

NON-COMPETITIVELY BID (NCB) CONTRACTS AND PURCHASING AUTHORITY

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An important principle of state purchasing is to promote and provide for open and fair competition when competition is known to exist. This [section](#) describes the process [purchasers](#) must follow when executing a transaction where no known competition exists. Also described is what purchasing authority is necessary before executing an NCB contract, what requirements shall be followed at the various dollar thresholds, what forms are necessary, and what is involved when [CAL FIRE](#) has a significant number of repeat NCB contracts for a particular category of goods or services.

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