

RICS AWARDS 2026

Information & Entry Guidelines

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Why enter the Awards?

Each year the RICS Awards showcase the most inspirational initiatives and developments in land, real estate, construction, and infrastructure.

The awards are a perfect platform to highlight how the profession impacts local communities and the wider built and natural environment.

All award-winning projects will have been visited by at least one expert juror.

Award winners will have PR support from the RICS and the chance to be featured in online, print, and filmed content.

Award winners will receive a suite of digital RICS Awards marketing assets, including social media cards and email banners. This is a powerful way to highlight the achievement, raise your profile, and celebrate the impact of your work.

If you are considering entering the RICS UK 2026 Awards, please read the entry criteria below to make sure you are eligible and have the required documents to complete your entry.

You can also plan and check the upcoming dates for the RICS UK Awards.

Who can enter?

We welcome all individuals, teams and organisations who meet the criteria of the relevant category to apply for the awards. It is important that all applicants review the entry guidelines and assessment criteria to ensure that their submission meets the necessary requirements.

Cost to enter

The RICS UK Awards 2026 are free to enter.

How to enter?

Each submission must be accompanied by specific submission materials, which will be reviewed by the judges.

Your submission should include:

- Category you are submitting for
- Project/Team/Individual Name –the name provided should be clear as it will be used throughout the entire campaign
- Please note, if your job title or company name change ahead of the Grand Final Ceremony, you will have to formally notify us by emailing [the Awards team](#).
- How should the project/team be credited? This is the credit line that will be published alongside the project/team name. This should either be your organisation name or multiple if the project was a collaboration.
- Project address – entries may involve a site visit.
- Nominator and Nominee contact details
- UK Region
- Project Description - A summary of the project, outlining its nature (e.g residential, commercial, mixed-use, infrastructure). What is the project designed to achieve? (e.g affordable housing, office space, cultural facility, urban renewal). Specify the main function or use of the space (e.g commercial offices, residential apartments, retail space, public amenities). Who benefits from this project? (e.g local residents, businesses, public institutions)
- Project Summary – A 100-word summary of the nomination for marketing purposes – what the project was and how the team/individual has showcased excellence (free text section within the form)
- Assessment Criteria and Evidence - your submission should clearly explain the project, team or individual and demonstrate a connection to the judging criteria
- RICS Surveyor working on the project
- Interested Parties – architect, contractor and client details.

- Your company logo.
- Five photographs of the internal and external aspects of the project where possible and relevant. For Individual and Team Categories, please upload head shots (Individual Category) and a Team Photo (Team Categories)
- Any other appropriate supporting material, such as technical documentation, media clippings, floor plans, etc.

Project Awards

1. Nominations can be made by the nominee (team, company, or consortia) or a third party.
2. The project(s) which is the subject of a nomination must have been worked on within the 2025 calendar year, though not necessarily completed.
3. A company may submit a joint nomination however, where a joint nomination is submitted a subsequent, stand-alone application from the same company and in the same category is not allowed.
4. Nominations must be submitted via the online submission form. Where multiple nominations are being submitted by the one organisation, a separate online submission form will need to be completed for each nomination.
5. Other relevant supporting materials/documents are optional but welcomed. These should be limited to a maximum of five additional pages of supporting material/documents and three testimonials, all in PDF format.
6. A company logo (.ai or .eps is preferred) must be provided as well as a photo of the team or individual nominated. This will be used on marketing materials and during the Regional and Grand Final ceremonies.
7. Information provided within the submission may be used by RICS for the purpose of the judging or promotion of the Awards. Any confidential information must be clearly stated within the submission.
8. The jury panel's decision on eligibility of the nominations shall be final and is non appealable.

Team and/or Individual awards

1. Nominations should be made by a third person/entity but will be accepted from the nominee.
2. Nominations must be submitted via the online submission form. Where multiple nominations are being submitted by the one organisation, a separate online submission form will need to be completed for each nomination.
3. Other relevant supporting materials/documents are optional but welcomed, should be limited to a maximum of five additional pages of supporting material/documents and three testimonials, all in PDF format.
4. A logo must be provided as well as a photo of the team or individual nominated. This will be used during award presentation.
5. Information provided within the submission may be used by RICS for the purpose of the judging or promotion of the Awards. Any confidential information must be clearly stated within the submission.
6. The jury panel's decision on eligibility of the nominations shall be final and is non appealable.
7. The team and/or individual must have completed the RICS ethics module and have no regulatory investigations outstanding or in progress

Special Category Awards

1. Nominated major projects must be located or operated in the UK.
2. Nominations can be made by the nominee (team, company, or consortia) or a third party.
3. Nominated major projects which is the subject of the nomination must have been worked on within the 2025 calendar year, though not necessarily completed.
4. A company may submit a joint nomination however, where a joint nomination is submitted a subsequent, stand-alone application from the same company, on the same project(s) and in the same category is not allowed.
5. Nominations must be submitted via the online submission platform. Where multiple nominations are being submitted by the one organisation, a separate online submission will need to be completed for each nomination.
6. Nomination must be accompanied by a 100-word summary for marketing purposes.
7. Other relevant supporting materials/documents are optional but welcomed. These should be limited to a maximum of five additional photographs, three additional pieces of supporting material/documents and three testimonials. (Documents and testimonials should be in PDF format.)
8. A logo must be provided as well as a photo of the team or individual nominated. This will be used for marketing purposes and during award presentations.