



DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES  
**OFFICE OF STATE PROCUREMENT SERVICES**  
 STATE OF MAINE

**PROCUREMENT JUSTIFICATION FORM (PJF)**

This form must accompany all contract requests and sole source requisitions (RQS) over \$5,000 submitted to the Office of State Procurement Services.

*INSTRUCTIONS: Please provide the requested information in the white spaces below. All responses (except signatures) must be typed; no hand-written forms will be accepted. See the guidance document posted with this form on the Procurement Services intranet site (Forms page) for additional instructions.*

PART I: OVERVIEW			
Department Office/Division/Program:		Transportation/Project Development/Materials Testing & Exploration	
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Richard Bradbury	
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$ 31835.00	Advantage CT / RQS #:	RQS20250616000000001943
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:	8/1/2025	Proposed End Date: 7/31/2026
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:		Effective Date:
	Previous End Date:		New End Date:
GRANT	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:		ASTM INTERNATIONAL, P.O. Box 45758, Baltimore, MD 21297-5758 VC1000006440	
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		1-year subscription to ASTM COMPASS online portal, including American Welding Standards	



PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION			
Check the box below for the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	A. Competitive Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	G. Grant
<input type="checkbox"/>	B. Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/>	H. State Statute/Agency Directed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C. Single Source/Unique Vendor	<input type="checkbox"/>	I. Federal Agency Directed
<input type="checkbox"/>	D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents	<input type="checkbox"/>	J. Willing and Qualified
<input type="checkbox"/>	E. Emergency	<input type="checkbox"/>	K. Client Choice
<input type="checkbox"/>	F. University Cooperative Project	<input type="checkbox"/>	L. Other Authorization

Please respond to ALL of the questions in the following sections.

PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION	
1. Provide a more detailed description and explain the need for the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.	MaineDOT Standard Specifications reference numerous ASTM and AWS standards, specifications, and test methods. Current versions of these standards must be accessible to Department engineers and technicians in order to comply with applicable design requirements and laboratory accreditation requirements. MaineDOT no longer maintains current hard copies of these standards. Subscribing to the online portal will improve efficiency by providing ready access to the most current versions of these standards.
2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II. Reference the RFP number, if applicable.	As the organization that develops, publishes, and owns the copyright to these standards, ASTM International is uniquely qualified to provide digital access to them through an online portal. Other vendors would need to pay licensing fees to ASTM in addition to the cost of the portal itself.
3. Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee.	MaineDOT negotiated a reduced rate for the 1-year subscription. The list price is over \$40,000.00; MaineDOT negotiated a price of \$31,835.00. A single set of the print version costs over \$15,000. Access to the print version would be limited to Augusta HQ; other users around the state would not have access, requiring them to purchase additional copies as needed.
4. Describe the plan for future competition for the goods or services.	Market research will be conducted prior to the end of the subscription period to determine if additional vendors have entered the market. If so, future subscriptions will be procured using a competitive bidding process.

PART IV: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) / MAINE JOBS & RECOVERY PLAN (MJRP)	
Does this request utilize ARPA/MJRP funds?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, MJRP funds (023) – If Yes, please attach the approved Business Case(s).	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, ARPA funds (025) – If Yes, please be aware of the requirements from awarding federal agencies.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – If No, proceed to Part V.	

PART V: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (COI); CONTRACT WITH THE STATE	
<i>Maine law contains Conflict of Interest statutes directed to State Departments, State Officers, and Employees Generally under MRS <a href="#">Title 5, §18</a> and <a href="#">§18-A</a>, in harmony with MRS <a href="#">Title 17, §3104</a>.</i>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The requesting department signatory understands and acknowledges Maine’s Conflict of Interest statutes.	

<b>PART VI: APPROVALS</b>			
The signatures below indicate approval of this procurement request.			
Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):			
Typed Name:	<i>Bill Pulver, C.O.O.</i>	Date:	<i>6-9-2025</i>
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <small>DocuSigned by:</small>    <small>EA813178102243C...</small> </div>		
Typed Name:	Joseph Zrioka, Director of IT Procurement	Date:	6/24/2025



Evan Rothblatt  
 100 Barr Harbor Drive | PO Box C700  
 West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959  
 Phone: 610.832.9598 | Fax: 610.832.9555  
 Fed. Int. No: 23-1352024  
 D-U-N-S No: 00-199-3369  
 GST/HST No: R129162244

**QUOTE /  
 PROFORMA**

Quote/Proforma Date:  
**5/19/2025**  
 Quote is valid until:  
**8/1/2025**



ASTM is pleased to offer the Maine Department of Transportation (ME DOT) access to our Standards and Test Methods via a custom portal. This offering is intended to provide the ME DOT employees with access to ASTM & AWS content through a unique platform designed to make sharing of relevant data easier than ever before. Below you will find the details surrounding this offering.

**ASTM CUSTOMIZED PORTAL SUBSCRIPTION**

Desktop delivery of all sections listed in price chart below inclusive of the following functionality:

- Color-coded highlighting for comparing revisions (**Version Comparison / Redlines**)
- Superseded ASTM standards remain in portal for reference purposes (**Historical**)
- Ability to create digital citations within the documents for sharing online with others via Compass® Points (**additional cost, inquire for details**)
- ASTM Alert Service
- Live web based training sessions for your staff
- Telephone / email support
- **Unlimited** legal downloads and printing of documents in subscription via each user's desktop / mobile device either in PDF or HTML Format

<b>COMPASS® PORTAL PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:                  Unlimited STATEWIDE Access to ASTM Standards and Test Methods</b>	<b>ME DOT                  Discounted                  Annual                  Price</b>
<b>ASTM Complete</b> 85-volume collection includes all volumes in each of the 15 sections of the Annual Book of ASTM Standards. The complete set provides access to all of ASTM's 13,000+ active & historical standards.	<b>\$31,835                  USD</b>
<b>AWS Complete</b> Over 250 ANSI approved documents, including the AWS Welding Handbook series, Fundamentals in Welding Metallurgy, Brazing Handbook, and associated periodicals.	

- + **GREEN HIGHLIGHT** represents discounted annual price for ME DOT to license.
- + [ASTM Digital Library](#), AASHTO, AWWA, IES, and UNE/EN/ISO standards; [Compass® Points](#); [eLearning modules](#); and [SpecBuilder](#) may be added to this license.
- + Access to all copyrighted standards in the collection will be available through Compass®; no standards may be reproduced (printed, copied, uploaded to a shared server, etc) for the purpose of distribution to any non-ME DOT staff (e.g. consultants/contractors/customers/constituents). All standards are copyrighted and watermarked.

ASTM thanks you for the opportunity to present this estimate for delivery of its content to you.