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COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

UTENSILS, COOKING, CORROSION-RESISTING STEEL

The General Services Administration has authorized the use of this commercial item description (CID), for all federal agencies.

1. SCOPE

1.1 Scope. This commercial item description (CID) covers corrosion-resisting steel cooking utensils for use with field food service equipment.

2. CLASSIFICATION

2.1 Classification. The cooking utensils shall be of the following types, styles, and sizes as specified (see 7.1):

Type I - Fork, food preparation, 2-tine
Type II - Spoon, food service, basting
Type III - Food turner

Style 1 - Handle with hook
Style 2 - Handle with hole

Size 1 - 15 inches long
Size 2 - 21 inches long

3. SALIENT CHARACTERISTICS

3.1 Construction. The utensils covered by this CID shall be made of 300 series stainless steel conforming to ASTM A 240. The fork shall be made of a minimum of 13-gauge and the spoon

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and food turner shall be made of a minimum of 16-gauge. All utensils shall be of one-piece construction. The turner blade should be 4½ inches long by 3¾ inches wide ± ⅜ inch. The Style 1 hook should have approximately 5/16 inch radius. The Style 2 handle hole should be approximately 5/16 inch diameter. See Figure 1 for general shapes and approximate dimensions of utensils.

3.2 Finish. Utensils shall have a 2B or smoother finish, except for Navy use, which shall have a No. 4 or smoother finish (see 7.1).

3.3 Standard compliance. The utensils shall comply with the requirements of NSF International Standard No. 2 (see 5.2).

3.4 Metric products. Products manufactured to metric dimensions will be considered on an equal basis with those manufactured using inch-pound units, provided they fall within the tolerances specified using conversion tables contained in the latest revision of ASTM E 380, and all other requirements of this document are met. If a product is manufactured to metric dimensions and those dimensions exceed the tolerances specified in the inch-pound units, a request should be made to the contracting officer to determine if the product is acceptable. The contracting officer has the option of accepting or rejecting the product.

3.5 Workmanship. The finished utensils shall be clean and shall not contain any burrs, slivers, sharp edges, or rough die, tool, gouge, or grind marks. The finished item shall not be fractured, buckled, dented, bent, punctured, malformed, or otherwise damaged.

4. REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

4.1 Contractor recovered materials. The offeror/contractor is encouraged to use recovered materials to the maximum extent practicable, in accordance with paragraph 23.403 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR).

5. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

5.1 Product conformance. The products provided shall meet the salient characteristics of this commercial item description; shall conform to the producer's own drawings, specifications, standards and quality assurance practices, and be the same product that has been sold in the commercial marketplace for over one year, or is the same product that has successfully been delivered to the Government on a previous contract or purchase order. The Government reserves the right to require proof of such conformance prior to first delivery and thereafter as may be otherwise provided for under the provisions of the contract.

The following market acceptability criteria are necessary to document the quality of the product to be provided under this CID.

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a. The company producing the item must have been producing a product meeting the requirements of this CID for at least 2 years.

b. The company must have sold 2000 items meeting this CID, in the commercial or government marketplace over the past 2 years.

5.2 NSF International standard compliance. Prior to approval of the first shipment, the contractor shall submit satisfactory evidence to the contracting officer or his authorized representative that the items conform to the applicable requirements of NSF International Standard No. 2. Acceptable evidence shall be a certified test report from a recognized independent testing laboratory acceptable to the medical authority of the service for which the items are being procured, stating that the items have been tested and conform to NSF International Standard No. 2. Acceptance of the independent testing laboratory to the medical authority shall be based on the laboratory submitting to the contracting officer a written letter from either the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA), Gaithersburg, MD or the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), Washington, DC stating that the independent test laboratory has been evaluated and is accredited for testing and evaluating food service equipment for conformance with applicable NSF International Standards. Accreditation of the independent testing laboratory must be completed prior to the item testing.

Independent testing laboratories currently acceptable to the U.S. Army Medical Authority include:

NSF International
Ann Arbor, MI

Underwriters Laboratory (UL)
Northbrook, IL

Engineering Testing Laboratory (ETL)
Cortland, NY

6. PACKAGING

6.1 Packaging. Preservation, packing and marking requirements shall be as specified in the contract or purchase order (see 7.1)

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7. NOTES

7.1. Ordering Data. Purchasers should select the preferred options permitted herein and include the following information in procurement documents (if applicable).

a. Title, number and date of this document
b. Type, style and size required (see 2.1)
c. When a No. 4 finish is required for Navy procurements (see 3.2)
d. Packaging requirements (see 6.1)

7.2 Sources for non-government association documents.

ASTM STANDARDS:

A 240 - Heat-Resisting Chromium and Chromium-Nickel Stainless Steel Plate, Sheet, and Strip for Pressure Vessels.

E 380 - Use of the International System of Units (SI) (The Modernized Metric System)

(Application for copies of ASTM standards should be addressed to the American Society for Testing and Materials, 100 Barr Harbor Drive, West Conshohocken, PA 19428).

NSF INTERNATIONAL

NSF International Standard No. 2 - Food Service Equipment and Related Products, Components and Materials

(Application for copies of NSF International Standard No. 2 should be addressed to NSF International, 3475 Plymouth Road, P. O. Box 130140, Ann Arbor, MI 48113-0140).

7.3 Sources of supply. Manufacturers whose products are known to meet the requirements of this CID are listed below; however, competition is not limited to these companies.

The Vollrath Company, Inc.
P. O. Box 611
Sheboygan, WI 53082-0611

Watson Food Service
3712 Hagger Way
Dallas, TX 75209

Welbuilt Co.
Lincoln Food Service Products
1111 North Hadley Road
Fort Wayne, IN 46801-1229

Harold Leonard & Co.
600 Green Lane
P.O. Box 3127
Union, NJ 07083

Polar Ware Co.
2806 North 15th Street
Sheboygan, WI 53083

BABCO International, Inc.
For American Metal Craft Inc.
P. O. Box 27187
Tucson, AZ 85726

7.4 National Stock Numbers (NSN). The following is a list of NSNs assigned which corresponds

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to this document. The list may not be indicative of all possible NSNs associated with the document.

Type I, Size 1, Style 1	7340-00-223-7791
Type I, Size 2, Style 1	7340-00-223-7792
Type II, Size 1, Style 1	
Type II, Size 2, Style 1	7340-00-223-7800
Type III, Size 1, Style 1	
Type III, Size 2, Style 1	7330-00-256-2158

7.5 Part identification number (PIN). The PINs to be used for items required by this CID are created as follows:

AA 52204 -1 -2 -2 (Example of a PIN: AA52204-122)

Size 1: - 15 inches long
2: - 21 inches long

Style: 1- Handle with hook
2- Handle with hole

Type: 1 - I-Fork, food preparation
2 - II-Spoon, food service, basting
3 - III-Food turner

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Designates a Commercial Item Description

MILITARY INTERESTS: CIVIL AGENCY COORDINATING ACTIVITY:

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Navy - SA
Air Force - 99

GSA - FSS

PREPARING ACTIVITY:

ARMY - GL

Review Activities:

Army - MD1, QM1
Air Force - 35, 84
Navy - MC, CG

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