



City of Auburn, Maine  
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60 Court Street, Auburn, Maine 04210

July 8, 2025

Dear Bidder;

The City of Auburn Public Works Department is accepting written Bids for one **(1) 25 Ton Tri-axle Deck over Equipment Trailer**. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Bids in whole or in part and to waive any informality the City may determine necessary. The City also reserves to itself the exclusive right to accept or reject any Bids when it is deemed by the City to be in its best interest. The City of Auburn is governed by Title 1 M.R.S.A. § 401-410, otherwise known as the Freedom of Information Act, which considers bid specifications as public documents. In awarding any Bid, the City may consider, but not be limited to, any of the following factors: Bidder qualifications, price, experience, financial standing with the City, warranties, references, bonding, delivery date, and service of Bidder. Successful Vendors/Contractors shall be current on all amounts due to the City of Auburn prior to the City entering into any contract agreement. All bids must include FOB to Auburn, Maine unless otherwise specified.

Bids will not receive consideration unless submitted in accordance with the following instructions. Please mark sealed envelopes plainly: **"25 Ton Tri-axle Deck over Equipment Trailer -Bid #2026-005"**.

Questions regarding this Request for Bids should be directed to Adam Stevens, Deputy Director of Public Works via email [astevens@auburnmaine.gov](mailto:astevens@auburnmaine.gov) by **3:00PM, July 17, 2025**. All questions and answers will be posted to the City website in the form of an addendum by **3:00PM July 18, 2025**.

Please submit your proposal to the City of Auburn by **2:00 p.m. July 24, 2025**. Proposals will be opened at 2:00 p.m. Proposals must be delivered to **Emma Burns, Purchasing Analyst, 60 Court Street, Auburn, ME 04210** on or before the date and time appointed. No proposals will be accepted after the time and date listed above.

Sincerely,

Emma Burns  
Purchasing Analyst

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## **CONDITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

1. Bidders shall use the enclosed bid form for quotations. Whenever, in bid forms, an article is defined by using a trade name or catalog number, the term "or approved equal", if not inserted, shall be implied.
2. Submit a separate unit price for each item unless otherwise specified in the bid request. Award will be made on a basis of each item, or as a group, whichever is in the best interest of the City. Prices stated are to be "delivered to destination".
3. Bid proposals must be completed in full, in ink and must be signed by firm official. Bid proposal **must be notarized** prior to bid being sealed and will be disqualified if not notarized. Bids may be withdrawn prior to the time set for the official opening.
4. Bids will be opened publicly. Bidders or representatives may be present at bid opening.
5. Awards will be made to a responsible bidder, considering the quality of the materials, date of delivery, cost which meets specification and is in the best interest to the City of Auburn.
6. All transportation charges, including expense for freight, transfer express, mail, etc. shall be prepaid and be at the expense of the vendor unless otherwise specified in the bid.
7. The terms and cash discounts shall be specified. Time, in connection with discount offered, will be computed from date of delivery at destination after final inspection and acceptance or from date of correct invoice, whichever is later.
8. The City is exempt from payment of Federal Excise Taxes on the articles not for resale, Federal Transportation Tax on all shipments and Maine Sales Tax and Use Taxes. Please quote less these taxes. Upon application, exemption certificate will be furnished with the Purchase Order when required.
9. Time of delivery shall be stated. If time is of the essence, the earliest date may be a factor in the bid award.
10. No contract may be assigned without the written consent of the Finance Director or her designate. The contract shall not be considered valid until a purchase order has been issued to the successful bidder.
11. Please state **"25 Ton Tri-axle Deck over Equipment Trailer -Bid #2026-002"** on submitted sealed envelope.
12. The City of Auburn reserves the right to waive any formality and technicality in bids whichever is deemed best for the interest of the City of Auburn.

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

### **1. Equal Employment Opportunity**

The City of Auburn is an Equal Opportunity Employer and shall not discriminate against an applicant for employment, and employee or a citizen because of race, color, sex, marital status, physical and/or mental handicap, religion, age, ancestry or natural origin, unless based upon a bona-fide occupation qualification. Vendors and contractor or their agents doing business with the City shall not violate the above clause or the Civil Rights Acts of 1964. Violations by vendors shall be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and may mean an automatic breach of contract or service to the City of Auburn.

### **2. Save Harmless**

The Bidder agrees to protect and save harmless the owner from all costs, expenses or damages that may arise out of alleged infringement of patents of materials used.

### **3. Subcontracting**

The Bidder shall not subcontract any part of the work or materials or assign any monies due it without first obtaining the written consent of the municipality. The Bidder is responsible for all approved sub-contracted work. The Bidder is responsible for managing all aspects of sub-contracting work. Neither party shall assign or transfer its interest in the contract without the written consent of the other party.

### **4. Warranty**

The Bidder warrants that all work will be of good quality and free from faults and defects, and in conformance with the specifications. All work not so conforming to these standards may be considered defective. The Bidder agrees to be responsible for the acts and omissions of all of its employees and all subcontractors, their agents and employees, and all other persons performing any of the work under a contract with the Bidder. If these specifications, either in whole or in part, do not meet all Federal and State of Maine DOT and ICC mandates it shall be the responsibility of the successful bidder to bring specifications into compliance prior to awarding bid.

**PROPOSAL FORM:**

**Due:** July 24, 2025

**To:** City of Auburn  
Emma Burns  
Purchasing Analyst  
60 Court Street  
Auburn, ME 04210

The undersigned individual/firm/business guarantees this price for thirty days (30) from the proposal due date. The undersigned submits this proposal without collusion with any other person, individual, or firm or agency. The undersigned ensures the authority to act on behalf of the corporation, partnership or individual they represent; and has read and agreed to all of the terms, requests, or conditions written herein by the City of Auburn, Maine.

By signing this form, the firm listed below hereby affirms that its bid meets the minimum specifications and standards as listed above.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Company \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Fax # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Web Site \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF MAINE

\_\_\_\_\_, SS.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Personally, appeared \_\_\_\_\_ and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his/her free act and deed in his/her capacity and the free act and deed of said company.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_

## **SPECIFICATIONS FOR: 25 TON TRI-AXLE DECK OVER EQUIPMENT TRAILER**

FAILURE TO ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS COULD LEAD TO REJECTION OF BID

TRAILER SPECIFICATIONS	Yes	No	Var.
<b>MODEL</b>			
Latest Design and Model			
Model # _____			
3 Axle Deck over Equipment Trailer			
<b>OVERALL TRAILER LENGTH &amp; WIDTH</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Var.</b>
Minimum 35' Overall Length			
Minimum 102" Width			
<b>GVWR</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Var.</b>
Minimum 50,000 Lbs.			
List GVWR: _____			
Trailer weight unloaded to be no more than 12,700 lbs.			
<b>A-FRAME</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Var.</b>
A-Frame Length 6' minimum			
Made from high-tensile cold formed wide flange beam			
Dual two-speed landing gear			
<b>MAIN FRAME</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Var.</b>
Hi-Tensile strength wide flanged 14" minimum			
Cross Members Hi-Tensile strength 6" channel iron minimum			
Side Rail Hi-Tensile strength 8" channel iron. Open to inside.			
<b>HITCH</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Var.</b>
3" Pintle Eye			
Minimum of five (5) positions of adjustment			
Adjustable hitch height from approx.. 23"-32"			
<b>AXLES (TRI-AXLE)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Var.</b>
(3) 22,500 Lbs. Cap Axles, 8-stud hubs with heavy duty spring ride suspension minimum			

23,000 Lbs. Cap minimum Air-Powered lift axle with control box and air gauge			
Oil bath wheel bearings			
<b>BRAKES</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Var.</b>
ABS Brakes on all axles			
Air tanks with cable pull remote air tank drains			
Minimum 12 ¼ x 7" brake shoes			
Automatic slack adjusters			
<b>DECK</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Var.</b>
Minimum of 1 ¾ dried oak flooring			
Decking to be bolted using washer to hold decking to the channel iron cross members, not drilled or screwed into the channel iron			
Deck length minimum of 24'			
Minimum of 5' planked beavertail			
Deck height when loaded between 32"-36"			
Minimum of 3/8" reinforced deck plating over wheels			
Bolt on driver's side step on front corner of deck			
<b>TIRES</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Var.</b>
Twelve (12) 235/75R17.5 J18 Tubeless radial tires			
Two (2) matching spare tires and rims			
Twelve (12) 17.5 x 6.75 8-hole hub piloted steel disc wheels			
<b>RAMPS</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Var.</b>
Two (2) air-powered ramps, minimum size of 38" wide and 80" long			
Wood filled with matching 1 ¾ dried oak			
Support brackets to hold each ramp in place when not in use. Minimum of one (1) per ramp.			
<b>ELECTRICAL</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Var.</b>
Sealed Beam LED DOT approved lighting			
7-pin round type trailer plug			
Sealed Beam Strobe lights on rear of trailer, minimum of two (2)			
Modular vapor proof Grote Ultra blur wiring harness			

<b>ACCESSORIES</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Var.</b>
Mud flaps after rear axle			
Minimum of eight (8) pairs of D-Rings, seven (7) along each side of trailer, one (1) set on the main beam at the head board			
Steel covered, lockable toolbox located on A-Frame of trailer			



## **BID FORM**

The undersigned proposes to furnish one (1) 25 Ton Tri-axle Deck over Equipment Trailer. Other new unused equipment which may be in stock that is comparable to the specifications above but not exact shall also be considered.

### **One (1) 25 Ton Tri-axle Deck over Equipment Trailer**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make and Model and Year \_\_\_\_\_

### **Net FOB Auburn Highway Garage (Total Price)**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_