2025 WA Regional Business Excellence Awards Terms and Conditions



Submission Standards

- 1. All entrants must be endorsed and approved to enter by a RCCIWA member organisation.
- 2. All entrants must have won an aligned category at their local business awards, hosted by an RCCIWA Member during the 2024 calendar year. The award category names may differ, however as long as the business meets the criteria of the 2025 WARBEA category they are permitted to enter.
- All entrants must be regionally located. Businesses that have offices or branches in other locations are acceptable, however the business must have been started in a regional location and have its head office based in that regional location.
- 4. Entry is free.
- 5. All entrants must hold a valid Australian Business Number ("ABN") for the entity in which their submission relates.
- 6. All businesses must have been trading for a minimum of two years except for those entering the Start Up Business Category.
- 7. All business entrants must be for-profit, non ASX listed companies for all categories except the Excellence in For Purpose category (NFP).
- 8. By submitting for the Awards, you are verifying that all information provided is a true and correct representation of all your activities.
- You agree to notify RCCIWA as soon as practicable should you have or become aware of any actual or potential conflict of interest with any aspect of the Awards.
- 10. All entries must be made via <u>RCCIWA (awardsplatform.com)</u> Note that judging will take place only via this platform.
- 11. The eligibility criteria form part of these terms.
- 12. All information provided will be to the deadline date from each entrant's original awards event. (ie if the cut off was June 30th 2024 for your original entry to your local awards, then only information to that date applies)
- 13. The applicant must adhere to the word restriction placed on each question. Any word count above the limit will not be considered in your submission.
- 14. You must answer all the questions. Only completed applications will be considered.
- 15. Entries for all categories must be lodged by 5pm Friday February 7th 2025.
- 16. Finalists will be notified directly from Friday February 28th 2025.
- 17. Verification of claims made within your submission may be required in some circumstances and judges reserve the right to request records pertaining to any of your responses within your submission.
- 18. Failure to provide validating records if requested by the judging panel may result in your answer for the relevant section/s being excluded from the judging process.



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19. By entering the awards, if you are a finalist, you are strongly encouraged to attend the Gala Awards presentation which will be held on Saturday March 29th 2025 at The Westin Perth https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/perwi-the-westin-perth/overview/

Promotion

- 20. You agree that we may use your logo, business identity, details about your business or personal identity in any way in any material which promotes the Awards or the products or services of us or our Sponsors.
- 21. If we do use any of the materials listed above, you grant us a royalty free, perpetual and irrevocable licence to use the materials for promotional purposes.

Privacy & Confidentiality

- 22. Any information disclosed by you within the course of the Awards process will be made available to the panel of judges and may be accessed by RCCIWA employees when their duties require. This information will be will not be released to any other parties within the course of this process except as required by or allowed for by law, or with your express consent.
- 23. All appointed judges agree to strict confidentiality terms, prohibiting the disclosure of any details contained within your submission to any other parties as a condition of being appointed as a judge.

Judging

- 24. RCCIWA is responsible for coordination of the judging process including appointment of external judges, chosen at the discretion of the CEO of RCCIWA.
- 25. The judges will exclude from assessment any information within an answer which exceeds the prescribed word count.
- 26. Judges may eliminate entries due to being an incomplete entry or inability to meet the Criteria.
- 27. The judges' decision is final, and no communication will be entered in to regarding the judges' decision.

Event Sponsorship

28. Organisations who sponsor or partner in the event, cannot enter

Liability

29. To the extent permitted by law, we will not be liable for any loss or damage, or personal injury suffered or sustained in connection with the Awards. You will indemnify us and our officers, employees or agents against any loss or liability from any claim or action that arises as a result of a breach of these terms by you, or your use of the materials or information supplied by you under these Terms.

I hereby declare that the information provided is true and correct. I also understand that any wilful dishonesty may render for refusal of this submission and automatically disqualify for all submission entries for the 2025 WA Regional Business Excellence Awards.

