

**DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION PROGRAM** **2623**  
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The DVBE participation program for state contracts is established in [PCC](#) section 10115 et seq., Military and Veterans Code, section 999 et seq. and CCR, Title 2 section 1896.60 et seq.

**COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION AND DVBE REQUIREMENT** **2623.2**  
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[Purchasers](#) must develop DVBE solicitation language to include in their competitive solicitations that complies with the DVBE participation program.

**EXEMPTING A TRANSACTION** **2623.3**  
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A department director or designee has the discretion to exempt inclusion of DVBE participation from individual solicitations; however, the 3% annual goal still applies.

[Purchasers](#) should keep in mind that [CAL FIRE](#) executive management has mandated that this goal must be met. To access the listing of DVBE vendors go to the [DGS website http://www.osmb.dgs.ca.gov](#), use the [CAL FIRE](#) intranet site under “yellow pages” tab or contact your unit Purchasing Coordinator.

[Purchasers](#) must document the procurement file whenever a DVBE exemption has been authorized.

**MEETING DVBE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS** **2623.4**  
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If the DVBE participation is a requirement of the competitive solicitation then a bidder must document at least one of the following three ways to comply with the DVBE program requirements:

- Commit to full DVBE participation.
- Documentation in support of Good Faith Effort.
- Provide an approved Business Utilization Plan.

[Refer to Section 2622.6 for CUF requirements.](#)

## **ADVERTISING AND THE GOOD FAITH EFFORT**

**2623.5**

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Bidders, as part of documenting DVBE Good Faith Effort, are required to advertise in trade papers and DVBE focus papers unless waived by the awarding department.

If the **purchaser** elects to waive the advertising requirement, the following statement shall be included within the solicitation:

“For the purpose of this solicitation, the advertising requirement is hereby waived due to time constraints.”

## **ADDITIONAL DVBE INFORMATION**

**2623.6**

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[Click here](#) to access the DGS/PD DVBE Participation web page.

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