



National Lottery Good Causes Awards

Terms & Conditions for competition entry.

1. Introduction

All entrants to the National Lottery Good Causes Awards (an initiative of Premier Lotteries Ireland t/a The National Lottery) must agree and adhere to these Terms & Conditions.

By entering this competition, the entrant agrees to these Terms & Conditions.

2. Entry

The awards are open to every individual, club, charity, organisation and project that has received National Lottery funding between the years 2014 to 2019, inclusive. Applications can be made by completing the relevant form online at www.lottery.ie/goodcausesawards by 6.00pm, Friday 9th October 2020.

No purchase of any National Lottery product is necessary in order to enter.

3. Eligibility Criteria

The competition is open to organisations, individuals and projects that received funding in the calendar years 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019, which are part financed by National Lottery proceeds, through the following areas:

- Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport (i.e. through Sport Ireland and Sports Capital Programme Grants);
- Department of Health through the HSE Lottery grant;
- Department of Children and Youth Affairs;
- Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government;
- Department of Rural and Community Development;
- Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht; (through The Arts Council and The Heritage Council) and Irish Language support schemes.

The individual entering, and if entering on behalf of an organisation or club, must be over the age of 18 years. This does not exclude any projects that involve minors (under the age of 18).

Premier Lotteries Ireland DAC (PLI) which operates the National Lottery is not responsible for any lost, incomplete, incomprehensible, misdirected or timed-out entries. Such entries will be void.

4. Categories



There will be seven overall categories for the National Finals of the Good Causes Awards. For the initial phase (Regional), there will be six categories. The Irish Language award will be a special award at the National Finals and the winner will be judged at the Regional stage by panel.

The seven categories are as follows:

- Sport & Recreation
- Health & Wellbeing
- Arts & Culture
- Heritage
- Youth Affairs
- Community
- Irish Language (National Final only)

All entries will be checked against the National Lottery compendium of beneficiaries.

The entrants to the competition will be judged on:

- The impact of the Good Cause funding on the local community.
- Innovation in the use of the Good Cause funding.
- The impact of the Good Cause funding in personal achievement (i.e. excelling in a sporting event).

5. Competition Phases: Regional and National

The competition has two phases:

- Regional
- National

Regional Phase

This phase is open to beneficiaries in each of the seven categories (outlined above) who have received National Lottery Good Causes funding in each of the 26 counties in the Republic of Ireland.

The regions will be split into the following:

- Dublin (Dublin)
- North (Donegal, Sligo, Leitrim, Cavan, Monaghan)
- Midlands (Roscommon, Longford, Westmeath, Laois, Offaly)
- South (Cork, Tipperary, Waterford, Kilkenny, Wexford)
- East (Louth, Meath, Kildare, Carlow, Wicklow)
- West (Mayo, Galway, Clare, Limerick, Kerry)

All entrants must apply under the relevant category where their group, organisation or club is located. Any queries about the jurisdiction of the project can be detailed on the application form.



The organisers reserve the right to reassign an applicant to a different category than stated on application should (i) the relevant Good Cause have received funding in more than one category, or (ii) should there be an error on the application from a Good Cause.

During this phase of the competition, the Judges will also seek to identify Good Cause organisations who are candidates for the special Irish language award.

On completion of the Regional Final stage, there will be one winner in each of the 6 categories in each of the 6 regions - i.e. 36 Good Causes which will go forward to the National Finals.

The National Lottery reserves the right to undertake a due diligence process on any/all finalists prior to announcing winners at the National Finals.

National Finals

Representatives of the final 36 in the competition will be required to travel to a central location where National Finals judging will take place. This will be dependent on HSE guidelines in respect to Covid-19 at the time.

The winners of the National Finals will be announced at an awards lunch on Saturday 20th February 2021. Five representatives from each National Finalist will be invited to the event.

There will be an overall National Final winner in each of the 6 categories.

In addition, a special Irish Language award winner will announced at the event.

Of the seven category award winners one will be named “National Lottery Good Cause of the Year”.

6. Prizes

The prize structure for the competition will be broken down as follows.

REGIONAL FINAL	
Prize	No of Winners
€1,000 Finalist prize	36
NATIONAL FINAL	
Prize	No of Winners
€10,000	7
Trophy	7
GOOD CAUSE OF THE YEAR	
Prize	No of Winners



€25,000	1
Trophy	1

All prize monies are the property of the winning Good Cause and must be reinvested into the Good Cause.

7. Competition

All decisions made by the judging panel in each of the two phases (Regional and National) will be final in all circumstances. Canvassing by phone, in person or by the form of digital communication (i.e. email or social media contact) and will result in an application being excluded from the competition.

8. Judging

The judging panel for this competition will be chaired by one independent judge. The independent judge will be joined by other judges from varying disciplines for each different phase of the competition as outlined below:

At the Regional Phase of the competition the independent judge will be joined by one external adjudicator and a representative from PLI. This selection process will take place in the National Lottery headquarters on Abbey Street, Dublin on a specific date in November 2020.

For the National Final of the competition the judging panel will consist of the independent judge, a PLI representative, a representative from the Retail Council and up to four other independent adjudicators. The final judging process for the National Final will take place at a single location where representatives from each Good Cause will give a five minute presentation on the impact their Good Cause has had on their communities followed by a 10 minute Q&A with the judging panel.

Up to two members of the Good Cause may participate in the presentation. All presentations to the judging panel will be oral presentations. While visual aids are permitted, no PowerPoint or video presentations will be allowed.

9. Publicity, Branding and Social Media

All winners of each phase of the competition (Regional and National) must use designated National Lottery Good Causes branding on their website, where applicable, which will link back to www.lottery.ie/goodcausesawards. Winners must also adhere to the branding guidelines provided by PLI.

Projects, organisations and individuals who apply for these awards agree all intellectual property rights (including copyright) in the material submitted to PLI for the purposes of or in connection with this competition is assigned to the PLI from the date of the project's entry.



All winners of each competition phase agree to have the name of the Good Cause published on the National Lottery website (www.lottery.ie) and official social media channels including, but not limited to, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram after the winners are announced.

Further publicity commitments may be required, such as regional photocall, and the participation in a short video (for each regional winner) which will be used by the National Lottery to promote the National Final online and on social media.

10. Assistance with entering this competition

If you experience any difficulties entering this competition, or voting for any of the participating projects, or have any questions please call 01 817 7134 or send an email to goodcausesawards@lottery.ie.

11. Exclusion of Liability

PLI will not be liable for any costs or expenses associated with applying for awards at the regional or national stages of the competition.

Under no circumstances (including but not limited to any act or omission on the part of PLI) will PLI or any of the judging panel be liable for any indirect, incidental, special and/or consequential damages or loss of profits whatsoever which result in connection with this competition.

PLI reserves the right to amend these terms and conditions at any time without prior notice in its absolute discretion. Any material changes will be advertised on the website and such posting shall be adequate notice to all entrants.

12. Jurisdiction

These terms and conditions shall be exclusively governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Ireland and you irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Irish courts. All times and dates refer to the time and date in Ireland.