



## **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

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These conditions include information on the requirements for nomination for any of the Awards offered by the Australian Water Association (AWA).

- 1) All Awards, aside from the Student Water Prize and the Stockholm Junior Water Prize, are open to AWA members only.
  - a) For organisational awards, the lead organisation/s must be a current Corporate Member.
    - i) Any partner organisations listed in the submission must also be a current Corporate Member to receive recognition if announced as a finalist and/or winner. This recognition includes the organisation/s being listed as a finalist on award collateral (online and print), on email communications announcing the finalists and/or winners, on any certificates and/or trophies, on the awards visual presentation (if applicable) and on media release statements.
    - ii) If the partner organisation/s listed in the submission are not current Corporate AWA Members, they will not receive the recognition as listed above. Minimal recognition will be provided.
  - b) For individual awards, the nominee must be a current individual AWA Member or an employee of a current Corporate Member.
- 2) Nominations must be received by the applicable AWA Office by 5.00pm local state time on the closing date specified. If the closing date falls on a weekend, the last day for nominations will be 5pm on the first business day after the date specified.
- 3) AWA at its discretion may choose to extend the closing date. All Members would be notified via email of any extension and a notice placed on the AWA website.
- 4) An award may not be awarded at both a State and National level if:
  - a) There is only one entry received;
  - b) The calibre of the entries is not of a sufficient standard to meet the criteriaThis will be at the discretion of the Honours and Award Sub Committee.
- 5) Within 24 hours of the closing time entrants will be notified by phone or email that their nomination has been received.
- 6) To be eligible, all nominations must be submitted online via the online forms.
- 7) Individuals cannot be nominated for the Young Water Professional of the Year and the Water Professional of the Year Award in the same year.
- 8) Winners of the Young Water Professional of the Year or the Water Professional of the Year Award may not be nominated for either of those awards a second time.
- 9) Organisations that have not previously won or been highly commended are permitted to renominate the same project or program up to a maximum of three times, but a new nomination is required each year. Such a nomination is unlikely to be successful unless it is accompanied by new material attesting to the significance of the project or program or further developments within the project or program that are significant. Organisations are encouraged to wait until projects or programs are completed, or clear

results are available before nominating. There is no bar to an organisation that has won an award or been highly commended in an award category from nominating a different project or program in the same category in subsequent years.

- 10) It is the sole responsibility of the nominator to determine eligibility against individual award criteria and guidelines.
- 11) The information entrants provide will be used by the Australian Water Association for the purpose of assessing this nomination. AWA may at its discretion independently verify claims made with respect to the selection criteria for any award.
- 12) AWA at its discretion can choose to allocate an entry into more than one category, should another category be deemed applicable. If this occurs, the Nominee will be notified of this and be given the opportunity to respond to any additional criteria.
- 13) An entrant is solely responsible for ensuring that all necessary copyright and other relevant rights and authorisations for an entrant's nomination have been obtained prior to the nomination being submitted. AWA takes no responsibility for any failure by an entrant to obtain the necessary authorisations.
- 14) Current AWA Directors and AWA Full-time employees cannot be nominated or enter any individual awards conducted by the Association.
- 15) AWA accepts no responsibility whatsoever for late, lost or misdirected nominations whatever the cause.
- 16) All nominations become and remain the property of the Australian Water Association.
- 17) Nominees agree that AWA may use the nominations and details of nominations and entrants for promotional and publicity purposes. Entrants consent to their nominations being used in all media
- 18) It is a condition of accepting any award or award that the winner agrees to be photographed, interviewed and/or filmed for use in any promotional, marketing or other creative initiative arranged by the Australian Water Association or its agents.
- 19) Only one winner per category will be awarded by the judges.
- 20) The judges' decision in selecting each category winner is final. No correspondence or discussion will be entered into regarding the judging process or any outcome reached.
- 21) The Australian Water Association is not liable for any loss or damage whatsoever that is suffered (including but not limited to indirect or consequential loss) or for any personal injury suffered or sustained in connection with any of the awards offered except for any liability which cannot be excluded by law. It is a condition of accepting the award that a finalist and/or winner may be required to sign a legal release in a form determined by AWA at its absolute discretion.
- 22) AWA accepts no responsibility for any incorrect or inaccurate information arising from the conduct of these awards that may be posted on its website or websites hosted by third parties, or in any other media regardless of the cause, or which may arise as a result of any technical error in the administration of the awards. AWA assumes no responsibility for any error, omission, interruption, deletion, defect, delay in operation or transmission, communications line failure, theft or destruction or unauthorised access to or alteration of nominations.
- 23) The Conditions are subject to change by AWA at any time without notice.
- 24) AWA may terminate any award without notice. In such an eventuality the reason(s) would be posted on the AWA's website. In the event of such termination, AWA may elect not to award any award associated with the terminated award. No compensation whatsoever will be payable by the AWA to any person or organisation which had or had intended to submit a nomination for the terminated award.
- 25) People and/or organisations not willing to agree to these conditions are ineligible to enter, or win or receive any awards.
- 26) The Australian Water Awards are governed by the Honours and Award Sub Committee of the AWA Board of Directors.