



Terms and Conditions

Business Excellence Awards 2022

Welcome

We are very excited to bring this region the opportunity to recognise and celebrate excellence in business, we want to provide all entrants with a formal process to engage in thoughtful business planning, goal setting and to receive feedback from a judging panel as an impartial set of eyes.

Instructions on how to enter the Awards categories can be found at <https://mwcci.com.au/2022-business-excellence-awards-submission-information/> These sections also form part of the terms.

Submission standards

1. All entrants must hold a valid Australian Business Number (“ABN”) for the entity in which their submission relates.
2. Respective entities must conduct methodical and significant business-like operations within the Mid West region and hold a registered place of business within the region for the duration of the Awards process.
3. By submitting for the Awards, you are verifying that all information provided is a true and correct representation of all your activities.
4. You agree to notify the Mid West CCI as soon as practicable should you have or become aware of any actual or potential conflict of interest with any aspect of the Awards.
5. 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.
6. You must answer all the questions. Only completed applications will be considered.
7. Entries for all categories must be lodged by 25 September 2022 via the Mid West CCI’s online submission portal at <https://mwcci.com.au/business-excellence-awards-submission-form-2022/>
8. The CEO of the Mid West CCI reserves the right to allow requests for late submissions when exceptional circumstances exist and can be demonstrated.
9. If you have been selected as a Finalist and are invited to an interview, you must be available between Monday 3 October – Sunday 16 October 2022. This session can be face-to-face or via telephone or video call software Microsoft Teams. If you are unavailable for a session, you can appoint a representative. The interview times range from 7am – 8pm.
10. 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.
11. Failure to provide validating records where requested by the judging panel may result in your answer for the relevant section/s being excluded from the judging process.
12. By entering the awards, if you are a finalist, you are expected to attend the Awards which will be held on Saturday 12 November 2022.





Promotion

13. 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.
14. 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

15. 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 Mid West CCI 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.
16. 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.
17. Only the head judge, who is appointed from outside the Mid West region, will be viewing financials and will be signing a Confidentiality form.

Judging

18. The Mid West Chamber of Commerce and Industry is responsible for coordination of the judging process including appointment of external judges, chosen at the discretion of the CEO of the Mid West CCI.
19. The judges will exclude from assessment any information within an answer which exceeds the prescribed word count.
20. Judges may eliminate entries due to being an incomplete entry or inability to meet the Criteria.
21. The judges' decision is final, and no communication will be entered in to regarding the judges' decision.
22. The only role the CEO of the Mid West CCI has within the judging process is where, should there be any disagreement between judges and the head judge, the CEO of the Mid West CCI has the final say in the decision process.

Event Sponsorship

23. Organisations who sponsor an award cannot enter and compete in the category they sponsor but are eligible for entry into any others where eligibility criteria is met.
24. Any judges in the BEA 2022 cannot enter the awards and will exclude themselves from any judging with conflict of interest.
25. Any employee or board member of the Mid West CCI or the Mid West CCI organisation, cannot enter the awards.





Liability

26. 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. You irrevocably and unconditionally consents to all acts being done that would otherwise breach your Moral Rights.

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 Business Excellence Awards 2022.

