

# Will the new rules on tax avoidance and procurement kic...

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The [announcement on tax avoidance and government procurement](#) made today includes an interesting paragraph that says a company bidding for a contract has to disclose when bidding for a government contract worth more than £2 million:

*A failed avoidance scheme which the supplier was involved in and which was, or should have been, notified under the Disclosure of Tax Avoidance Scheme (DOTAS) rules.*

Now we know that the Big 4 accountants have all filed DOTAS disclosures. Some of those schemes have failed.

Will this block them, and many big firms of lawyers as well, from government contracts?

I think this the acid test for this rule.

But I'm not holding my breath.