



Changes to the Commonwealth Procurement Rules (CPRs) taking effect on 1 July 2022

CPR Change	General Comment
Foreword	New foreword attributed to the Minister for Finance.
Achieving value for money (4.5 e)	Amended text to include climate change impacts in relevant financial and non-financial considerations of value for money.
Achieving value for money (4.5 e. ii)	Amended text to reflect the new Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water.
Small and Medium Enterprises (5.6)	Amended text to increase the Australian Government's commitment to non-corporate Commonwealth entities sourcing 20 per cent of procurement by value from SMEs.
Procurement from standing offers (9.14)	New text advising officials to approach multiple potential suppliers from a standing offer, to maximise competition.
Previous changes to the Commonwealth Procurement Rules (CPRs) taking effect on 1 July 2022	
Figure 1: Legislation and Policy	Inclusion of <i>Government Procurement (Judicial Review) Act 2018</i> under Legislation heading and inclusion of new text 'free trade agreements and other commitments' under International obligations heading within Legislative and policy environment.
Compliance with the two divisions of the CPRs (3.8)	Amended text to provide clarification that the CPRs apply to the administrative services of the Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation that relate to the superannuation schemes it administers.
Procurement-connected policies (4.9)	Amended text stipulates that non-corporate Commonwealth entities and prescribed Commonwealth corporate entities must comply with procurement-connected policies where the policy indicates that it is applicable to the procurement process and to the entity.

Small and Medium Enterprises (5.5 d)	Updated sub-paragraph requiring procuring officials to consider the disaggregation of large projects into smaller packages that maximise competition where appropriate.
Small and Medium Enterprises (5.8)	Amended text reflecting the removal of the \$1 million threshold in the <i>Supplier Pay On-Time or Pay Interest Policy</i> – Resource Management Guide (RMG 417).
Procurement risk (8.4)	New text to provide that suppliers do not need to take out insurance until a contract is to be awarded and to limit insurance imposts in contracts and embed the principle of risk sharing by better reflecting the actual risk in contractual liability.
Appendix A: Exemption 17	Amended text allowing the Department of Defence to directly engage an SME for procurements valued up to \$500,000 (note: the requirements under the <i>Indigenous Procurement Policy</i> must first be satisfied before this exemption is applied).