

Darden Restaurants, Inc.

Contractor Qualification Requirements

Thank you for your interest in performing General Construction services for Darden Restaurants. In order to ensure success for our project teams, we require our contractors to meet certain standards. The information needed to evaluate your qualifications is as follows:

1. An AIA Document A305, “Contractor’s Qualification Statement”, signed & notarized
 - a. Include copies and a list of **ALL** GC licenses, registrations, or other validation of your firm’s ability to work in all states listed in the A305. A copy of each license must be provided with each contract should a Darden project be awarded.
 - b. Include copies of any minority-owned or woman-owned business certificates, if applicable.

Note: If you are qualified to do business with Darden you will need to provide a W-9 form with your first (1st) awarded project contract.

2. An audited financial statement, accompanied with a letter from the auditor stating that the audit was performed “...in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.” If this statement is more than 6 months old, provide an unaudited version in addition to the audited statement.

3. Provide a letter from your surety (sometimes called a “Consent of Surety”) stating that you are in good standing and indicating your single project bonding limit as well as your aggregate limit. **If you are qualified to do business with Darden you will be required to bond your first (1st) awarded project.**

4. Provide a list of casual and fine dining (Olive Garden, Red Lobster, Chili’s, Bennigan’s, Seasons 52, Capital Grille, Eddie V’s, etc.) restaurants completed for at least the last 3 years, including dollar amounts. Additional restaurant or retail experience may be submitted separately in addition to the casual dining experience.

5. Provide a list of at least five (5) customer references and five (5) supplier references, including contact name and telephone, fax, and email if available.

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6. Provide proof - Insurance Requirement: Contractor shall purchase and maintain :
- a. Comprehensive General Liability
 - b. Automobile Liability
 - c. Workers' Compensation Insurance to provide protection for claims.

The Comprehensive General Liability Insurance shall have at least a One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) combined single limit for personal injury and property damage. Such insurance must cover claims which may arise out of Contractor's obligations under the Contract Documents, whether it is to be performed or furnished by Contractor, by any Subcontractor, by anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform or furnish any of the Work, or by anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable.

7. If you are approved to bid with Darden, you agree to send appropriate office personnel to Darden Headquarters for a day of training. This is part of our mandatory requirements for all Pre Qualified General Contractors. Upon approval, contact Ra'Quel Cook at rcook@darden.com to schedule your date.

If any of this information is not submitted, we will be unable to process your qualification package. Please allow at least 30 days for processing of the information once received. We will respond at our earliest opportunity.

Prequalification is not a guarantee that you will be given bidding opportunities but we will endeavor to provide opportunities to new bidders when required in specific markets.

Send your package via email to Design&ConstructionInvoices@Darden.com with "GC Pre Qual Package - Attention: CONSTRUCTION DIRECTOR" in subject line.