



MASTER BUILDERS
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AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE 2026

ENTRY GUIDE

KEY DATES

ENTRIES OPEN ONLINE WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2025
ENTRIES CLOSE SUNDAY 1ST MARCH 2026

PROJECTS COMPLETED* 31ST AUGUST 2024 - 31 JANUARY
2026
JUDGING COMPLETED EARLY MAY TO EARLY JUNE

AWARDS CEREMONY SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST



ABOUT THE AWARDS

WHY ENTER?

The Master Builders Tasmania Awards for Excellence showcases and awards excellence in the residential and commercial building and construction industry.

Taking part demonstrates your commitment to quality workmanship and recognises you and your employees for their hard work, effort and dedication to our industry.

Being an entrant or winning an award provides you with recognition as an industry leader, someone who demonstrates exceptional craftsmanship, commitment to building excellence and who upholds the standard expected of being a Master Builder.

HOW TO ENTER

Submissions for the 2026 Awards for Excellence are to be completed online through the Master Builders Tasmania website.

www.mbatas.org.au

Online entries will open at 3.00pm on Wednesday 3rd December 2025 and close at 5.00pm on Sunday 1st March 2026.

Projects completed* between 31st August 2024 and 31st January 2026 will be eligible for entry.

ENTRY FEE

- \$660 for the first entry (includes two complimentary tickets)
- \$330 for subsequent new projects
- FREE for entries in State Apprentice of the Year and Young Builder

(Please note; complimentary tickets NOT available for additional entries)

CATEGORY CRITERIA

Specific criteria relating to each category can be found via the MBT website and will be available via the online entry system.

Questions regarding your submission or the Awards can be directed to:

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BENEFITS OF TAKING PART

- Be recognised as an industry leader
- Acknowledge the quality work of your staff and contractors
- Have your standard of construction independently assessed
- Demonstrate your commitment to excellence to prospective and existing clients
- Have your award-winning work promoted
- Winning logo on your promotions and website

CATEGORIES

RESIDENTIAL

- Display Home under \$400,000
- Display Home \$400,000 to \$600,000
- Display Home \$600,000 to \$800,000
- Display Home over \$800,000
- Dwelling Construction under \$400,000
- Dwelling Construction \$400,000 to \$500,000
- Dwelling Construction \$500,000 to \$600,000
- Dwelling Construction \$600,000 to \$800,000
- Dwelling Construction \$800,000 to \$1 Million
- Dwelling Construction \$1 Million to \$2 Million
- Dwelling Construction \$2 Million to \$4 Million
- Dwelling Construction \$4 Million to \$6 Million
- Dwelling Construction over \$6 Million
- Medium Density Construction 2-5 dwellings
- Medium Density Construction over 5 dwellings
- Renovation/Addition under \$350,000
- Renovation/Addition \$350,000 - \$500,000
- Renovation/Addition \$500,000 - \$750,000
- Renovation/Addition \$750,000 - \$1 Million
- Renovation/Addition \$1 Million to \$2 Million
- Renovation/Addition over \$2 Million
- Assisted/Adaptable Living
- Lifestyle Housing for Seniors - Retirement Villages
- Lifestyle Housing for Seniors - Aged Care Facilities
- Bathroom Project
- Best use of Australian Made Products - Residential
- Kitchen Project
- Restoration/Renovation - Heritage Listed or Period Building - Residential
- Specialist Contractor of the Year - Residential
- Soil and Water Management - Residential
- Spec Home
- Small Builder
- Sustainability - Residential
- Work Health & Safety - Residential

CATEGORIES

COMMERCIAL & CIVIL CONSTRUCTION

- Civil Construction under \$25 Million
- Civil Construction over \$25 Million

- New Construction under \$5 Million
- New Construction \$5 Million to \$10 Million
- New Construction \$10 Million to \$20 Million
- New Construction \$20 Million to \$50 Million
- New Construction \$50 Million to \$100 Million
- New Construction over \$100 Million

- Renovation/Fit-Out under \$5 Million
- Renovation/Fit-Out \$5 Million to \$10 Million
- Renovation/Fit-Out over \$10 Million

- Best use of Australian Made Products - Commercial
- Entertainment & Recreation Facility
- Education Facility
- Health Facility
- Restoration/Renovation - Heritage Listed or Period Building - Commercial
- Soil and Water Management - Commercial
- Specialist Contractor of the Year - Commercial
- Sustainability - Commercial
- Work Health & Safety - Commercial

SPECIAL

- Unique Space
- Supplier of the Year
- Hands on Apprentice of the Year*
- State Apprentice of the Year
- Young Builder of the Year
- Residential Builder of the Year*
- Commercial Builder of the Year*
- President's Award*

*This award is not applied for, but awarded to the Master Builder who demonstrated the best projects from this years entries

ENTRY INFORMATION

EACH ENTRY MUST INCLUDE

- An appropriately detailed submission addressing the relevant criteria - the quality and content of the submission will assist in the judging of your entry
- Signed Authority Forms - General (includes Builder and Owners permission for the project to be entered into the Awards, used in the media and approval to enter the property) and Photographer
- An A3 floor plan, elevation plan and other relevant drawings/ documentation pertaining to the project plans
- Maximum of 12 high resolution quality digital images supplied as a jpeg (300 dpi minimum for awards magazine and audio visual)
- Uploaded digital images for each entry should have a relevant file name
- Display Home entries need a copy of the promotional material used to promote the home to the public
- Development Approval

HINTS AND TIPS

- Supply as much information needed to ensure your submission addresses the outlined judging criteria.
- Incomplete entries or entries not meeting specified category criteria may need to be re-submitted
- It is compulsory for a client representative to attend the judging appointment as builder/ client relationship is considered an integral part of the judging process
- The builders representative attending the judging appointment must have expert knowledge of the project entered. This will ensure that the judges are correctly informed of the merits of the project as well as any answers to questions they may have regarding the project

JUDGING TIMES will be scheduled with you in advance, but once times are set, cannot be altered. There are a large number of projects to judge and judges can only visit a particular area once. Please ensure there is no issue with access to the project on the designated day. Should there be a period of time that is not suitable for inspection (i.e. no access due to client on holidays) please advise no later than 5.00pm 1st March or risk entry being forfeited

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- All projects entered except the Work Health & Safety category must have achieved practical completion between 31 August 2024 and 31 January 2026.
- Entrants must be appropriately licensed in the category entered and a financial member of Master Builders Tasmania
- In order to qualify for an Award, all outstanding membership fees must be paid in full. No awards will be issued to non-financial members
- All entries must be based on 'price on completion' GST inclusive. Display homes must be accompanied by the current list of all inclusions of the home to full specification as displayed construction costs exclusive of furniture, furnishings and landscaping. Contract homes must be based on the value paid by the client on completion. Submissions must highlight any works not done by the builder.
- Price per square metre, on completion and category value are all GST inclusive
- All entries must be located in Tasmania
- No more than four entries are allowed per sub-category
- Each entry must be completed in full providing all required details
- Master Builders Tasmania reserves the right to refuse any entry
- The entrant must obtain the owners permission and cooperation when submitting the entry and access for judging. If the building is unoccupied upon entering the competition but later becomes occupied, permission and agreement for access must be obtained by the builder from the occupier to allow judging. In the instance of not being able to obtain access, the entry will be automatically disqualified and all associated fees forfeited
- All documents and photographs remain the property of Master Builders Tasmania and may be used for promotional purposes
- **Entries, fees and photos must be lodged online on or before 5.00pm Sunday 1st March 2026 - LATE OR INCOMPLETE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**
- Refunds will not be made if any entry is withdrawn or cancelled after the closing date
- Master Builders Tasmania and its media partners accept no responsibility for any incorrect details, spelling or other incorrect information stated in the entry
- The judges reserve the right to decide if an entry has been entered into the incorrect category and transfer it accordingly

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- The judges reserve the right to decline to present an award in a particular category if a minimum standard of excellence has not been achieved
- Judges must have internal access to the building at the agreed upon time
- The judges or Master Builders Tasmania will not enter into any correspondence regarding judging
- Supplementary hard copy information provided at your judging appointment may not be taken into account by the judges. If you have important information pertaining to the project, it should be provided as part of your original submission. Judges also advise entrants against sit-down presentations at judging appointments
- The entrant/ award recipient must agree to state the category type or recognition received and the year awarded whenever disclosing information or promoting itself or the entry in any communications or media
- In the event that a home has been built without a contract (e.g. a builder constructing their own home) the entrant must seek special permission from Master Builders Tasmania to enter. The home must be entered into the category that best represents the market value of the cost of the build. Evidence must be supplied, including a copy of the Home Warranty Insurance Certificate, to support this category selection. Master Builders Tasmania reserves the right to reject an entry or move between categories.

*Projects must have been completed and Certificate of Occupancy (or relevant completion certificate) obtained between 31 August 2024 - 31 January 2026 inclusive.

