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Guidance

Buy school furniture

Use this 'framework' to buy loose and fitted school furniture and bleacher seating from Department for Education (DfE) approved suppliers and have it delivered and installed.

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Who can buy furniture

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The furniture you can buy

The school furniture you can buy has been grouped into lots. Buy from one or more lots depending on what you need.

Lot 1 - loose furniture:

- primary and secondary school pupils' chairs, stools and tables
- teachers' chairs and tables
- storage units
- pedestal units
- science tables
- tray units
- double-sided bookcases

Lot 2 - fitted furniture:

- worktops
- under bench tray units (with or without doors)
- wall cupboards

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- wall shelving
- pedestal units (wet and dry)
- L-shaped teachers' service desks
- teachers' service bollards
- 4 door lockers

Lot 3 - bleacher furniture:

- bleachers to seat 240 with upholstered seat and back
- upholstered benching with back

When the framework expires

March 2024.

The framework ID

The ID for this framework is: 2019-041978

How to buy school furniture

There are 2 ways you can buy furniture.

1. Buy direct from suppliers for orders below £2,000

For orders below £2,000, contact the supplier directly through their website and mention this framework.

Supplier website	Lot 1	Lot 2	Lot 3
Complete Business Solutions	Yes	Yes	No
<u>Morleys</u>	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pinnacle Furniture	Yes	Yes	No
<u>Apteriors</u>	Yes	Yes	No
	Yes	Yes	Yes

Southerns Broadstock

Yes Yes Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation <u>(YPO)</u>

No

2. Run a mini-competition for orders over £2,000

For orders over £2,000, you need to run a mini-competition between the suppliers that offer the goods you want.

You can either:

- follow the advice and guidance on how to run a minicompetition yourself
- get advice and guidance from DfE on how to run a minicompetition by emailing

GetHelpBuyingForSchools@education.gov.uk with:

- your name
- the school name and postcode
- the lot you are interested in
- brief details of the products required
- estimated spend

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