3. Begin trading

Selection of a supplier can either be undertaken on a direct award basis, or by reopening competition between framework suppliers through the use of a mini-competition. Mini-competitions can either be handled directly by the Consortium member or with support from Cirrus Purchasing if required.

Register your details and notify us that you are trading via the Cirrus Consortium Materials Framework by completing the online registration form:

[www.cirruspurchasing.co.uk/Regform2](http://www.cirruspurchasing.co.uk/Regform2)

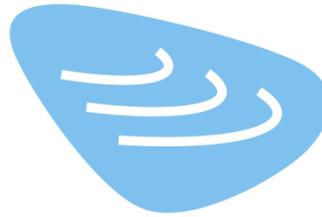
You will need the account number and the date you wish to start trading under the framework for each supplier you intend to use. Completing this form automatically gives you free membership to the Cirrus Consortium as well as an audit trail to prove you trade under a PCR compliant framework.

## Is there a specific call-off contract I have to use?

The Cirrus Consortium Materials Framework was designed to provide flexibility for Consortium members in managing their contract to meet the needs of the organisation.

There is no specific contract that must be used when trading under the Materials Framework. Call-off contracts can be based on any of the following forms of contract:

- A form of contract based on the standard terms and conditions of the supplier, subject to any changes mutually agreed between the Consortium member and the supplier;
- A bespoke form of contract created by or on behalf of the Consortium member. The final version subject to any changes mutually agreed between the Consortium member and the successful supplier;
- A form of contract based on the template contract provided within the framework agreement, more precisely formulated by mutual agreement between the Consortium member and the supplier to accommodate the specific nature of the call-off contract



## I am already registered to use another Cirrus Consortium framework. Do I also have to register to use the Cirrus Materials Framework?

Yes, contracting authorities must complete the Cirrus Consortium Materials Framework registration form even if they already trade under another Cirrus framework agreement.

This helps provide an audit trail to show you are trading under a framework that complies with the Public Contracts Regulations for the provision of your building materials. This also allows Cirrus to identify which Consortium members utilise each framework.

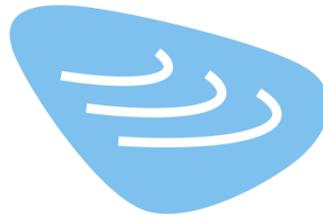


## What information does the Cirrus Consortium require during trading?

The trading and invoicing relationship will be directly between the relevant framework supplier(s) and your organisation. Neither Cirrus Purchasing nor other Consortium members require or request sight of your contract terms and/or agreed pricing with the framework supplier(s) you select.

The only information we require from Consortium members is confirmation that they are trading via the framework. This includes providing the trading start date and account number(s) when you complete the framework registration form.

For calculating the rebate value payable from the suppliers to Cirrus, we request a quarterly value of trade from the framework suppliers for each Consortium member they are trading with (which we may cross-reference with you from time-to-time).



## What additional support is available from Cirrus Purchasing?

Cirrus Purchasing can provide the following consultancy services to support contracting authorities with their materials supply arrangements. This is entirely optional and we are happy to develop a specific proposal to meet your procurement requirements.

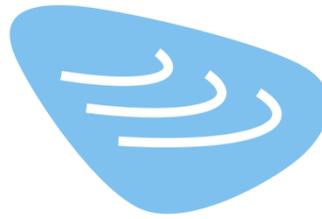
- **Materials supply chain options appraisal:** A value for money review of your current materials supply chain arrangements, including cost benchmarking and efficiency, assessment of various models available and their individual strengths and weaknesses and an overall recommendation on the most appropriate option to meet your needs.
- **Materials supply chain mini-competitions and tenders:** Cirrus can deliver the procurement process on your behalf, from start to completion, ensuring best procurement practice and PCR compliance.
- **Materials purchasing cost benchmarking:** Understand how your materials costs compare against the wider market and assess the value for money achieved. This can be conducted at regular milestones throughout your materials supply chain contract or as part of price negotiation exercises.
- **Materials contract support:** Support throughout your contract including expenditure profile reviews to ensure materials purchases are sufficiently represented in your core range, product standardisation, value engineering and assistance with contract negotiation.
- **Stores improvement projects:** Hands-on support to raise the performance standards of your stores function including reprofiling of stock, procurement compliance, cost saving efficiencies and KPI monitoring.

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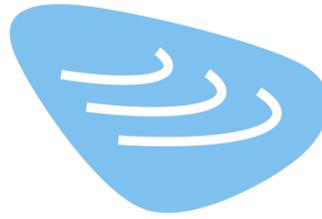
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## Which suppliers cover the materials I require?

### The Cirrus Consortium Materials Framework - Lots

	Lot 1: General building materials	Lot 2: Plumbing and heating materials	Lot 3: Electrical materials	Lot 4: Kitchen materials	Lot 5: Managed Stores
B&Q	•	•	•	•	
Bradfords	•	•			
CEF			•		
Edmundson			•		
Eyre & Elliston			•		
Jewson	•	•	•	•	•
Magnet Trade				•	
Moores				•	
PHC Parts		•			
Premiere				•	
PTS		•			
Rexel			•		
Richmond				•	
Ridgeons	•	•		•	
Rixonway				•	
Symphony				•	
Travis Perkins	•	•	•	•	•
Wolseley	•	•	•	•	•
YESSS			•		



## Which suppliers cover my area?

### The Cirrus Consortium Materials Framework Regional Branch Coverage and Distribution Networks

	Scotland	Wales	North East	North West	Midlands	South East (Excl. M25)	South West	Inside M25 orbital
B&Q	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Bradfords							•	
CEF	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Edmundson	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Eyre & Elliston			•	•	•	•	•	•
Jewson	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Magnet Trade	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Moores	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
PHC Parts	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Premiere		•	•	•	•	•	•	•
PTS	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Rexel	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Richmond		•	•	•	•		•	
Ridgeons						•		
Rixonway	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Symphony	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Travis Perkins	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Wolseley	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
YESSS	•		•	•	•	•	•	•

#### Key

Branch Coverage & Distribution Network

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Distribution Network Only

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