

NTDC Photography Competition Terms and Conditions

Applicants are responsible for making sure they have read and followed the terms and conditions before entering the competition. No allowances will be made for instances where this is not the case, and any entry not complying with the terms and conditions will be disqualified.

1. This competition is run by the National Technician Development Centre (NTDC), 8 Palmerston Road, S10 2RQ. It is open to all technicians, except employees and immediate family of employees of the National Technician Development Centre and competition judges and their immediate families.
2. For the purpose of this competition, a technician is defined as somebody who is employed within the technical community, or has been employed within the technical community within the last six months. Exceptions can be made on an individual basis at the discretion of the NTDC for circumstances such as parental leave. If this affects you, please contact us prior to submitting your entry.
3. Prior to entering the competition, entrants must not have offered any of their entered photographs for sale, been paid for publication of their entered photographs, or won any other photographic competition with their entered photographs.
4. The closing date for entries is midnight on 31st August 2022. Any entries after this date will not be considered for the competition. After submission, entries can only be edited at the judges' discretion and before the deadline for entries.
5. Entries to the competition are limited to three images per person.
6. Images should be submitted as high resolution JPEG or PNG files no smaller than 1MB and no larger than 5MB. For reproduction purposes, the longest edge of the image should be at least 2500 pixels without interpolation. Please note that part of the judging criteria is technical skill and therefore original files should be as large as possible. The NTDC may also request your original file for further judging and reproduction purposes.
7. There are no restrictions on the type of camera used.
8. Please keep copies of all of your original work safe as the NTDC cannot be responsible for protecting submitted files.

9. Digital adjustments are allowed as long as the faithful representation of what was captured by the original image is maintained. Adding or removing whole elements to or from the image is not allowed.

10. By entering this competition, you confirm that:

- You are the sole author and owner of each submission.
- You have the right to make your submission available to the competition.
- Your entries do not infringe upon the copyrights, trademarks or any other intellectual property rights of any third person or party, or violate any person's rights of privacy or publicity.
- Your entries do not contain personally identifiable information about yourself or any other person, such as an address.
- Each person in the photograph has granted permission to be portrayed as shown.
- Your entries do not contain any false, misleading, abusive, harassing, defamatory, libellous or profane content.
- Your entries do not constitute or encourage any type of conduct which would violate the law in any way.
- Your entry does not contain any commercial content promoting any product or service.
- No animals or their environments were harmed, manipulated or put under any distress in order to capture the image.

11. The NTDC recognises that you, the author of the image, retain full ownership of the copyright for each entry. By entering the competition, you grant the NTDC and their Key Partners a non-exclusive, worldwide, royalty-free license to use, reproduce and publish images entered in the competition for the purposes of publicising and promoting the competition and the NTDC's and their Key Partners' activities, including but not limited to within their publications, website and social media channels. In all instances, full credit to the original entrant of the material will be provided.

12. Other than the NTDC's Key Partners, third parties will not be granted permission to use images for other purposes without express permission from the photographer.

13. All shortlisted entrants, winners and runners up will be personally notified by 10th February.

14. If the NTDC is unable to contact the winners and runners up after reasonable attempts have been made, it reserves the right to offer the prize and commendation to an alternative entrant.

15. The winner and runners up will be chosen by the judge(s) appointed by the NTDC and their decision on all matters is final. No correspondence will be entered into concerning the NTDC's or judges' decisions on any aspects of the competition.

16. Should all entries fall below the required standard, the NTDC reserves the right not to award prizes, or to extend the submission deadline.

17. The NTDC reserves the right to cancel the competition at any time, or to alter the rules at any stage. Any significant changes in the rules or terms and conditions will be shared on the NTDC's website and social media.

18. Any breach of these terms by an entrant will void their entry. The NTDC reserves the right to request the return of a prize if the entrant is discovered to have been in breach of these terms at a later date.