



ENTRY FORM 2021

TONNELLERIE DE MERCUREY NZ YOUNG WINEMAKER OF THE YEAR COMPETITION 2021

This form must be completed and scanned through to the National Co-ordinator along with your photo and bio (written in 3rd person) before entry can be accepted to a regional competition.

This form will also be used as your entry form if you move on to compete in the National Final.

Regional Competition _____

Name _____

Address _____

Mobile _____ **Email** _____

Date of birth _____

Place of work _____ **Job Title/Role** _____

Vest Size (Male/Female XXL, XL, L, M, S, XS) _____

- I have read and agree to the terms of the competition as overleaf.
- I confirm that I will be 30 years of age or under as at 31 December 2021.
- I have emailed a bio and photo of myself
- I agree to have my contact details shared with the Sponsors of the NZ Young Winemaker of the Year.
- I have completed the questions below
- My employer has agreed to me having time off work for the regional competition, national competition and associated events as required (eg media interviews, wine judging opportunities)

Signed: _____ **Date** _____

PART TWO. Please answer the following questions below using no more than 100 words per question:

1. List any major achievements and valuable experiences you have had in the wine industry.

2. Please explain the leadership qualities and skills you bring to the New Zealand wine industry?

3. What are your future goals and aspirations in the New Zealand wine industry?

4. Any other comments you would like to make to assist with your application?

RULES OF ENTRY AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Eligibility

1. To enter participants must be 30 years of age or under at 31 December 2021.
2. Applicants must have a minimum of 2 harvests or 2 years' experience in a wine production role in New Zealand as well as being currently employed in the New Zealand wine industry either part or full time.
3. Full time students studying winemaking may also be considered for entry.
4. To enter the competition participants must be a New Zealand or Australian citizen or hold a current New Zealand permanent residency permit.
5. There are three Regional Competitions in 2021. Please see points 10-11 for the relevant Regional Competition to enter. The contestant must enter the competition in the region where they are currently working (tbc if less than 6 months).
6. The participant must have no current plans to permanently emigrate in the near future (overseas vintage is fine).
7. Departures from the eligibility criteria may be granted in exceptional circumstances, as determined at the sole discretion of the National Committee.
8. New Zealand Winegrowers Incorporated (**NZW**) may, at its sole discretion, require applicants to provide evidence of their age, citizenship or residence status. If information is requested by NZW but evidence is not provided within the requested timeframe, the applicant is deemed to be ineligible to enter the competition.
9. **Applications close Sunday 19th July 2021.** Applications will be assessed and applicants will be informed whether they have been accepted to participate in the Regional Competition by the Organising Committee by the end of July 2021.

Regional Competitions

10. Applicants for the 2020 Tonnellerie de Mercurey NZ Young Winemaker of the Year Competition are required to be available on the date of their applicable Regional Competition as well as the National Final. These dates are:
 - North Island, held in Hawke's Bay – Friday 3 September 2021
 - Marlborough – Wednesday 8 September 2021
 - Central Otago – Thursday 16 September 2021
 - National Final – Thursday 14 October 2021 in Central Otago
11. The applicable Regional Competition for those in other regions will be as follows:
 - North Island – contestants from anywhere on the North Island can enter the competition being held in Hawke's Bay.
 - Nelson – can apply to enter the Marlborough competition
 - Rest of the South Island can apply for Central Otago competition.
12. Contestants are responsible for their own travel costs to the Regional Competition.

Selection process

13. Applications will be assessed, regardless of region and the top 8 contestants chosen for each regional competition. For example, the top 8 contestants for the Marlborough competition may be drawn from both Nelson and Marlborough applicants.
14. Each Regional Competition will have no more than eight contestants, unless special circumstances are agreed by the National Committee.
15. In the event of the region receiving entries for more than eight contestants, a selection process will be undertaken. This process will be determined by each region; however preference will be given to those competitors who are closest to 30 years of age.

National Final

16. The 2021 National Final will have a total of three spaces. The winner of each Regional Final will make up one of the three contestants. If for some reason the winner of a Regional Final is unavailable, the second placed contestant from that Regional Final will take their place.
17. Part of the prize for gaining entry into the National Final is travel and accommodation expenses up to \$1000 to attend the National Final, for those outside the region where it is being held. This will be issued following the National Final, following provision of receipts with travel and accommodation booked mindfully and economically.

Privacy

18. Contestants agree that personal information submitted with their entry form and any personal information gathered in the course of the competition (eg photos and videos) may be used in social media, media releases and publicity material related to the competition and other NZW related initiatives.
19. Contestants agree that their contact information may be provided to sponsors of the competition. Sponsors may contact contestants to provide them with information about their business, products and/or services.
20. Contestants' information will be treated in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020. A copy of NZW's privacy policy is available on its website here: <https://www.nzwine.com/en/privacy-policy/>

General

21. Contestants enter at their own risk and must act in a responsible manner considering the safety of themselves and other contestants and supervisors. Competition supervisors and judges may give directions related to the risks posed by COVID-19 (for example about physical distancing), and such directions must be followed by contestants.
22. For safety reasons, contestants may not compete if they have suffered from any COVID-19 symptoms (as described on the Ministry of Health website) within the 14 days prior. Exemptions to this requirement may be granted at the sole discretion of the National Co-Ordinator and Organising Committee if the contestant has tested negative for COVID-19 and has been symptom-free for at least 48 hours prior to competing.

23. During the competition the contestants must wear the competition clothing provided.
24. There is no cash alternative to prizes offered.
25. All decisions of the competition supervisors and judges are final. The contestant must respect all decisions and requests made by the competition supervisors and judges.
26. When being interviewed by media, contestants must refer to the competition as the Tonnellerie de Mercurey Young Winemaker of the Year Competition.
27. New Zealand Winegrowers Incorporated may cancel or amend all or part of the competition and/or its prizes without notice and at its sole discretion. In such a case, no compensation will be payable. This includes, but is not limited to, changes that may be required as a result of Government Alert Levels related to COVID-19.

Completed application forms and any questions should be directed to:

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