



2019 Judging Criteria

Apartments and Units – All sub categories

Apartments and Units up to 3 storeys: as covered by Home Warranty insurance

Apartments and Units 4 storeys and above: multistory building with a height lower than 25 metres (less than 8 storey’s)

Apartments and Units High Rise Living: multistory building with a height of at least 25 metres measured from the lowest exit at or near ground level to the floor of the topmost storey (or 8 storey’s) Projects entered into these categories must be a Class 2 or Class 3 building.

All definitions are determined as per the Building Code of Australia.

Criteria	Weighting
Workmanship, finishing, use of building materials	30
Innovation	5
Use of building materials	5
Complexity	5
Client satisfaction	5
Layout	28
Allocation of space	4
Outlook and siting	4
Location of inclusions	4
Siting and orientation	4
Use of energy saving systems and devices	3
Active solar and passive solar	3

Bathroom Project

A bathroom constructed in a new or existing home, not including appliances, electrical, plumbing, plastering, painting and ancillary work but it should be noted that the quality of the associated trades is assessed.

Criteria	Weighting
Wall and floor surface quality of finish, seams clean and even, set out quality, treatment of exposed corners	10
Fitting of fixtures installation and quality of construction	8
Silicon work around basins, baths etc, is this minimal in appearance and tidy?	5
Basin area style/function/image/storage of toiletries	5
Toilet/bidet area location function/comfort of use	5
Bathing/showering area location/function/safety comfort of use does it offer pampering?	5
Overall space is use of space in balance? Are the clearances adequate for all facilities?	5
Innovation	5
The ability to put bathroom together with style, taste and flair	2
Use and standards of floor - wall tiling	8
Use and standards of natural lighting	3
Use and standards of artificial lighting (task/general)	3
Use and standards of ventilation systems	3
Use and standards of heating (under floor etc)	3
Use and standards of colour scheme/harmony	6
Use and standards of texture - blending of different materials and finishes	5
Use and standards of fixtures and fittings	4
Plumbing	2
Electrical	1
Plastering	1
Painting	1

Best Use of Material

This category includes materials used for building facades, entrances, roofing, cladding, joinery, painting, tiling, plastering and flooring. Additional individual categories may be formed depending on entry numbers.

Criteria	Weighting
Workmanship, finish, use	60
Use of building materials	10
Innovation	15
Complexity	15

Civil – All sub categories

Civil entries are required to be submitted as per the Civil Contractors Federation (CCF) guidelines as each entry into a Civil award category automatically enters the same project into the corresponding CCF Earth Awards category, unless otherwise requested.

Criteria	Weighting
Project and Construction Management a. Project planning and management b. Construction excellence and industry best practice c. Technical complexities d. Project timing/milestones and budgets	30
Innovation Innovation concept and implementation	20
People Development and Training Initiatives/Programs/Recognition	10
Quality Planning management and outcomes	10
Safety Planning management and outcomes	10
Environment Planning management and outcomes	10
Stakeholders Planning management and outcomes	10

Commercial Building – All sub categories

Commercial & Retail fit out, Refurbishment or Alteration

Fit out, refurbishment or alteration of an existing commercial building. Final construction price including GST to determine which category each project falls into.

Commercial Building

Construction of a new commercial building. Final construction price including GST.

Criteria	Weighting
Quality of workmanship	60
Use of building materials	15
Innovation	10
Complexity	15

Custom Built/Project Home

Custom Built/Project Home refers to a residential project built under a contract specifically for a client. This category is exclusive to separate dwellings that are free standing with no common walls. Final contract price must be provided in order to determine eligibility in a category. This figure will not be published at any time.

Please note: 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 ACT 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 ACT reserves the right to reject an entry or move entries between categories.

Criteria	Weighting
Quality of workmanship	60
Use of building materials	10
Innovation	10
Complexity	15
Presentation	5

Display Home

Display Home refers to a residential project built for the specific purpose of displaying or showing a builder's product. The project must be intended for reproduction as displayed or with standard variations to suit the client's needs. The Price Category entered is to represent the repeatable price of the project as displayed at the time of judging, inclusive of all exact fixtures, fittings and variations. Please ensure that the nominated contract price is the exact cost of the house including all exact fixtures and fittings as displayed. This is to be inclusive of benchtops, flooring and all other variations.

Criteria	Weighting
Workmanship, finish, use	50
Innovation design material	8
Detailing	4
Delivery of plan and layout	4
Overall architectural merit	8
Energy efficiency	6
Presentation, streetscape	4
Signage	2
Marketing materials	12
Expansion inclusions	2

Extension/Renovation – All sub categories

This category includes extensions, renovations, decks, pergolas and outside pavilions, adaptable or accessible fit outs.

Criteria	Weighting
Workmanship, finishing and use of building materials	50
Innovation design materials	7
Detailing	4
Plan layout	4
Sitting and outlook	4
Effectiveness of fulfilling the brief	7
Energy efficiency	4
Client satisfaction/scheduling on time	10
Overall architectural merit	5
Streetscape	5

Kitchen Project

A kitchen constructed in a new or existing home, not including appliances, electrical, plumbing, plastering, painting and ancillary work but it should be noted that the quality of the associated trades is assessed.

Criteria	Weighting
Cabinetry: base floor and walk units, doors/fixed panels and benchtops	22
Quality runners etc.	4
Detailing of different materials and finishes	5
Work triangle not too large and no obstacles to impede work flow: (a) Working centre between sink, microwave/hobs and fridge (b) clean up centre between sink, dishwashing and crockery storage	6
Is there adequate storage for china, cutlery, pots etc	4
Convenience of storage (e.g. dishwashing close to china cabinet, pot drawers near hob etc.)	3
Practical Placement of Appliances: (a) Microwave - check door swing and height - 1300 max from floor to underside of microwave (b) Dishwasher not in preparation area (c) Saucepan drawers (d) Rangehood Ventilation at specified level above benchtop	4
Adequate bench space for loading/ unloading from microwave/oven fridge	4
Practical and functional workflow	3
Is this kitchen a safe and efficient production unit	5
Are there sufficient clearances, eg walkways, seating distances, island situation?	3
The ability to put the kitchen together with style, taste and flair	5
Colour scheme	3
Use of: Natural Lighting, Artificial lighting (general task), adequate powerpoints, ventilation systems, access to outdoor living areas, balance with home (size and style), eating facilities and cleaning of surfaces.	16
Plumbing, electrical, plastering, tiling and painting	5
Complexity of project	3
Overall standard of finish	3
Innovation	2

Landscape Design and Construction

Commercial Landscape Design and Construction includes the following categories: Institutions, open space, road reserves, water sensitive urban designs, parks, apartments and aged care.

Residential Landscape Design and Construction is open to sub-contractors who have completed the particular project. A builder is welcome to be a joint entrant however, the contractor that undertook the majority of the works, must be the primary entrant. Joint entrants may also be landscape architects.

Please note that this category has an extended entry period of 24 months. This is to allow for the establishment of plants where required.

Criteria	Weighting
Paving	10
Planting	10
Lawn	10
Walls	10
Decks and pergolas (structures)	10
Design	10
Integration	10
Levelling	10
Overall Finish	10
Other (such as distinguishing features)	10

Medium Density – All sub categories

Townhouse: is in a row of houses, that is not class 2. Townhouses can be attached

Villas: stand alone, class 1 in a cluster development

Dual Occupancy: two new dwellings on the same block

Habitable suites: secondary residence that can be a separate or attached dwelling up to 90m²

Criteria	Weighting
Workmanship, finishing, use of building materials	60
Innovative design material	4
Detailing	4
Delivery of plan and layout	4
Effectiveness of fulfilling the brief	4
Energy efficiency	4
Overall architectural merit	5
Streetscape	5
Balance	5
Scheduling	5

Project Displaying Technical Difficulty or Innovation

Open to all sectors.

Criteria	Weighting
Quality of construction and finish	50
Technical complexity	35
Innovation	15

Special Purpose/Adaptable Dwelling

This category includes houses incorporating facilities for people with disabilities and adaptable housing. Other projects eligible include government housing projects, student & group accommodation and aged persons units. A client statement is required with this entry.

Criteria	Weighting
Workmanship, finishing, use of building materials	48
Client satisfaction	12
Innovative design material	5
Detailing	4
Delivery of plan and layout	4
Siting and outlook	4
Effectiveness of fulfilling the brief	5
Energy efficiency	5
Overall architectural merit	5
Streetscape	5
Balance	5

Sustainable Construction

The sustainable construction award, refers to the methods used for managing environmental issues on the project and ongoing systems incorporated into work practices for waste management. E.g. how waste was minimised or avoided, if materials selected were salvaged/recycled/renewable, actual amount of waste that was avoided, reduced or recycled. Water management and any other general environmental management details. Entries should also refer to the project's environmental living standard and working conditions including the use of materials in construction.

Civil

Criteria	Weighting
Workmanship/standard of finish	10
Innovation	20
Enviro, protection of flora fauna	10
Complexity	20
Layout	2
Suitability to site conditions	2
Application of enviro principles	2
Visual appeal	2
Protection of surrounding property	2
Use of energy systems and devices	2
Use of environmental recycled building materials	13
Reuse of onsite materials	10

Commercial

Criteria	Weighting
Workmanship/standard of finish	30
Adherence to the environmental design brief by construction staff	4
Complexity	8
Innovation in achieving sustainable construction	8
Layout, siting, application thermal principles	3
Innovation in protection of existing environment	2
Application thermal performance options	2
Transfer of skills and design to other projects	3
Use of energy and water saving systems and devices	10
Reuse or recycling of building materials	10
Reuse of onsite materials	20

Residential

Criteria	Weighting
Workmanship/standard of finish	20
Innovation	12
Use of environ or recycled building materials	12
Complexity	11
Allocation of space	3
Location of inclusions	3
Visual appeal	4
Siting and orientation	10
Active and passive solar	10
Use of energy and water saving systems	5
Documented onsite waste management	5
Skills transfer	5

Work Health and Safety

WHS awards promote best practise of WHS on building & construction projects and construction based systems. As the judging team are able to judge a project or system whilst in practice, projects are not required to be completed by the closing date of 15th March 2019. Each entry should demonstrate a commitment to developing, implementing, integrating and reviewing on site. The entry submission should demonstrate the consultation that was undertaken within the workplace, the training that was presented to employees and how the solution can be more broadly applied to the overall industry.

Criteria	Weighting
What consultation occurred with workplace parties in implementing the OH&S solution or system	15
How has the solution/system been integrated into the overall operations of the company?	15
What is the level of commitment by the companies personnel in implementing the solution/system?	15
To what extent can the solution/system be more broadly applied to the company and overall industry?	10
To what extent has the solution/system addressed emerging regulation and legislation in the territory?	15
How innovative and original is the OH&S solution/system?	15
How effective was the solution for the control of the OH&S issues/problems?	15

Individual Awards

Professional of the Year

1. Does the nominee provide an exceptional level of service to all clients/stakeholders?
2. Does the nominee actively support the industry and/or key industry associations?
3. Does the nominee promote the industry to the wider community?
4. Does the nominee promote best practice work standards within the industry?
5. Does the nominee continuously demonstrate a high level of ethical standards in all work practices?

Emerging Residential Builder

1. Does the nominee provide an exceptional level of service to all clients/stakeholders?
2. Does the nominee demonstrate a professional and innovative approach to all projects?
3. Does the nominee promote best practice work standards within the industry?
4. Does the nominee demonstrate a high level of client satisfaction?
5. Does the nominee continuously demonstrate a high level of ethical standards in all work practices?
6. Does the nominee consistently display the Master Builders key values of quality and excellence?

Onsite Construction Manager

1. Does the nominee provide an exceptional level of service to all clients/stakeholders?
2. Does the nominee consistently display extensive expertise, experience and leadership skills?
3. Does the nominee demonstrate a sound understanding of the building and construction industry, the needs of key stakeholders and the project itself?
4. Does the nominee promote best practice work standards within the industry?
5. Does the nominee continuously demonstrate a high level of ethical standards in all work practices?

Project Manager of the Year

1. Does the nominee provide an exceptional level of service to all clients/stakeholders?
2. Does the nominee consistently display extensive expertise, experience and leadership skills?
3. Does the nominee demonstrate a sound understanding of the building and construction industry, the needs of key stakeholders and the project itself?
4. Does the nominee promote best practice work standards within the industry?
5. Does the nominee continuously demonstrate a high level of ethical standards in all work practices?

Subcontractor of the Year

1. Does the nominee provide an exceptional level of service to all clients/stakeholders?
2. Does the nominee deliver quality work, on time and on budget?
3. Does the nominee display innovative approaches to their work?
4. Does the nominee continuously demonstrate a high level of ethical standards in all work practices?

Supplier of the Year

1. Does the nominee provide an exceptional level of service to all clients/stakeholders?
2. Does the nominee actively support the industry and/or key industry associations?
3. Does the nominee actively promote safety and innovation within the industry and to the wider community?
4. Does the nominee provide high quality equipment and/or supplies to the industry at competitive prices?
5. Does the nominee continuously demonstrate a high level of ethical standards in all work practices?