



# Procurement Act 2023 - a video guide for suppliers



How to register your organisation and first administrator on Find a Tender in 3 easy steps

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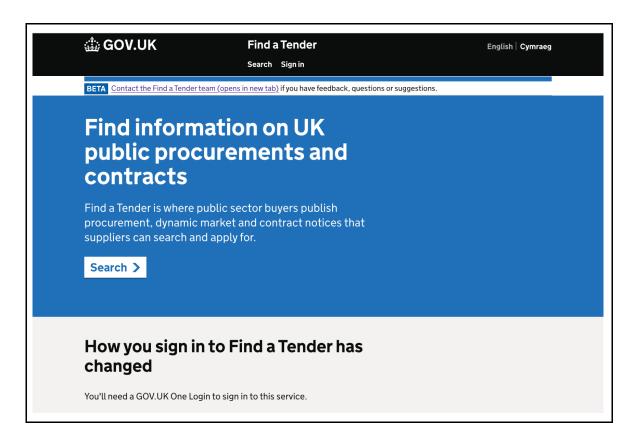
This guidance relates to registering as a supplier on the new, enhanced Find a Tender Service.

### What is the Central Digital Platform?

Central Digital Platform is an online portal which will make it easier for suppliers to find and bid for contracts, and for buyers to meet their transparency commitments under the Procurement Act 2023.

The Central Digital Platform has been designed to:

- Feature a simple registration and identification for both suppliers and buyers.
- Store suppliers' core business details that can be used for multiple bids.
- Enable easy management and updating of core information quickly, and shared easily between suppliers, eSenders and buyers.
- Make public procurement opportunities visible making it easier to search at no cost and set up alerts for tenders of interest for suppliers.
- Allow for procurement noticing throughout the procurement lifecycle.
- Capture procurement data and eventually allow creation of dashboards to analyse that data.



→ <a href="https://www.gov.uk/find-tender">https://www.gov.uk/find-tender</a>

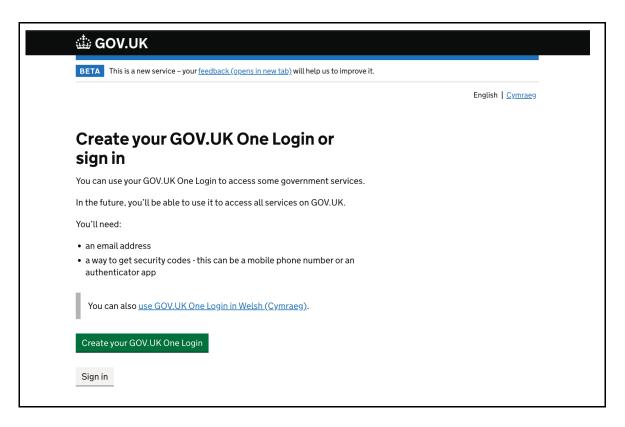
Additional video guidance is available detailing these steps.

You should use this guide when registering your organisation on the service for the first time. If you need help with completing supplier information, please watch the <u>walkthrough video</u> or read the supporting user guide and follow the instructions provided.

## **Step 1: Registration**

Every supplier should agree who its first person is to set up the organisation, and do the initial set up, and add and approve other users. The Administrator will also enter and amend all of the details about the organisation.

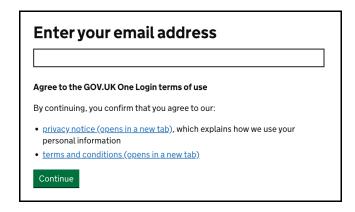
To get started, visit our user registration pageant complete the following information to create an account:



If you already have a GOV.UK One Login account, select 'Sign in' or, if you do not have an account, follow the steps below to register.

#### Register for GOV.UK One Login

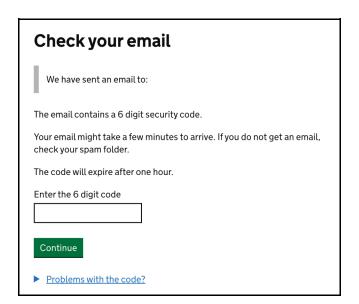
To register for a GOV.UK One Login account, select 'Create your Gov.UK One Login' which will load the following page:



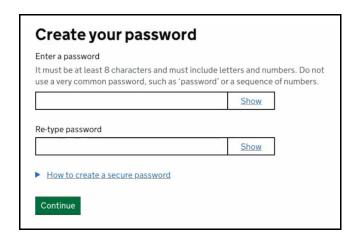
Enter your individual work email address here, then view and agree to the terms of use, and

privacy policy.

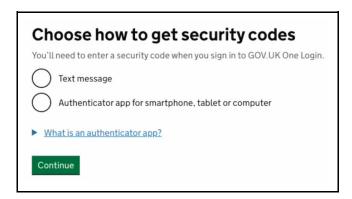
A code will be sent to your email address. Once you receive the 6 digit security code, enter when prompted on the next screen. Your email might take a few minutes to arrive and you may need to check your spam folder.



You will then be asked to choose a password.



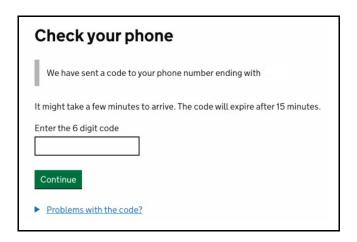
Next, you will now have to choose how to receive security codes. You can choose from receiving a text message or by an authentication app.



If you selected the text message option, an SMS text message will be sent from GOVUK to your registered mobile phone number with a 6-digit verification code. The code may take a

few minutes to arrive and will expire after 15 minutes.

You should enter this code on the next page and continue.



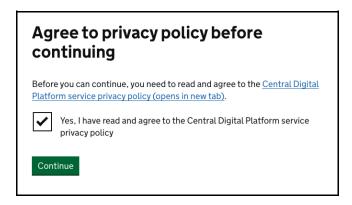
You will have now created a GOV.UK One Login.



#### **Complete Central Digital Platform Registration**

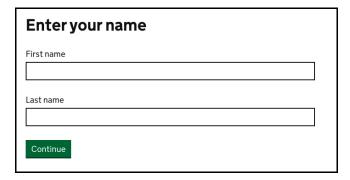
Once you have created your GOV.UK One Login, you will then proceed to finalise your registration for the Central Digital Platform.

You should now read and agree to the Central Digital Platform service privacy policy.



You will then be asked to enter your first

and last name.



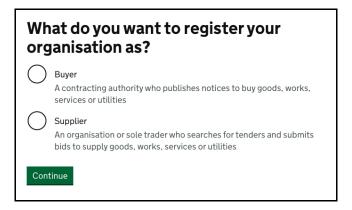
Once you select continue, the following page will load displaying your account details and the option to register an organisation.

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Sign in de	etails
Email addre	ess:
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My organ	isations
Register an	organisation if you are:
	ting authority who publishes notices to buy goods, works, or utilities
	sation or sole trader who searches for tenders and submits bids to loods, works, services or utilities
Register a	n organisation
After you'v	e registered
If you need t	to you can:
-	s the other role, if you are both a buyer and supplier organisations

#### **Register an Organisation**

You will need to have to hand the organisation's Companies House number or an equivalent, like a Charity Commission number, and the registered address.

You will first need to select 'Register an organisation' from the 'My account' page as shown above. You will then be asked whether you wish to register as a Buyer or Supplier - select Supplier.



You will now be asked if your organisation has a Companies House number. If you do, you will be prompted to enter one.

Does your organisation have a Companies House number?
You can <u>find your company number on Companies House (opens in a new tab)</u> . It is an 8 digit or 2 letter and 6 digit number. For example, 12345678 or SC123456.
Yes
○ No
Continue

If you do not have a Companies House number, select 'No' and you will be prompted with the below alternative options. If none apply, you will be generated a unique identifier.



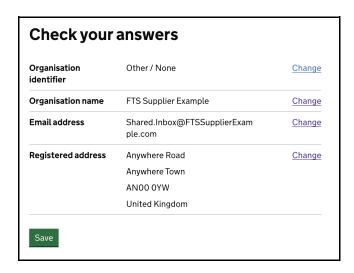
You will now check or enter your organisation's registered name. If you previously entered a Companies House number, this will be automatically populated from Companies House.



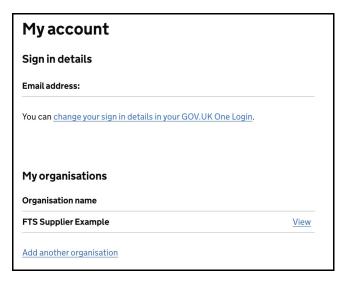
Next, check or enter your organisation's registered address. As before, this will be automatically populated if you entered a Companies House number.



The next screen will allow you to check your answers, and make any necessary changes, before proceeding to select 'save' and completing the registration of your organisation.



Selecting 'Save' will load the following page to display your registered organisation.



To see the details of the

organisation and complete supplier information, select 'View'.

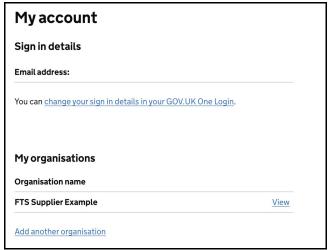
Further organisations can be added. For example, you might be a shareholding director in several businesses, and wish to register all of those businesses then set up further administrators and users for each.

# Step 2: Enter your details

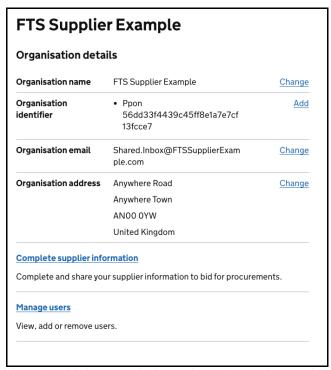
Now you will be required to enter the organisation's supplier information. Having all the required information to hand will speed up the process. The administrator will be asked to input or upload:

- Basic Information,
- Connected Persons,
- Qualifications,
- Trade Assurances,
- Exclusions, and
- Financial Information.

Once you have the required information to hand, navigate to the organisation page by selecting 'view' next to your chosen organisation.

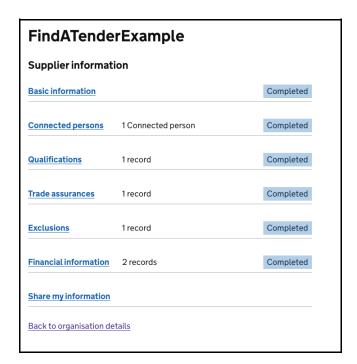


This will load the following page displaying the details of your organisation. To complete your supplier information, select 'Complete Supplier Information'.



You should then work through each section and enter the information required. There are very simple dropdowns for each section and hint text to show what is needed.

# FTS Supplier Example



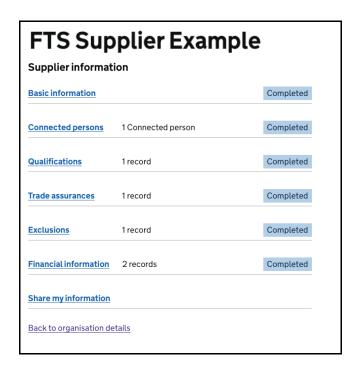
If you need a more detailed walkthrough of how to enter supplier information, please watch the <u>walkthrough video</u> 'A guide for suppliers: Detailed walkthrough How an administrator completes and updates supplier info' or read the associated user guide and follow the instructions provided.

# **Step 3: Declare and Share**

Once supplier information has been completed, it is ready for checking and declaring that it is

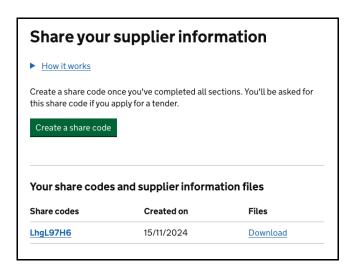
accurate. To share the information as part of the bid, there are two methods. It could be through a share code, a number that is entered in the contracting authority's tendering portal, or, by downloading the information and sharing by email or uploading as an attachment.

Once the Supplier Information has been completed, select 'Share my information' to begin the information sharing process.



The following page will load where you can find out more about how sharing supplier information works or progress to sharing information by selecting 'Create a share code'.

From this page you will be able to see any previously generated share codes and the date they were created on. If your supplier information changes, you can update it and create a new share code and file to share the new information.



To progress, you must read the declaration and select the box to confirm that you understand and agree to the declaration.

# Peclaration I am authorised to make this declaration on behalf of the supplier and declare that to the best of my knowledge the answers submitted and information contained is correct and accurate at the time of declaration. I declare that, upon request from the Contracting Authority and without delay I will provide the certificates or documentary evidence referred to in this information. I understand that the information is required as per the regulations of the Procurement Act 2023 and may be used in the selection process to assess my suitability to participate further in this procurement. I understand that a contracting authority with whom this information is shared may request further clarity or detail on information provided in this submission.

Next, you will be prompted to enter your name.

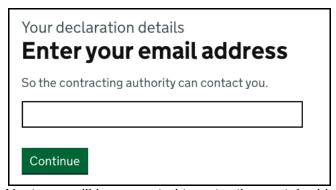
Your declaration details  Enter your name
Your name as the person authorised to declare the supplier information.
Continue

Then, enter your job title.

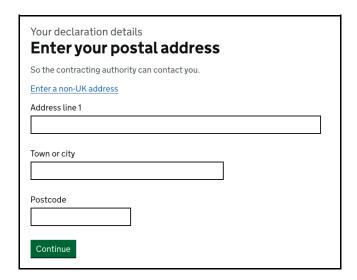
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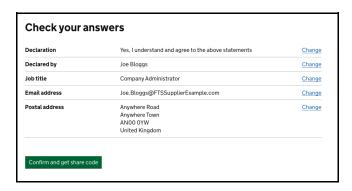
You'll then be asked to enter your work email address.



Next, you will be prompted to enter the postal address of your organisation.



You will then be prompted to check your answers and make changes as necessary. You should then select 'Confirm and get share code'.



The following screen will load which displays your share code. You can also download your supplier information file for onward sharing.



You are now bid ready.