



SOUTH AFRICAN  
SMALL BUSINESS  
AWARDS®  
2024

Are you a small business owner or a mercurial entrepreneur in South Africa and are proud of your achievements? Why not enter the South African Small Business Awards and you could receive massive recognition for you and your business.

## How it works

The awards programme is open to all **NSBC Members\***. Entry into the South African Small Business Awards is the ultimate recognition for every business owner and entrepreneur. It is the springboard to enhanced business success. Here is a summary of how it works.

### Entry form & requirements

In order to enter you need to be an **NSBC Member\***.

Once logged in to the NSBC Member Zone you will be able to access the online entry form.

### Submitting your entry

Once the entry form has been completed and the required documentation collected and uploaded you can simply submit your entry online.

### Judging & finalists' announcement

An experienced panel of judges then assess the entries and based on the criteria for each category select and announce the finalists.

### Winners crowned

The finalists and a prestigious guest list of big and small business decision makers are then invited to attend a gala event where the winners are announced.

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## Who may enter?

**Entries are free and exclusive to NSBC Members\*.**

This includes all service, commercial or industrial companies that manufacture or sell a product or service.

Such companies are not allowed to be:

- Members or affiliated members of a listed group on a national or international stock exchange
  - A government or semi-government enterprise
  - An enterprise in whom government is a stakeholder
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## Who may submit an entry?

Any owner or management of a business who is of the opinion that a business complies to the requirements is allowed to enter such a business - OR - Any third party who is of the opinion that a business complies to the requirements is allowed to nominate such a business with the permission of the owner/s or management.

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## How is it judged?

The competition is evaluated in **four** categories and entrants are permitted to enter more than one category:

### **Category A:**

#### **National Small Business Champion of the Year**

Less than 250 employees.

### **Category B:**

#### **National Entrepreneur Champion of the Year**

Owners that show entrepreneurial excellence.

### **Category C:**

#### **National Woman in Business Champion of the Year**

Those special ladies who believe that they have what it takes to reach the top of the game as a successful business owner / entrepreneur.

### **Category D:**

#### **National Startup Champion of the Year**

Businesses started less than 18 months ago.

Please note: The judge's decision is final and no correspondence shall be entered into.

# How to enter

## **STEP 1:**

### **Login to the NSBC Member Zone**

If you believe you have what it takes and are an **NSBC Member** simply login to the **NSBC Member Zone** and click on the entry form.

## **STEP 2:**

### **Complete the entry form**

Make sure you complete all the required sections. The online form saves as you go so you can return at any time and work on your entry.

## **STEP3:**

### **Submit your entry**

Once you are happy with your entry and have uploaded all the requested documentation simply click submit.

**ENTRIES OPEN 01 AUGUST 2024**

#### **CLOSING DATE:**

Friday, 18 October 2024

#### **WINNERS ANNOUNCEMENT:**

Thursday, 14 November 2024