SUBJECT: STANDARD CONTRACT FORMS

Members of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada and the Canadian Construction Association have spent a great deal of time and effort over a period of years in developing mutually acceptable standard contract forms for use in the construction industry right across Canada. These forms present standards that are known and readily understood by the profession and the people in the industry and are recognized as fairest means of allocating risk between parties to a construction project.

The joint MAA/WCA Committee has had their recommendations approved by the Council of the MAA and the Executive of the Winnipeg Construction Association that only current issues of original version format or sealed electronic versions of Canadian Construction Documents Committee and Canadian Construction Association Standard Contract forms should be used in Manitoba and general contractors should expect to sign only Standard Forms. Contractors in Manitoba are strongly encouraged to use standard construction documents. Any changes or modifications to the standard form contract should be in the form of Supplementary Conditions and attached as a schedule or appendix to the standard form contract. Contractors should carefully consider how Supplementary Conditions change the meaning of the standard form contract to ensure that these changes are acceptable to them.

Reference:
CCDC 23 2018 – A Guide to Calling Bids and Awarding Construction Contracts
CCA 51 2008 – Guide to Calling Bids and Awarding Subcontracts