

## **F.A.Q**

### **How do I apply?**

Please complete a vendor packet and return it via email. Please do not call our office. If you have a question that is not answered here, feel free to send an email and we will send you an answer. We typically respond within one to two days.

### **What is retainage?**

Retainage is a portion of the agreed upon contract price deliberately withheld until the work is substantially complete to assure that contractor or subcontractor will satisfy its obligations and complete a construction project.

### **What is 15-day net paid weekly?**

A 15-day net means that you will be paid approximately two weeks after the start of the project and then weekly from then on minus any retainage and agreed upon expenses. Retainage is paid at the end of the project build with the final invoice.

### **Why do I need a background check?**

Many of our projects are on government property. Some of our projects require subcontractors to obtain TWIC cards; other projects, the owners want peace of mind knowing that the individuals working on their properties have been properly vetted.

### **How long is a typical project?**

Each project is unique. Some projects can take as little as a few days from start to finish, and other projects can take six weeks or more. Everything depends on the size and scope of the project. Subcontractors will never be assigned work that is outside their ability and comfort level.

### **I turned in my Vendor Packet, but haven't heard anything back, why not?**

Although we appreciate every individual that turns in a packet, not everyone is qualified to build for Garden Center Maintenance. We select those vendors that we feel are best suited to perform this type of specialized construction and extend them a contract.

**Do I have to travel?**

You do not have to travel, but those who choose to work outside their typical coverage area will have an opportunity for larger projects and greater volume.

**Do you guarantee a certain amount of work?**

We work directly for the manufacturer, and occasionally for the end user. As a result, we cannot guarantee we will have a project in your area. We do take on all types of greenhouse work including 420 friendly work, repairs and service. We also have a healthy fabric tension side that includes constructing and servicing buildings; as a result, we have ample projects across the United States.

**Do you work in all 50 States?**

We have worked in 47 States and Puerto Rico. We have completed over 2000 builds. Currently, we service 47 States. We do not accept projects in California.

**Do I need experience?**

We do not require specialized experience, but we do require basic construction knowledge and principals.

**Do I need my own tools?**

Yes, you will need to provide your own tools to complete the project. All materials are provided for you except for any concrete. Not every job requires concrete; therefore, we expect the subcontractor to read the print to determine if this item will be required to complete the project or not. We can assist with this purchase using our discount if the subcontractor desires, with the cost deducted from the final payment.

**Do you have a price sheet?**

NO we do not have a set price sheet. All projects are provided on a flat rate contract. Each contract is a unique stand-alone contract. No two jobs will be identical, nor will the payment be identical. You must understand this IS NOT P&P – WE DO NOT HAVE A STRAIGHT PAYMENT SCALE - Our payment varies from job to job; therefore, our subcontractors' payments will vary as well. Just because we complete a 30 X 60 greenhouse for XX dollars this week does not mean that we will receive XX dollars for the same greenhouse next week. Every contract is a stand-alone contract.

