

Special Rules, Information, and Requirements for Bids and Awards for Trash Can Liners (Item Numbers: 3710 – 3756)

1. State minimums are absolutely *rock bottom*. No vendor will be awarded a bid for any liner that does not equal or exceed each, every, and all specified minimums for that item number.
2. Do not send individual liner samples! If received, such individual samples will not be considered and will be discarded. Bids that purport to tie individual sample liners to approval and/or acceptance of delivered liners will be disqualified from consideration for awards.
3. Lowest bidders are required to submit (ship) a sample of two (2) full, unopened and unaltered cartons of each liner for which they are among the lowest bidders. Placement into shipping must be within 48 hours of request and be verifiable through tracking numbers. Samples, including cartons and all of their markings, must be identical to those that would be delivered if awarded the bid. Providing these samples shall be entirely at vendor expense and none shall be returned. Sample cartons, their labeling, and their contents must be identical to those that would be provided to ordering districts and charter schools if a bid were awarded.
– Absolutely no Substitutions!
4. Manufacturer and/or vendor ratings/descriptions such as: *Heavy Duty, Extra-Heavy, Extra-Extra Heavy, Tough, Super-Duper Tough*, etc. etc., etc., are not governed by real number minimum standards, and therefore will be completely ignored. Only real numbers for weight in pounds and thickness in microns will be recognized.
5. Manufacturer names are required in case there are questions regarding the specifications to which the liners were manufactured, material safety, product liability, etc. Any information manufacturers have had printed on cartons is not to be altered, obliterated, covered over, or otherwise concealed.
6. Vendors must provide all required information totally and accurately. The Cooperative Purchasing Program reserves the right to verify all information provided by independent means.
7. No waiver(s), extensions(s), substitutions(s), etc., will be given to any bid-submitting vendor.
8. When preparing its bid, any vendor expecting to be competitive is strongly urged to reserve in stock, exactly matching – including required packing as *tear off* and coreless rolls sample cartons of the liners the vendor is bidding. Not supplying the required exactly matching sample cartons within the specified time frame will end consideration of the vendor's bid.