

NEW ZEALAND ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE AWARDS

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NEW ZEALAND ENGINEERING INNOVATOR OF THE YEAR

The New Zealand Engineering Innovator¹ of the Year Award recognises an engineer, an engineering technologist, or a team engaged in engineering activities, who has/have demonstrated a commitment to innovation in engineering. Judging is according to the following criteria:

- potential for uptake of the innovations made
- potential to improve the quality of life of relevant communities
- the nature of the new knowledge underpinning the innovation
- creativity and standing as world best practice engineering

The Award consists of a trophy and certificate presented to an individual engineer, engineering technologist, or the key individual members of a team.

Entries and all supporting material must be received by 5.00pm 1 July.

Once you have registered at www.nzeeawards.org.nz, you will be provided with the links and access key to enable you to make your entry and upload your submission.

Questions can be directed to enquiries@nzeeawards.org.nz

¹ Innovation in the Shorter Oxford Dictionary is defined as "the introduction of a new product [or process] on to the market".

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF ENTRY (APPLY TO ALL AWARDS)

- a) Should either the judges or Awards' organisers request further information for purposes of judging or publicity this will be provided by the date requested or the entry will be disqualified.
- b) Should the judges wish to visit the site of an activity or ask questions of any person involved with an entry all reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate the visit and answer any questions posed by the judges.
- c) The entrant has obtained the permission of all relevant parties to the entry to proceed with the entry.
- d) The entrant gives permission to use any of the materials provided for publicity and promotional purposes.
- e) The entrant must be present at the formal presentation ceremony in Wellington in November should the entrant be announced as a finalist.
- f) The New Zealand Association of Engineering Organisations reserve the right to make nominations for any Award, and to nominate any entry for consideration in an Award for which it was not entered, in addition to the one in which it was entered.
- g) All entries should be limited to 20 written A4 sides per submission including all supporting documentation. Photos may be submitted in addition to this.
- h) The judges have the discretion not to give an Award if none of the entries are considered of sufficient standard.
- i) The entrant accepts that the judges' decisions are final and that no correspondence will be entered into.

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- a) All entries for the New Zealand Engineering Innovator of the Year Award must be uploaded to the www.nzeeawards.org.nz web site by 5.00pm on 1 July 2010.
- b) The entrant is expected to meet the costs of participation including attendance at the presentation ceremony.
- c) Where a team is entered into the award the team should be limited to no more than four individuals.

ENTRIES TO INCLUDE

- a) An entry form completed on line using the links provided once you have registered your interest www.nzeeawards.org.nz
- b) Supporting documentation annotated to aid reference from the document provided in a). The more information you provide the easier it will be for the judges to make a decision. Any information that must be kept confidential should be so marked.
- c) A high quality digital photo that can be used for publicity purposes. In the case of a team it would be preferred a photograph of the entire team. These will be uploaded to the website along with your submission.
 - jpeg or tif format only – no more than 1MB per image file
- d) Two referees' letters/testimonials – the referees should make reference to each of the judging criteria where appropriate. The judges may choose to contact referees for further information or clarification.
- e) Document specifications for entries. Please ensure that your entries comply with the following specifications to aid the judges in viewing your entry online.

- Font: Times New Roman or Arial
- Font size: 12pt
- Font colour: Black text on white background
- Line spacing: 1.5
- Document orientation: A4 Portrait
- File Format: word or pdf
- File Size: 2 MB maximum

JUDGING

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The judges will consider indicators of innovative behaviour, for example patent/s and/or licence/s issued in the entrant/s names, recognition by other organisations (particularly international) as leaders in their area of practice, the track record of creating new solutions to engineering problems, and technical leadership in their area of engineering practice.