



Frequently Asked Questions

What is bidnet direct?

As of January 2022, the New York Racing Association (NYRA) is transitioning from its current platform to the [Empire State Purchasing Group](#), the vendor portal to a procurement platform and vendor portal that is hosted by **bidnet direct**. This will be the exclusive online vendor portal used to post and notify vendors of current solicitation opportunities, proposal and bid submissions.

Many participating agencies also utilize the electronic bid submission option for vendors to submit responses directly online through the platform. In addition, **bidnet**'s content team of researchers visits thousands of agency websites, newspapers, and other locations to aggregate open solicitations from non-participating agencies to alert registered vendors of matching opportunities.

Will current and upcoming solicitation opportunities still be posted on the NYRA website?

No, Currently the NYRA website does not post the solicitations which can be download by bidders. All open informal /formal solicitations for commodities, construction and professional services will be issued and published on [bidnet direct](#).

However, you may always visit the NYRA website (www.nyrainc.com) for vendors to also access links directly to **bidnet direct** and NYRA's open, closed and awarded solicitations.

How do I register on bidnet direct to receive New York Racing Association business opportunities?

Registration on **bidnet direct** is done online. To receive notifications of matching New York Racing Association, simply register [here](#).

You may also refer to the Registration Help Guide located [here](#).

What are the registration options?

There are 4 types of registration options, you can select the package that makes the most sense for your company.

When you register, you are registering for access to not only the New York Racing Association's open solicitations, but also solicitations from over 275 of other participating agencies throughout the State of New York.

Limited Access registration provides access to all bid information; however, you are not notified when you match with new information as it is published. Vendors can view, search, download and respond electronically to solicitations at **no cost**.

Purchasing Group registration will send you automatic notification of matching solicitations from the New York Racing Association and all other participating agencies throughout the state of New York along with a robust search engine and saved search functionality.

Statewide registration will send you alerts for matching solicitations and documents from both the 275+ participating agencies plus other local and state governments throughout New York.

Federal registration will send you alerts for matching solicitations and documents from both the 275+ participating agencies plus other federal, local, and state governments throughout New York.

For automatic e-mail notification of matching bid opportunities, select the **Purchasing Group, Statewide or Federal** option (subscription fee required).

Limited \$0	Group Agencies \$9/month <i>billed annually</i>	State & Local \$33/month <i>billed annually</i>	Federal, State & Local \$43/month <i>billed annually</i>
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What information do I need to register on bidnet direct?

Basic registration requires key contact information for your company's main user, such as company name, address, and phone number. Once you have completed the basic registration, you will receive an email to verify your account information. After your account is verified, you will be prompted to complete additional information, including NIGP Category code selections and any applicable Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) or Small Business (SB) certification information.

Will I be able to download documents?

Yes, all registered vendors can download documents from the [New York Racing Association](#) along with other participating agency documents attached to matching solicitations.

I am having trouble registering or have a bidnet direct question, who can I contact for assistance?

bidnet direct’s Vendor Support team is available M-F from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. EST. You can contact us at (800) 835-4603, Option 2, or support@bidnet.com