

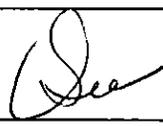


BID/PROPOSAL

COMMODITY: DORMITORY MATTRESSES DATE: 6/16/2015

FORMAL BID NO. _____ PUBLIC BID NO. 100144 RFP NO. _____

BIDS ARE TO BE RECEIVED IN URI PURCHASING DEPARTMENT BY: DATE: 6/24/2015 TIME: 3:00 PM

BUYER: **DEBRA LEE/rlc**  SURETY REQUIRED: YES: _____ NO: X

PRE-BID/PROPOSAL CONFERENCE: DATE: _____ TIME: _____
MANDATORY: YES: _____ NO: _____

LOCATION: _____

**BE SURE ALL INFORMATION SHOWN BELOW IS CORRECT.
FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER MUST BE INCLUDED.**

COMPANY NAME: _____ FEIN: _____

STREET AND NUMBER: _____

CITY, STATE & ZIP CODE: _____

ORDERING E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

**No offer will be considered that is not accompanied by the attached
University of Rhode Island Bidder Certification Form/Contract Offer
completed and signed by the offeror.**

Print Name and Title

Telephone Number/Facsimile Number

Signature

Date

Company F.E.I.N.

THIS BID WILL NOT BE HONORED UNLESS SIGNED
The University of Rhode Island is an equal opportunity employer committed to the principles of affirmative action.

University of Rhode Island Bidder Certification Form

ALL OFFERS ARE SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS, PROVISIONS AND PROCEDURES CONTAINED IN THIS CERTIFICATION FORM. Offerors are expected to read, sign and comply with all requirements. Failure to do so may be grounds for disqualification of the offer contained herein.

Rules for Submitting Offers

This Certification Form must be attached in its entirety to the front of the offer and shall be considered an integral part of each offer made by a vendor to enter into a contract with the University of Rhode Island. As such, submittal of the entire Bidder Certification Form, signed by a duly authorized representative of the offeror attesting that he/she (1) has read and agrees to comply with the requirements set forth herein and (2) to the accuracy of the information provided and the offer extended, is a mandatory part of any contract award.

To assure that offers are considered on time, each offer must be submitted with the specific Bid/RFP/LOI number, date and time of opening marked in the upper left hand corner of the envelope. Each bid/offer must be submitted in separate sealed envelopes.

A complete signed (In Ink) offer package must be delivered to the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office by the time and date specified for the opening of responses in a sealed envelope.

Bids must be submitted on the URI bid solicitation forms provided, indicating brand and part numbers of items offered, as appropriate. Bidders must submit detailed cuts and specs on items offered as equivalent to brands requested WITH THE OFFER. Bidders must be able to submit samples if requested.

Documents misdirected to other State locations or which are not present in the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office at the time of opening for whatever cause will be deemed to be late and will not be considered. For the purposes of this requirement, the official time and date shall be that of the time clock in the reception area of the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office. Postmarks shall not be considered proof of timely submission.

RIVIP SOLICITATIONS. To assure maximum access opportunities for users, public bid/RFP solicitations shall be posted on the RIVIP for a minimum of seven days and no amendments shall be made within the last five days before the date an offer is due. Except when access to the Web Site has been severely curtailed and it is determined by the Purchasing Agent that special circumstances preclude extending a solicitation due date, requests to mail or fax hard copies of solicitations will not be honored. When the result of an internet solicitation is unsuccessful, the University of Rhode Island will cancel the original solicitation and resolicit the original offer directly from vendors.

PRICING. Offers are irrevocable for sixty (60) days from the opening date (or such other extended period set forth in the solicitation), and may not be withdrawn, except with the express permission of the University Purchasing Agent. All pricing will be considered to be firm and fixed unless otherwise indicated. The University of Rhode Island is exempt from Federal excise taxes and State Sales and Use Taxes. Such taxes shall not be included in the bid price. PRICES QUOTED ARE FOB DESTINATION.

DELIVERY and PRODUCT QUALITY. All offers must define delivery dates for all items; if no delivery date is specified, it is assumed that immediate delivery from stock will be made. The contractor will be responsible for delivery of materials in first class condition. Rejected materials will be at the vendor's expense.

PREVAILING WAGE, OSHA SAFETY TRAINING and APPRENTICESHIP REQUIREMENTS. Bidders must comply with the provisions of the Rhode Island labor laws, including R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 37-13-1 et seq. and occupational safety laws, including R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 28-20-1 et seq. These laws mandate for public works construction projects the payment of prevailing wage rates, the implementation and maintenance of occupational safety standards, and for projects with a minimum value of \$1 Million, the employment of apprentices. The successful Bidder must submit certifications of compliance with these laws from each of its subcontractors prior to their commencement of any work. Prevailing wage rates, apprenticeship requirements, and other workforce and safety regulations are accessible at www.dlt.ri.gov.

PUBLIC RECORDS. Offerors are advised that all materials submitted to the University for consideration in response to this solicitation will be considered without exception to be Public Records pursuant to Title 38 Chapter 2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, and will be released for inspection immediately upon request once an award has been made. Offerors are encouraged to attend public bid/RFP openings to obtain information; however, bid/RFP response summaries may be reviewed after award(s) have been made by visiting the Rhode Island Vendor Information Program (RIVIP) at www.purchasing.ri.gov, Solicitation Opportunities +, Other Solicitation Opportunities or appearing in person at the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office Mondays through Fridays between 8:30 am – 3:30 pm. Telephone requests for results will not be honored. Written requests for results will only be honored if the information is not available on the RIVIP.

Award will be made to the responsive and responsible offeror quoting the lowest net price in accordance with specifications, for any individual item(s), for major groupings of items, or for all items listed, at the University's sole option.

BID SURETY. Where bid surety is required, bidder must furnish a bid bond or certified check for 5% of the bid total with the bid, or for such other amount as may be specified. Bids submitted without a required bid surety will not be considered.

SPECIFICATIONS. Unless specified "no substitute", product offerings equivalent in quality and performance will be considered (at the sole option of the University) on the condition that the offer is accompanied by detailed product specifications. Offers which fail to include alternate specifications may be deemed nonresponsive.

VENDOR AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED. When a purchase order, change order, contract/agreement or contract/agreement amendment is issued by the University of Rhode Island, no claim for payment for services rendered or goods delivered contrary to or in excess of the contract terms and scope shall be considered valid unless the vendor has obtained a written change order or contract amendment issued by the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office PRIOR to delivery.

Any offer, whether in response to a solicitation for proposals or bids, or made without a solicitation, which is accepted in the form of an order OR pricing agreement made in writing by the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office, shall be considered a binding contract.

REGULATIONS, GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS GOVERNING STATE AND BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION CONTRACTS. This solicitation and any contract or purchase order arising from it are issued in accordance with the specific requirements described herein, and the State's Purchasing Laws and Regulations and other applicable State Laws, including the Board of Governors for Higher Education General Terms and Conditions of Purchase. The regulations, General Terms and Conditions are incorporated into all University of Rhode Island contracts and can be viewed at: www.ribghe.org/procurementregs113006.pdf and www.purchasing.ri.gov.

ARRA SUPPLEMENTAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS. Contracts and sub-awards funded in whole or in part by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Pub.L.No. 111-5 and any amendments thereto, such contracts and sub-awards shall be subject to the Supplemental Terms and Conditions for Contracts and Sub-awards funded in whole or in part by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Pub.L.No. 111-5 and any amendments thereto located on the Division of Purchases website at www.purchasing.ri.gov.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY. Compliance certificate and agreement procedures will apply to all awards for supplies or services valued at \$10,000 or more. Minority Business Enterprise policies and procedures, including subcontracting opportunities as described in Title 37 Chapter 14.1 of the Rhode Island General Laws also apply.

PERFORMANCE BONDS. Where indicated, successful bidder must furnish a 100% performance bond and labor and payment bond for contracts subject to Title 37 Chapters 12 and 13 of the Rhode Island General Laws. All bonds must be furnished by a surety company authorized to conduct business in the State of Rhode Island. Performance bonds must be submitted within 21 calendar days of the issuance of a tentative notice of award.

DEFAULT and NON-COMPLIANCE Default and/or non-compliance with the requirements and any other aspects of the award may result in withholding of payment(s), contract termination, debarment, suspension, or any other remedy necessary that is in the best interest of the state/University of Rhode Island.

COMPLIANCE Vendor must comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and ordinances.

SPRINKLER IMPAIRMENT AND HOT WORK. The Contractor agrees to comply with the practices of the State's Insurance carrier for sprinkler impairment and hot work. Prior to performing any work, the Contractor shall obtain the necessary information for compliance from the Risk Management Office at the Department of Administration or the Risk Management Office at the University of Rhode Island.

Each bid proposal for a *public works project* must include a "public copy" to be available for public inspection upon the opening of bids. **Bid Proposals that do not include a copy for public inspection will be deemed nonresponsive.**

For further information on how to comply with this statutory requirement, see R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 37-2-18(b) and (j). Also see State of Rhode Island Procurement Regulation 5.11 at <http://www.purchasing.ri.gov/rulesandregulations/rulesAndRegulations.aspx>

ALL CONTRACT AWARDS ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING DISCLOSURES & CERTIFICATIONS

Offerors must respond to every disclosure statement. A person authorized to enter into contracts must sign the offer and attest to the accuracy of all statements.

Indicate Yes (Y) or No (N):

___ 1 State whether your company, or any owner, stockholder, officer, director, member, partner, or principal thereof, or any subsidiary or affiliated company, has been subject to suspension or debarment by any federal, state, or municipal government agency, or the subject of criminal prosecution, or convicted of a criminal offense with the previous five (5) years. If so, then provide details below.

___ 2 State whether your company, or any owner, stockholder, officer, director, member, partner, or principal thereof, or any subsidiary or affiliated company, has had any contracts with a federal, state or municipal government agency terminated for any reason within the previous five (5) years. If so, then provide details below.

___ 3 State whether your company or any owner, stockholder, officer, director, member, partner, or principal thereof, or any subsidiary or affiliated company, has been fined more than \$5000 for violation(s) of Rhode Island environmental laws by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management within the previous five (5) years. If so, then provide details below.

___ 4 I/we certify that I/we will immediately disclose, in writing, to the University Purchasing Agent any potential conflict of interest which may occur during the course of the engagement authorized pursuant to this contract.

___ 5 I/we acknowledge that, in accordance with (1) Chapter §37-2-54(c) of the Rhode Island General Laws "no purchase or contract shall be binding on the state or any agency thereof unless approved by the Department [of Administration] or made under general regulations which the Chief Purchasing Officer may prescribe," and (2) RIGL section §37-2-7(16) which identifies the Board of Governors for Higher Education as a public agency and gives binding contractual authority to the University Purchasing Agent, including change orders and other types of contracts and under State Purchasing Regulation 8.2.1.1.2 any alleged oral agreement or arrangements made by a bidder or contractor with any agency or an employee of the University of Rhode Island may be disregarded and shall not be binding on the University of Rhode Island.

___ 6 I/we certify that I or my/our firm possesses all licenses required by Federal and State laws and regulations as they pertain to the requirements of the solicitation and offer made herein and shall maintain such required license(s) during the entire course of the contract resulting from the offer contained herein and, should my/our license lapse or be suspended, I/we shall immediately inform the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Agent in writing of such circumstance.

___ 7 I/we certify that I/we will maintain required insurance during the entire course of the contract resulting from the offer contained herein and, should my/our insurance lapse or be suspended, I/we shall immediately inform the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Agent in writing of such circumstance.

___ 8 I/we certify that I/we understand that falsification of any information herein or failure to notify the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Agent as certified herein may be grounds for suspension, debarment and/or prosecution for fraud.

___ 9 I/we acknowledge that the provisions and procedures set forth in this form apply to any contract arising from this offer.

___ 10 I/we acknowledge that I/we understand the State's Purchasing Laws (§37-2 of the General Laws of Rhode Island) and Purchasing Regulations and General Terms and Conditions available at the Rhode Island Division of Purchases Website (<http://www.purchasing.ri.gov>) and the Board of Governors Website (www.ribghe.org/procurementregs113006.pdf) apply as the governing conditions for any contract or purchase order I/we may receive from the University of Rhode Island, including the offer contained herein.

___ 11 I/we certify that the bidder: (i) is not identified on the General Treasurer's list, created pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 37-2.5-3, as a person or entity engaging in investment activities in Iran described in § 37-2.5-2(b); and (ii) is not engaging in any such investment activities in Iran.

___ 12 If the product is subject to Department of Commerce Export Administration Regulations (EAR) or International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR), please provide the Export Control Classification Number (ECCN) or the US Munitions List (USML) Category: _____

___ 13 I/we certify that the above information is correct and complete.

IF YOU HAVE ANSWERED "YES" TO QUESTIONS #1 – 3 OR IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO CERTIFY YES TO QUESTIONS #4 – 11 and 13 OF THE FOREGOING, PROVIDE DETAILS/EXPLANATION IN AN ATTACHED STATEMENT. INCOMPLETE CERTIFICATION FORMS SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION OF OFFER.

Signature below commits vendor to the attached offer and certifies (1) that the offer has taken into account all solicitation amendments, (2) that the above statements and information are accurate and that vendor understands and has complied with the requirements set forth herein.

Vendor's Signature: _____ Bid Number: _____ Date: _____
(Person Authorized to enter into contracts; signature must be in ink) (if applicable)

Print Name and Title of Company official signing offer Telephone Number

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BIDDER (NAME OF FIRM)

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SHIP TO:
 URI CENTRAL RECEIVING
 HRL WAREHOUSE
 563 PLAINS ROAD
 KINGSTON, RI 02881
 ATTN: MIKE McDONALD

BID NO: 100144

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INSTRUCTIONS:

IF BIDDING ON ANY ITEM, THE ENTIRE BID MUST BE RETURNED. THE PRICE COLUMN ON THE RIGHT WILL BE DETACHED TO CREATE A BID TABULATION SPREAD SHEET FOR THE "OFFICIAL BID ANALYSIS", THEREFORE:

- A. VENDOR NAME MUST APPEAR IN BOTH COLUMNS ON "EVERY" PAGE UNDER THE WORDS "BIDDER"
- B. PRICE COLUMNS MUST CONTAIN "EXACTLY" THE SAME INFORMATION.
- C. ANY SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION MUST BE REPEATED IN "BOTH" COLUMNS.
- D. TO ASSURE THAT OFFERS ARE CONSIDERED ON TIME, EACH OFFER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH SPECIFIC BID/RFP NUMBER (PROVIDED ABOVE), DATE AND TIME OF OPENING MARKED IN THE UPPER LEFT HAND CORNER OF ENVELOPE. EACH BID/OFFER MUST BE SUBMITTED IN SEPARATE SEALED ENVELOPES:

MAIL TO: COURIER:
 UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
 P.O. BOX 1773 PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
 PURCHASING DEPARTMENT DINING SERVICES DISTRIBUTION CENTER
 PLAINS ROAD 581 PLAINS ROAD
 KINGSTON, RI 02881 KINGSTON, RI 02881-2010

DOCUMENTS MISDIRECTED TO OTHER STATE LOCATIONS OR WHICH ARE NOT PRESENT IN THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND PURCHASING DEPARTMENT AT THE TIME OF OPENING FOR WHATEVER CAUSE WILL BE DEEMED TO BE LATE AND WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS REQUIREMENT, THE OFFICIAL TIME AND DATE SHALL BE THAT OF THE TIME CLOCK IN THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND PURCHASING DEPARTMENT. POSTMARKS SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED PROOF OF TIMELY SUBMISSION.

FAILURE TO COMPLETE FORM AS INSTRUCTED MAY BE GROUNDS FOR "DISQUALIFICATION".

GROUP PURCHASING ORGANIZATIONS (GPO):
 THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND IS A MEMBER OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 1) Educational & Institutional Cooperative Purchasing (E&I)
- 2) Provisita

DO NOT ATTACH QUOTES. QUOTATIONS SUBMITTED WITH BID RESPONSES WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. ALL BID RESPONSES ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ATTACHED BID SPECIFICATIONS AND THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS:
 - <http://www.rhbghe.org/procurementegs113006.pdf>

The University of Rhode Island requires the delivered price for two different sizes of Dormitory Mattresses per the attached: URI-4358-06 Dated 6/12/2014 Specifications and in compliance with the attached University's Mattress- Flame Test Requirements/ Flammability Performance-Open Flame Test. The order on this bid will meet the immediate needs of the University of Rhode Island for the start of the new school year. The State of Rhode Island is currently bidding MPA#37-Mattresses within which the URI specifications and unique Flammability Test requirements have been included. Future orders will be placed utilizing this MPA# 37.

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1	Size 36" X 80" Mattress Per Attached Specs. <u>400 must deliver the week of 8/03/15</u> <u>500 must deliver the week of 8/10/15</u> <u>500 must deliver the week of 8/17/15</u> Manufacturer: Model:	1400	EA.	\$	\$	\$	\$	1
2	Size 54" X 80" Mattress Per Attached Specs. <u>Order must deliver the week of 8/17/15</u> Manufacturer: Model:	75	EA.	\$	\$	\$	\$	2
OPTIONAL:								
3	Size 36" X 80" Mattress Per Attached Specs. <u>Order must deliver 8/03/15</u> Manufacturer: Model:	400	EA.	\$	\$	\$	\$	3
4	Size 36" X 80" Mattress Per Attached Specs. <u>Order must deliver the week of 8/10/15</u> Manufacturer: Model:	500	EA.	\$	\$	\$	\$	4
5	Size 36" X 80" Mattress Per Attached Specs. <u>Order must deliver the week of 8/17/15</u> Manufacturer: Model:	500	EA.	\$	\$	\$	\$	5

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ATTACHMENT "A"	ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UOM	UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED PRICE	UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED PRICE	ITEM NO.
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Samples:
 Tentatively awarded vendor (s) will be required to provide a sample of their quoted mattress (both sizes- if that applies) upon request, for Pre-Award URI Flammability Performance-Open Flame Test as well as randomly once awarded to spot test shipments using the same URI Flame Test Requirement. Both types of sample testing (pre-award and random) will require that one mattress will be used (of each size bid) and it must pass this URI Open Flame Test in the presence of the URI Fire Marshal. All mattresses tested will be replaced by the awarded vendor at no additional charge.

Bid price is NET FOB:DESTINATION and is tailgate delivery to the URI Kingston campus. Final delivery of each order may vary in specific location but is limited to the Kingston campus and all deliveries will be tailgate.

Contact Person: Mike McDonald (401) 874-2895

Award will be made by line or as a total low, based on what is in the best interest of the University.

TO: Debra Lee, Assnt. University Purchasing Agent
Purchasing

FROM: Joseph B. Mulcahey
Fire Safety Inspector
Fire/Life Safety Division
Public Safety

DATE: April 11, 2012

SUBJECT: MATTRESS - FLAME TEST REQUIREMENTS

When a University of Rhode Island Flammability Performance-Open Flame Test is performed on a test mattress these are the testing procedures used by this office.

The torch is held to the top of the mattress for 10 seconds. When the torch is removed the flame should go out immediately with all embers out within 30 seconds. The torch is held to the side of the mattress for 10 seconds with the same expectations as the 1st test. The torch is then held to the end of the mattress for 10 seconds with the same expectations as the 1st & 2nd test.

The mattress is then cut open each piece was tested separately. The outside covering, inside liner, and second inside liner is tested with the torch for 10 seconds. When the torch is removed the flame should go out immediately with all embers out within 30 seconds.

Thank you,

Joseph B. Mulcahey
Fire Inspector
Fire/Life Safety Division
Public Safety Department
University of Rhode Island
177 Plains Rd. Kingston, RI 02881
Office # (401) 874-7994
E-mail: murf@uri.edu

cc: Michael McDonald, Property Control and Supply Officer, Housing and Residential Life

University of Rhode Island
Housing and Residential Life

Standard Specification For
Mattresses, Bed, Innerspring, Flame Retardant

Specification No. URI-4358-06

Date: 06/12/2014

Supersedes: 7/18/88

1. SCOPE AND CLASSIFICATION:

1.1 Scope: This specification covers the construction and materials for innerspring mattresses composed of flame retardant material (inside and out), as designed herein.

1.2 Classification:

1.2.1 Type: Innerspring mattresses covered by this specification shall be one type, one grade and one of class construction.

Type: I Non Gatch Type

2. APPLICABLE SPECIFICATIONS

2.1 The following specifications, of the issue in effect on date of

Invitation to Bid, form a part of this specification:

Federal Specification V-M-81 (Grade of Felt) Sec 1.2.1

Veterans Administration Specification X-1636, Vinyl/Nylon Laminate

Federal Spec: VM96-Type 3

All Mattresses quoted must be in compliance with the flame retardant requirements of the University of Rhode Island as follows: All mattresses purchased by the University of Rhode Island must pass the University of Rhode Island Flame Test (per the attached flame test requirements). The Tentatively Awarded vendor must provide a sample of their quoted mattress(s) to the University of Rhode Island to be used to test using the URI Flame Test guidelines (both inside the mattress and outside). The University reserves the right to require a Tentatively Awarded vendor's mattress to pass this URI Flame Test to insure the safety of our students and to be considered for the award of the contract. These specifications were designed to meet our unique needs and they exceed the State of Rhode Island & Federal Mattress flammability resistance requirements.

3. REQUIREMENTS:

3.1 Size:

3.1.1 Size of mattresses shall be as designated in the Invitation to Bid.

3.2 Materials:

3.2.1 All materials used shall be of 100% new stock according to RI Bedding and Upholstered Furniture Laws.

3.2.2 **Tickling:** Style B- Vinyl/Nylon Laminate, Flame Resistant, Antistatic and Anti-Bacterial (10 oz. sq yd. minimum) Tickling shall be certified to be in full compliance with Veterans Administration Spec. X-1636 of the latest issue

3.2.3 Filling Material

Grade of Felt: 40% Cotton, 60% Linters in accordance with Grade C of Federal Spec. V-M-81 if the latest issue. There shall be not less than 18 lbs for the 36"x75" mattress, 20 lbs for 39"x75" mattress; 28 lbs for the 54"x75" mattress. (Add 2lbs per mattress; for 80" lengths). Filling shall be equally divided on each side and distributed into the mattress with the exception of 15% of the total weight which is to be used in the center third of each side for crowning the mattress.

3.3 Spring Unit Construction:

3.3.1 For Type I- Non Gatch Type- The unit shall be of knotted Coil construction with transverse rows of coils connected by helical running at right angles to the long axis of the unit. The coil wire shall be not less than 13 gauge. The helical wire shall be not less than 17 ½ gauge. There shall be a border wire around the entire perimeter of the unit on each side. The border wire shall be not less than 8 gauge.

3.3.1.1 Type I- Non Gatch Type- Size and Coil Count.

<u>Size (Inches)</u>	<u>Total Number of Coils, Min</u>
54x75	308
39x75	198
36x75	176
54x80	322
<u>Size (Inches)</u>	<u>Total number of Coils, Min.</u>
39x80	207
36x80	184

3.3.3 Coils- Coils shall be thoroughly heat treated so as to have maximum of 3/16" set when fully compressed. Height of coils shall be 5" plus or minus ¼"

3.3.4 Insulators- Entire area of both sides of spring units to be covered with Perm-A-Lator wire insulators with a maximum wire spacing of 1-1/4". Over the wire insulators shall be placed perimeter sized rubberized fiber pad insulators, 2.5 oz. Per sq. ft, or approved equal, hog-ringed to each side of the spring unit.

3.3.6 Panels- Each top and bottom-ticking panel shall have a 5" wide flame retardant flange, which meets DOC-FF-4-72. The flange shall be double needle stitched to all sides. The flange in turn shall be inner trolled over the insulators securely fastened to each and every perimeter coil to prevent any movement of upholstery.

Each top and bottom-ticking panel shall consist of not more than one longitudinal strip (no seams). Stripes shall run lengthwise. Stitching of top and bottom panels shall be sewn to pre-built stitched border with 5/8" fire retardant biding tape; eight stitches per inch.

3.6 Finish: Mattress shall be well-finished, clean, and free from defects materially affecting appearance or service. Workmanship shall conform to the best trade practice.

4. SAMPLING, INSPECTION AND TEST PROCEDURES:

4.1 Order Sampling- The successful bidder shall allow the University of Rhode Island the right to open for inspection 1% of the mattresses delivered to determine compliance with specifications. Rejection of random Sample (s) shall be grounds for rejection of the entire shipment. Mattresses opened for inspection and testing shall be replaced by the contractor at no cost to the University.

4.2 Inspection- The mattresses shall have label attached to conform with the legal requirements of the State of Rhode Island. Mattresses shall be subject to inspection for compliance with the law by the Inspection Division of the RI Department of Business Regulation which is responsible for the enforcement of the statues regulating the manufacture and sale of articles of bedding or upholstered furniture. Inspection may be done at the destination or at the place of manufacture.

4.3 Testing- Flammability Performance- per the "University of Rhode Island Mattress Flame Test Requirements" (dated 4/11/2012) attached.

5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY:

5.1 Dating: All mattresses delivered under this specification shall bear the Date of Manufacture.

5.2 Packing: Each mattress shall be individually bagged or wrapped in clear plastic in a manner commonly used in vendor's transportation or commercial transportation so constructed as to insure acceptance and safe delivery to the location for in the contract or purchase order.

This specification shall, until revised or rescinded, apply to each future purchase and contract for the commodity described herein.