



Terms and Conditions

1. Introduction

These Terms and Conditions (“Terms”) apply to all entrants (“Entrant” or “you”) participating in the **2degrees Queenstown Business Awards 2025** (“Awards”) organised by the **Queenstown Business Chamber of Commerce** (“Queenstown Business”). By submitting an entry, you agree to be bound by these Terms.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1. The Awards are not open to employees of the Queenstown Business Chamber or judges
- 2.2. Category sponsors cannot enter the category they sponsor.
- 2.3. Any business of any size located in the Queenstown region is eligible to enter.
- 2.4. Not-for-profit organisations and sole traders qualify to enter. Government and local government entities are ineligible.
- 2.5. Entrants must have been trading for at least 12 months as at 31 March 2025, validated via the NZ Companies Office register.
- 2.6. If your trading name differs from your legal name, you must declare this in your entry to enable validation.
- 2.7. If your organisation is part of a larger group, you must demonstrate that it functions as a separate business unit.
- 2.8. A franchise will be judged based on its own independent merit and business success, separate from the franchisor.
- 2.9. If you won a category in the 2023 Awards, you are not eligible to enter the same category in 2025 but may enter a different category.

3. Entries and Process

- 3.1. There is no cost to enter the Awards.
- 3.2. You may enter as many categories as you wish, provided you meet the criteria for each.
- 3.3. You must enter at least one other category to be eligible for the People’s Choice Award.
- 3.4. All finalists are automatically entered into the People’s Choice Award and the 2degrees Supreme Business of the Year Award.
- 3.5. All entries must include a brief business biography outlining the history and highlights of your business. You consent to this biography being used for promotional purposes in relation to the Awards.

- 3.6. All entries must be submitted and received in the online Queenstown Business Awards entry website by **5:00pm on 15 September 2025**.
- 3.7. All entries are judged against the individual category criteria.
- 3.8. Judges may contact entrants to clarify details or request additional information.
- 3.9. Judges may contact finalists for an interview (if required) to determine a category winner
- 3.10. Entrants must disclose any issues that may compromise the integrity of the Awards or could lead to the business discontinuing in the next year. This includes but is not limited to legal proceedings, legislative changes, or potential loss of funding.
- 3.11. Queenstown Business has sole discretion to accept or decline any entry.

4. Finalists and Winners

- 4.1. If selected as a finalist, you agree to participate in marketing and publicity activities related to the Awards, which may include media interviews, photography, video content, and promotional materials arranged by the Queenstown Business.
- 4.2. Finalists must ensure at least one representative attends the Gala Dinner on **8 November 2025** to represent the business and accept an award if successful.
- 4.3. The judges' decisions regarding the selection of finalists and winners are final and no correspondence or discussion will be entered into.

5. Intellectual Property and Confidentiality

- 5.1. The Queenstown Business Awards programme, including all categories and questions, is the intellectual property of the Queenstown Business Chamber of Commerce.
- 5.2. All information provided in entries will be treated as commercial-in-confidence and used solely for judging and administering the Awards.

6. Remarketing and Privacy

- 6.1. Queenstown Business uses third-party vendor remarketing tracking cookies, including but not limited to Facebook, LinkedIn, and Instagram.
- 6.2. This enables the Queenstown Business to display targeted advertising to previous visitors across these platforms.
- 6.3. No identifiable personal data is collected by the Queenstown Business through these cookies. Data collected is used in accordance with the Queenstown Business' Privacy Policy and the privacy policies of the relevant third-party vendors.

7. General

- 7.1. By entering the Awards, you consent to the Queenstown Business and Awards judges accessing and using your contact details for Awards-related purposes.
- 7.2. Participation in the Awards constitutes acceptance of these Terms, including any amendments published from time to time.
- 7.3. Queenstown Business may update or amend these Terms at its discretion. Amendments are effective immediately upon publication on the official Awards website.
- 7.4. These Terms are governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of New Zealand.

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