



THE LANDSCAPE — ASSOCIATION —

TERMS AND CONDITIONS TLA LANDSCAPE EXCELLENCE AWARDS

1. Entries will be accepted for judging from Members of the TLA who are financial at the time of judging.
2. Entrants submitting an apprentice for the "Apprentice of the Year" category must ensure the apprentice holds an active student membership. If selected as the winner, the apprentice must be available to participate in the study tour prize, subject to the chosen event and its scheduled dates.
3. Projects submitted must be completed within the last four (4) years and be situated within NSW or ACT.
4. Projects that have previously won an award may not be re-entered unless in a maintenance category, and then, not until three years have elapsed after winning.
5. Each project entered must comply with relevant legislative and statutory requirements. The entry must include the signed Contractor's Declaration to meet the criteria and be eligible for judging.
6. Any residential landscaping project over the value of \$20,000 must include the HBC (Home Building Compensation insurance) policy number.
7. Any residential landscape project that includes a swimming pool or spa pool, the Entrant must declare whether they constructed the swimming pool / spa pool (including their pool builders license no) and the total cost of the swimming pool or spa.
8. Photography – throughout the form photographs are requested to be uploaded. Digital images must meet the following specifications:
 - Minimum resolution of 300dpi (highest quality camera setting)
 - Format – jpeg or tif
 - a. Judging photographs - Demonstrate in detail the quality of the construction; such as close ups of gaps between stone in retaining walls, edging, straightness of lines, levels, paving etc.
 - b. Marketing photographs - These images should show the garden/construction as a whole in the landscape. Aspects of beauty and lifestyle can be demonstrated with these images which will be used for marketing purposes and during the Awards Ceremony.
9. Judging Video Files – video's are not compulsory

This video is for assisting the judging purposes (no longer than 5 minutes for Residential and 10 minutes for Commercial and Maintenance) which contains all technical aspects of the project including, but not limited to, close ups of joints, paving or construction materials relevant to the project that would give the judges a scope of the technicalities and workmanship.

NOTE 1: Videos may be edited for time constraints but may not be digitally enhanced with any software that manipulates colours or quality or applies filters and lighting effects.

NOTE 2: In the event a video is determined to have breached the criteria, above, the video will be ineligible for the judging process and may deem the award entry liable for penalties including, but not limited to, disqualification of the award entry and ineligibility to attend the event.
10. A minimum number of entries for each category will be determined by the Judging Panel for the category to be judged. The Judging Panel reserves the right to determine whether to judge a category and/or to re-categorise those entries to the next most suitable category without reference to the entrant. In this instance, discretion will be exercised and should, in the Judging Panel's opinion, if an issue with re-categorising exists, the entry fee (if applicable) for that category shall be refunded.
11. Any conflict of interest shall be declared between Conveners, Entrants, Judges, and TLA Board Members.
12. All entries received will be considered and the Judges will determine a ranking of the category based on the Judge's score.
13. Winners of the "of the Year" Awards will be awarded by the Judging Panel.
14. Entry Payment is non-refundable, excepting only as specified in Condition 7. Such payment is indication that these Conditions of Entry are understood and accepted.
15. The TLA reserves the right to refuse entries submitted after the closing dates.
16. Entries must be submitted with the project's owner's written authorisation. Members submitting their entry are responsible for securing this authorisation. The TLA Judging Panel may decide to inspect the project as part of the adjudication process and this authorisation allows them to do so. Without the Owner's authorisation, the entry will be deemed ineligible for judging.
17. The TLA reserves the right to publicise at its discretion any compliant entry within these Awards, without reference to the Contractor.
18. Entrants will accept the Judges' decisions as final. The TLA will not enter into any correspondence including social media regarding judging, judges scoring or comments.
19. All Members who submit an entry must have a representative attend the TLA Excellence Awards Ceremony and Gala Dinner. The representative is responsible for accepting or retrieving any awards on behalf of the member. If a ticket has not been purchased by a member who has entered the awards by the tickets sales closing date, the entry may be disqualified at the TLA's discretion and no refund will be offered.
20. The TLA and Award Entry Parties confirm that the conditions in this Agreement are valid, reasonable and are fair and equitable and any breach of these conditions may result in the aforementioned penalties including, but not limited to, disqualification and refusal to attend the ceremony. Both parties agree that termination of this Agreement is at the full discretion of the TLA. It is a condition of entry that entrants shall not have any action, cause of action, claim or demand against the TLA or person as a consequence of this Agreement or the termination of this Agreement, whether such claim arises pursuant to any applicable legislation, pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise at law.