



Terms & Conditions for entry into the National Lottery Good Causes Awards 2022

1. Introduction

All applicants to the National Lottery Good Causes Awards 2022 (an initiative of Premier Lotteries Ireland DAC ("PLI") t/a The National Lottery) must agree and adhere to these Terms & Conditions.

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

2. Entry

The awards are open to every individual, club, charity, voluntary organisation or project that has received National Lottery funding in the calendar years 2017 to 2021 inclusive. Applications can be made by completing the relevant form online at www.lottery.ie/goodcausesawards by 6.00 p.m., Friday 1st April

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

3. Eligibility Criteria

The competition is open to any organisation, club, individual or projects that received funding in the calendar years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 & 2021, which are or have been part financed by National Lottery proceeds, from any of the following:

- **Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media:**
 - Funding received from Sport Ireland, Sports Capital Programme Grants, The Arts Council and Irish Language Support Grants
- **Department of Rural and Community Development:**
 - Funding received from Senior Alert Schemes & Scheme to Support National Organisations (SSNO)
- **Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage:**
 - Funding received from The Heritage Council and Housing Adaptation Grants
- **Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth**
 - Funding received from UBU Your Place Your Space grants, Youth Services Grant Scheme, Targeted Youth Funding Scheme and Youth Information Centre

- **Department of Health**
 - Funding received through the HSE National Lottery grant scheme

Applicants can check to see if they are eligible to enter the awards by visiting www.lottery.ie/goodcausesawards.

All entries will be checked against the National Lottery's database of Good Causes beneficiaries to ensure that they are eligible.

Any individual entering whether on behalf of themselves or an organisation, club, or project must be over the age of eighteen (18) years. This does not exclude any organisation, clubs or projects that involve minors (under the age of eighteen (18)).

PLI, which operates the National Lottery, is not responsible for any incomplete, incomprehensible or misdirected entries. Such entries will be deemed to be void at the instance of the National Lottery.

4. Categories

There will be seven (7) overall categories for the National Finals of the Good Causes Awards.

The seven (7) categories are as follows:

- Sport
- Health & Wellbeing
- Arts & Culture
- Heritage
- Youth Affairs
- Community
- Irish Language

5. Competition Phases: Counties and National

The competition has two (2) phases:

- County
- National

County Phase

This phase is open to beneficiaries in each of the seven (7) categories of Sport, Health & Wellbeing, Arts & Culture, Heritage, Youth, Community & Irish Language who have received National Lottery Good Causes funding in each of the twenty-six (26) counties in the Republic of Ireland. However, due to its population, Dublin will be broadly split into Dublin City (Dublin City Council region) and Dublin County (Fingal, South County Dublin & Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Council regions) making a total of twenty-seven (27) county regions, creating the potential for

seven (7) category winners from each of the twenty-seven (27) county applicants which would see a maximum total of 189 county winners of the National Lottery Good Causes Awards 2022. Owing to the concentration and movement of population in the Dublin Area, the National Lottery reserves the right to reallocate Dublin entries to other regions within the Dublin area in the interests of fairness and equitable distribution.

National Phase

Each winning Good Cause in the County phase will then automatically go forward for inclusion in the National Phase of the competition.

Within each category, each application will be marked out of ten (10) by each judge in our National judging panel, and the total score will determine the winner within each category.

On completion of the National Final stage, there will be five (5) winners chosen in each of the seven (7) categories i.e., 35 Good Causes who will progress to the National Finals.

The 35 Good Causes finalists going forward to the National Finals will be announced w/c 13th June 2022.

National Finals Judging phase

Each of the 35 finalists will be invited to give a five-minute presentation on the impact their Good Cause has had on their communities followed by a ten-minute Q&A with the National Finals judging panel.

Up to two (2) members of the Good Cause may participate in the presentation.

All presentations to the judging panel will be oral presentations and will be carried out virtually across two (2) days in early September. Use of visual aids during the online presentation to the judges is permitted.

Gala Awards Event

The winners of the National Finals will then be announced at a black-tie awards dinner in Autumn 2022. Five (5) representatives from each National Finalist will be invited to the awards dinner.

There will be an overall National winner in each of the seven (7) categories.

Of the seven (7) category award winners, one (1) will be crowned "National Lottery Good Cause of the Year 2022".

6. Assessment Criteria

The scoring criteria used by the judging panel to assess each application is as follows:

Q1 Tell us briefly about you, your community project, organisation or club?

Assessment Criteria:

First Impressions of the organisation, club or individual - How well do they engage you in how they tell their story?

Q2 How did your sport, project, organisation, or community benefit from National Lottery Good Causes funding and what did it enable the project to do differently, new, and what impact had it on the project or wider community?

Assessment Criteria:

1. Benefits of Good Cause Funding - Scale of the Impact (this is not necessarily the number of people they support, it's depth of the impact that they make to those they serve).
2. Benefits of Good Cause Funding Difference to people's lives - How does the work of this organisation impact on the people they support?
3. Benefits of Good Cause Funding - How innovative is this organisation? Are they doing something really different and unique?
4. Benefits of Good Cause Funding - Impact of the Good Causes Funding. How did the Good Causes funding enhance their ability to deliver particular projects/services?

Q3 Please highlight to us one (1) standout moment or story that you are most proud of, that demonstrates why this project/organisation should win this award?

Assessment Criteria:

The X Factor - How does this organisation, its people or its activities stand out from the crowd? How different are they from other organisations?

7. Prizes

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

COUNTY FINAL	
Prize	No of Winners
Certificate of achievement	(up to) 189
NATIONAL FINAL	
Prize	No of Winners
€1,000	35
GALA EVENT	
Prize	No of Winners
€10,000 & Trophy	(seven) 7
GOOD CAUSE OF THE YEAR	
Prize	No of Winners
€25,000 & Trophy	(one) 1

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

8. Competition Rules

All decisions made by the judging panel in each of the two (2) phases (County and National) will be final in all circumstances.

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

PLI reserves the right to reassign an applicant to a different category than stated on their application should (i) the relevant Good Cause have received funding in more than one (1) category, or (ii) should there be an error on the application from a Good Cause.

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

Canvassing by phone, in person or by a form of digital communication (e.g., email or social media contact) is strictly prohibited and is likely to result in an application being excluded from the competition at the instance of the National Lottery.

9. Judging Panel and Timeline

The judging panel for this competition will be chaired by one (1) independent judge. The independent judge will be joined by other judges from varying disciplines for each different phase of the competition as outlined below:

- For the **County Phase** of the competition, the County winners will be determined by a team of experienced National Lottery staff volunteers. Each County winner will be ratified by the Chair, who will be joined by one (1) external adjudicator and a senior representative from National Lottery. This selection process will take place in the first two (2) weeks of April 2022. Subject to regulatory approval, announcement of the County winners is expected w/c 18th May 2022.
- For the **National Phase** of the competition, the judging panel will consist of four (4) people. The independent judge will be joined by one (1) National Lottery representative, an independent representative from the retail sector and a representative from one (1) of the areas of sport, arts & culture, heritage, health & wellbeing, community, and youth affairs.
- This selection process will take place in the National Lottery offices or online once the County winners are announced. (Up to) 189 county winners will be shortlisted to five (5) National finalists in each of the seven (7) categories.
- For the **Final Phase** of the competition to determine the overall winners, the judging panel will consist of the Chair, a senior representative from the National Lottery, an independent representative from the retail sector and two (2) representatives from one (1) of the areas of sport, arts & culture, heritage, health & wellbeing, community and youth affairs. Over the course of two (2) to three (3) days, each of the 35 finalists will make a five-minute presentation and have a ten-minute Q&A with the judging panel (to be hosted virtually). Each finalist will be scored independently by each judge and scores will be amalgamated to confirm results.

Action	Time Period
Application Phase	15 th Feb – 1 st April
County Judging Phase	1 st April – 15 th April
Regulatory Approval	15 th April – 18 th May
Announcement of (up to) 189 County Winners	18 th May (TBC)
Judging process to shortlist (up to) 189 County representatives to 35 National Finalists.	18 th May – 13 th June
National Final Judging Days (online)	13 th -15 th September
National Lottery Good Causes Awards National Final Event	Autumn 2022

10. Publicity, Branding and Social Media

All winners of each phase of the competition (County 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 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.

Representatives from all winning Good Causes must make themselves available to attend photocalls when required. Further publicity commitments, such as National Finals photocall, and the participation in a short video (for each National Finals winner) will be used by the National Lottery to promote the National Final online and on social media channels.

11. Assistance with entering this competition

If you experience any difficulties entering this competition, or have any questions, you can contact the National Lottery by post to National Lottery HQ, Lower Abbey Street, Dublin 1, by email to goodcausesawards@lottery.ie or by telephone on the following number 087-1443688.

12. Exclusion of Liability

The National Lottery will not be liable for any costs associated with applying for awards at any stage of the competition. This includes, but is not limited to, travel mileage and expenses, meals, accommodation, and other relevant expenses.

Under no circumstances (including, but not limited to, any act or omission on the part of the National Lottery) will the National Lottery 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.

The National Lottery 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 National Lottery website and such posting shall be adequate notice to all applicants.

13. 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.