

**INVITATION TO BID  
WEST SHORE FIRE DISTRICT  
WEST HAVEN, CT**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids for a 7.1M Amphibious Rescue boat will be received by the West Shore Fire District, 860 Ocean Ave West Haven, CT. 06516 until April 25, 2024 until 2:00 pm, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The West Shore Fire District intends to purchase one (1) 7.1M Amphibious Rescue boat with the following specifications:

1. 7.1 SAR AMP
2. GRP NON skid Deck
3. 3 U Bolts 1 on the bow and 2 on the transom
4. Anchor Locker/ FWD storage with seat
5. FWD dry deck storage locker
6. Composite Keel guard (full Boat Length)
7. 60 Gallon Fuel Tank with gauges
8. Signal Mercury 4 stroke F200 EXLPT outboard engine with DTS Fly by wire binnacle -mount remote control, Hydraulic Steering System, Vessel View 403 four-inch Display, Steering Wheel, Battery, ETC.
9. Four HD Deck- affixed lifting Hard -points
10. Double Futura console with high clear windscreen
11. Jockey saddle seat
12. Military- Grade 1670 Dtex Pneumatic tube set, five section compartmentalized with separate air inflation and over-pressure relief valves
13. Neoprene non slip step treads on tube set
14. Triple Fendering rub- strakes on tube set including vertical bow strakes
15. Internal and external safety line (straight line with rubber eyes)
16. Stenciled name on tube set, both sides "WEST SHORE FIRE"
17. Diver notches
18. Anchor 7 KG and anchor rope 250 feet

- 19.USCG approved throwable ring buoys mounted
- 20.USCG approved fire extinguishers mounted
- 21.Parbuckling rescue net
- 22.Seadek 8mm
- 23.Heavy duty t- top custom height and electronics tower. The entire vessel cannot exceed 9 ft 4 inches in height with the wheels fully extended.
- 24.Heavy duty AFT A-frame equipment arch with swim ladder and with stokes storage brackets
- 25.Heavy duty Aft tow post
- 26.Garmin GTS51m-tm
- 27.Garmin GPS 19x NMEA 2000
- 28.Garmin blue chart G3 Vision VU5007R
- 29.Offshore model 95 compass, lighted, dash mounted
- 30.Garmin 215 VHF Marine radio w/DSC and AIS
- 31.Shakespeare 5226-XT Black VHF antenna
- 32.Shakespeare extra heavy-duty antenna mount
- 33.Provisions to mount dept radio and components supplied by the fire dept
- 34.Whalen siren/PA system and built in signal horn
- 35.12 VDC Marine electrical distribution bus/system, Breaker panels, battery isolators, battery selector switches, circuit breakers, rocker-switch panel and 5 bank AGM Batteries
36. Triple bank 20 amp, on board battery conditioning/charging system, shore outlet
- 37.Automatic bilge pumps (2) w/float switch and manual override operation
- 38.Deck drains (2) with automatic sump pumps and elephant trunks
- 39.12 VDC accessory receptacles 2x automotive port/starboard side of console
- 40.12 VDC air compressor pump for tube – set inflation
- 41.Scene lighting 10” double row T-top all sides (4) aft arch rear facing (2) console (1)
- 42.LED law enforcement 360 lightbar LED color red/white
- 43.Remote control search lights ACR RCL 95 w/joystick control unit and FOB remote
- 44.LED vessel navigation lights
- 45.Float on aluminum, I beam, triple -axle, bunk style, DOT approved, road - trailer w/disc braking system and w / mounted spare tire and wheel assembly, land loading amphibious trailer
- 46.Full warranty

All fees and inspections and permits shall be included in pricing. All work shall be completed and the apparatus shall be delivered to the West Shore Fire District by November 1, 2024.

In the event that the awarded bidder does not perform the work in accordance with the specifications and/or scope of services, the West Shore Fire District reserves the right to terminate the contract upon ten (10) business days' written notice.

#### REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION (RFI) / ADDENDA

Direct requests to: Chief of Department, 860 Ocean Ave., West Haven, CT 06516.

NOTE: Written requests for information will not be accepted after 12:00PM on April 5, 2024. Response will be in the form of an addendum that will be posted approximately April 10, 2024 at close of business to the West Shore Fire District website: [www.westshorefd.com](http://www.westshorefd.com).

No questions or clarifications shall be answered by phone, in person or in any other manner than specified above. Addenda will not be mailed, e-mailed or faxed out. The West Shore Fire District must be provided with a minimum three (3) business/trade references. All pricing in proposal must include necessary tools, equipment and incidentals to perform the work, standard warranty, taxes, insurance, overhead and profit. The West Shore Fire District reserves the right to cancel this contract due to unsatisfactory service and/or noncompliance with the terms set forth herein. The Contractor shall be licensed in Connecticut. All work shall comply with all Federal, State and Local safety and environmental requirements. The West Shore Fire District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all exceptions, as deemed in its best interest.

Bid proposals are to be in the office of West Shore Board of Fire Commissioners prior to date and time specified, at which time they will be publicly opened.

RIGHT TO ACCEPT / REJECT AFTER REVIEW OF ALL FACTORS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS, INCLUDING PRICE

The West Shore Fire District reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or any part thereof, or waive defects in same, or accept any proposal deemed to be in the best interest of the West Shore Fire District.

Questions concerning conditions, bidding guidelines and specifications should only be directed in writing to: Chief of Department, 860 Ocean Ave., West Haven, CT 06516, and must be received no later than as indicated in the bid documents prior to date of bid opening. Failure to comply with these conditions will result in the bidder waiving the right to dispute the bid specifications and conditions. The West Shore Fire District shall put forth its best effort to make payment within thirty days (30) after delivery of the item acceptance of the work, or receipt of a properly completed invoice, whichever is later. Payment period shall be net thirty days (30) unless otherwise specified. The contract will be made or entered into with the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications. The Contractor shall not commence any work under the Contract until all insurance required by this section has been obtained and Certificates of Insurance and any other evidence of required coverage requested by the West Shore Fire District, including a copy of the policy itself, have been received and approved by the West Shore Fire District. Such policies shall stipulate that no coverage can be changed or canceled, including for non-payment of premium, unless the West Shore Fire District has had thirty (30) days prior notice in writing. All insurance issuers chosen by the Contractor must be licensed to do business in the State of Connecticut and rated A- or better by A.M. Best Rating Services. The West Shore Fire District always reserves the right to reject insurance companies, if approved insurance policies cannot be provided the contract shall be terminated. The insurance requirements set forth below are minimum limits of coverage only and in no way limit the Contractor's liability. The following insurance is required to be maintained in full force until all work required by the contract has been fully completed, except that Products/Completed Operations coverage shall be maintained for five (5) years.

Workers' Compensation Insurance: The Contractor shall carry Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance in the form and in such amounts as may be currently required to comply with the Labor Laws of the State of Connecticut. The Contractor shall carry and maintain during the life of the Contract a commercial general liability insurance policy providing coverage for bodily injury and property damage in the amount of \$2,000,000, and

products/completed operations coverage in the amount of \$2,000,000. Waiver of subrogation is required on all policies. The West Shore Fire District, its officers, officials, employees, and agents shall be named as additional insureds. The coverage shall be primary and non-contributory and contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the West Shore Fire District. A waiver of subrogation applies under general liability, auto liability and Workers' Compensation. The coverage shall be primary and non-contributory and contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the West Shore Fire District. The Contractor shall also provide garage keepers/shop keepers liability insurance, in the amount of \$2,000,000, providing primary insurance coverage to vehicles, fire apparatus, ambulances and boats while in the repair facility. Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the West Shore Fire District, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims and demands of any nature for any loss, damage or injury which any person may suffer by reason of, or in any way arising out of, this Agreement, unless caused by the sole negligence of the West Shore Fire District.

No protest regarding the validity or appropriateness of the specifications or of the Invitation for Bids will be considered, unless the protest is filed in writing with West Shore Board of Fire Commissioners, 860 Ocean Ave., West Haven, CT 06516 prior to the closing date for the bids. All bid proposals rendered shall be considered meeting the attached specifications unless exceptions are noted on a separate page dated and signed by the bidder. UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED it will be assumed that all terms and conditions and specifications will be complied with and will be considered as part of the Bid Proposal.