

## INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Newington will accept bids for one new Exmark Lazer Z XS mower and related equipment for use by the Parks and Grounds Division. All bids must be submitted in accordance with Town specifications and on forms supplied by the Town. Bid forms and specifications are available in the office of the Town Manager, 131 Cedar Street, Newington, CT 06111 and on line at [www.newingtonct.gov](http://www.newingtonct.gov), in the Doing Business, Current Bids section. Sealed bids will be received until 2:30 p.m. on March 15, 2010. The Town of Newington reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

John L. Salomone  
Town Manager

Bid No. 9, 2009-10

TOWN OF NEWINGTON  
PARKS AND GROUNDS MOWER  
GENERAL INFORMATION

Intent

It is the intent of the Town of Newington to purchase one new Exmark Lazer Z XS model (LXS35BV725) mower and related equipment for use by the Newington Parks and Grounds Division. Machine configuration as specified in this bid shall be readily and commonly available in the United States.

Bid Procedures

All bids shall be submitted on forms provided by the Town of Newington and addressed to the Town Manager's Office, Town Hall, 131 Cedar Street, Newington, CT 06111. Bids will be opened and read publicly at 2:30 p.m. on March 15, 2010 in the Town Manager's Office. Sealed bid envelopes should be clearly labeled "Bid No. 9, 2009-10 Parks and Grounds Mower".

The Town reserves the right to waive informalities or to reject any or all bids when such action is deemed to be in the best interests of the Town. The Town reserves the right to delete such items as it deems necessary from these proposals.

Delivery

Delivery of equipment hereunder shall be made to the Newington Highway Department, 281 Milk Lane, Newington. Risk of loss or damage in transit shall be borne by the vendor, who shall be responsible for filing any necessary claims against the carrier. The mower and related equipment shall be delivered with all items completely installed and in operable condition. Normally removable items shall have attachments for such removal. All fluids, fittings, greases, etc. shall be provided by the bidder. Successful bidder must deliver unit within 120 days of award confirmation (in the form of a written, signed, and dated purchase order from the Town). There are no direct financial penalties associated with failure to meet this deadline, but such failure may result, at the Town's sole discretion, in the Town declaring the successful bidder to be a non-responsive vendor, which would prevent any future business activity with the Town.

### Inquiries and Addenda

Any questions regarding this bid shall be addressed to Hermas Lavoie, Mechanic Foreman, Highway Department, 131 Cedar Street, Newington, CT 06111. Contact phone number (860) 667-5810, between 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Questions shall be presented by the close of business on March 10, 2010 in order to allow sufficient time for the preparation and posting of addenda on the Town's website, <http://www.newingtonct.gov> in the Doing Business, Current Bids section. All bidders are responsible for monitoring the Town's website to determine the existence and content of any addenda issued for this bid. No addenda shall be posted by the Town within two business days of the bid opening.

### Nondiscrimination

The Contractor shall agree and warrant that it will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of sex, race, color religion, age, marital status, ancestry, national origin, past history of mental disorder, mental retardation or physical disability or other basis in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States, the State of Connecticut, or the Town of Newington.

### Submittals

1. One (1) set of Manufacturer's specifications shall accompany each bid. These specifications will be evaluated to determine if the component(s) bid is equivalent to the items specified. Bidder shall note, in writing, any deviations from these specifications. Merely providing literature is not sufficient and may be just cause for rejection of a bid.
2. The mower and related equipment must meet all Federal and State regulations as well as OSHA regulations. The successful bidder shall provide caution labels, decals and any warnings deemed necessary. The warranty period shall also be submitted with the Bid Form.
3. A complete set of operating, parts or service, and repair manuals shall be provided by the successful bidder. Service\repair manuals may be in CD format. This shall include all manufacturers' equipment and technical advice necessary for the proper operation of the mower and related equipment. An adequate supply of replacement parts shall be available within a fifty (50) mile radius of the Newington Highway Garage.

TOWN OF NEWINGTON

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PARKS AND GROUNDS MOWER

GENERAL: It is the intent of the Town of Newington to purchase one (1) new mower for use by the Newington Parks and Grounds Division, as follows:

- A. One (1) Exmark Lazer Z XS (LXS35BV725) with all standard equipment :  
35 -horsepower air-cooled Vanguard V-Twin, governed to 3750 rpm.  
72” triton high-capacity side-discharge full floating mower deck.
  
- B. Ultra Vac 3 bag system, installed on machine at time of delivery, model UV6672, and the completing drive kit (109-1169). For these items, the Town reserves the right, at its’ sole discretion, to either include or exclude them when making a bid award.

ALTERNATE BID: The Town will also accept bids for one (1) new Exmark Lazer Z model (LZZ34KA726) mower with all standard equipment, plus the Ultra Vac 3 bag system model (LZUV3B), and the completing drive kit (109-9629). If the Town, at its’ sole discretion, decides to select this Alternate in lieu of the Base Bid, the Town reserves the right to either include or delete the Ultra 3 bag system and the completing drive kit when making a bid award.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS: The following shall be required:

- One (1) additional set of blades
- One full set of service filters (oil, hydraulic, and air)

WARRANTY: Manufacturers warranty shall be provided. There shall be no charge for travel, parts, labor, or transportation of the machine during the warranty period.

EXTENDED FACTORY WARRANTY: The bidder shall supply information regarding all extended factory warranty programs available to the Town at the time of bid.

TOWN OF NEWINGTON  
PARKS AND GROUNDS MOWER  
BID FORM

In accordance with the specifications, the undersigned hereby submits the following bid for a new mower, for use by the Newington Parks and Grounds Division, delivered, for the amount of:

One new Exmark Lazer Z XS model (LXS35BV725) mower with all standard equipment.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Ultra Vac 3 bag system model (UV6672) completing drive kit (109-1169).

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate 1

One new Exmark Lazer Z model (LZZ34KA726) mower with all standard equipment.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Ultra Vac 3 bag system model (LZUV3B) completing drive kit (109-9629).

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Warranty Period \_\_\_\_\_.

The manufacturer's extended factory warranty information and one set of manufacturer's specifications are enclosed. The undersigned is submitting this bid without collusion with any other individual or corporation.

SUBMITTED FOR

SUBMITTED BY

Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_