



Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards Frequently Asked Questions

Q1 Is the recipient required to be an Australian Citizen?

A No. Although preferred it is not necessary that recipients be Australian Citizens.

Q2 Does the recipient of the "Citizen of the Year" award have to be over 25 years of age?

A No. If you have an outstanding young citizen who you think is worthy, then they can be successful in either the under 25 category or the main category.

Q3 It suits our Council better to close nominations later than the end of November and our selections may not make your deadline in January. Is this a problem?

A The last Friday in November is a suggested closing date and can be changed to suit your requirements. This year we have extended the notification date slightly to allow you more time. However, we cannot guarantee that you will receive your printed certificates if you advise us of your award recipients' names after this date. You may incur a cost if we are required to express post to ensure delivery by Australia Day.

Q4 Is the recipient required to live within our Local Government area?

A Your nominees or recipients should reside or work principally within the Local Government area in which they are being recognised. You may therefore, award a person who lives outside of your local government area, but who conducts work within your area that benefits your community.

Q5 Do we have to present the awards on Australia Day? Our community celebration is not always held on that day.

A Whilst we prefer the Awards to be presented on Australia Day it is not essential. Please let us know if you have an alternative date as we may publish all recipients on our website on the next working day after Australia Day and understand that some details may need to be embargoed.

Q6 We are a small Local Government Authority and don't receive many nominations from the public. Can we nominate people ourselves?

A Yes. If you find you don't receive many nominations from the public, the Local Government Authority can nominate people based on their local knowledge of who have been making an outstanding contribution to the community.

Q7 Can former recipients receive the award in subsequent years?

A Yes. Recipients can receive the award on more than one occasion in recognition of their particularly outstanding community contribution or their involvement in an alternative initiative.