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FINAL TENDER SPECIFICATION
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Document Purpose

This volume establishes the common requirements governing the supply, manufacture, delivery, installation, inspection, commissioning, protection and handover of all FF&E, specialist theatre furniture Volumes 2-10.

IMPORTANT - REFERENCE IMAGES: All sample pictures in this specification are illustrative design-intent references only. They do not prescribe a brand, manufacturer or proprietary product. Bidders may offer an equivalent product that meets or exceeds the stated dimensions, materials, performance, durability, accessibility and warranty requirements, subject to approval of samples and technical submissions.

DIMENSIONAL RULE: Dimensions are nominal tender dimensions. Unless a tighter requirement is stated, loose furniture may vary by approximately +/-5% where ergonomics and room clearances are maintained. Built-in items, counters, consoles and wall-fixed items must be site verified before manufacture and coordinated with approved architectural and services drawings.

1. Scope and Coordination

The contractor shall provide a complete, coordinated and operational installation. Verify site dimensions, access routes, lift/loading constraints, finished floor levels, wall build-ups, power/service interfaces and final room layouts before manufacture. No manufacture of bespoke or fixed items may commence before approval of shop drawings.

2. Equivalent Products and Competition

Reference images establish design intent only and shall not be interpreted as a nominated brand. Products of equal or superior quality, durability, dimensions and performance shall be accepted subject to technical compliance and approval. Deviations must be clearly scheduled.

3. Dimensional Requirements

All dimensions are in millimetres unless stated otherwise. Nominal loose-furniture dimensions may vary by approximately +/-5% where functional clearances and ergonomics are maintained. Fixed joinery, counters, consoles, wall-mounted items and artwork supports require site verification and approved shop drawings.

4. Materials and Workmanship

Timber/board components shall be moisture-resistant commercial grade with durable edge treatment. Metal frames shall be welded, dressed and corrosion protected. Upholstery shall be contract grade, cleanable and appropriate to public/theatre use. Glass shall be safety glass where exposed to impact.

5. Samples, Mock-ups and Reference Images

Submit one physical sample or representative sample panel for each major furniture family and all proposed fabrics, laminates, veneers, powder-coat colours, solid surfaces and hardware. Bespoke counters, vanities and theatre consoles may require a mock-up before production.

6. Shop Drawings

Shop drawings shall show overall dimensions, construction, materials, fixing, cable management, interfaces, access panels, hardware, finish codes and service coordination. Drawings shall be submitted sufficiently early to avoid procurement delay.

7. Accessibility and Ergonomics

Public counters shall include an accessible lowered section where indicated. Furniture layouts shall preserve accessible circulation and transfer spaces. Seating shall be stable and appropriate for diverse users. Final placement shall not obstruct statutory routes or fire equipment.

8. Quality Assurance

The supplier shall maintain a documented quality management process covering incoming materials, manufacture, finishing, packing, delivery, installation, snagging and close-out. ISO 9001 certification is advantageous but an equivalent documented quality system may be accepted.

9. Delivery, Protection and Installation

Protect completed building works. Use non-marking handling equipment. Furniture shall be delivered clean, complete and undamaged, assembled by competent personnel, levelled and aligned. Packaging shall be removed and responsibly disposed of/recycled.

10. Warranties and Defects

Unless a schedule states otherwise, provide a minimum five-year warranty on furniture workmanship and structural components. Manufacturer warranties for proprietary equipment shall be transferred to the Employer. Defects shall be corrected without cost to the Employer.

11. Asset Register and Handover

Provide an electronic asset register with item code, description, quantity, room/location, manufacturer, model, serial number where applicable, warranty period and maintenance requirements. Asset labels shall be durable and discreet.

12. Pricing

Tender rates shall include supply, manufacture, delivery, off-loading, assembly, installation, fixings, samples, shop drawings, commissioning, protection, cleaning, warranties and all incidental work required for a complete installation unless specifically excluded.

Tender Design Basis

The dimensional and functional requirements in this specification establish the required tender standard. The project schedules govern this tender.

REFERENCE IMAGE BASIS: Visual references were selected/reworked against international theatre backstage, professional performance-facility and five-star hospitality furniture precedents. The written specification, dimensions, durability and performance requirements govern over the image.

Bidder: _____ Authorised signatory: _____

Date: _____