

2022 BAY OF PLENTY SPORTS AWARDS CONDITIONS OF NOMINATIONS – ALL CATEGORIES

1. Nominations will not be accepted after the deadline date of **12.00pm Friday 7th October, 2022.** All nominations must be submitted through the online portal via www.sportbop.co.nz
2. The applicable period for results, placings and achievements is limited to 1st October 2021 to 30th September 2022. Any results, placings or achievements that occur/occurred outside this period will not be considered
3. The young disabled sportsperson of the year and open disabled sportsperson of the year awards must be endorsed through Parafed Bay of Plenty
4. It is the responsibility of the nominator to ensure that all information submitted is accurate and fact checked. Failure to withhold any key information or achievements may affect the outcome of any decision being made by the selection panel.
5. The winners shall be selected by an independent Selection Panel, from the nominations submitted prior to the closing date. The Panel may, at its discretion, seek further nomination of persons, who in the opinion of the Panel are deserving of consideration for an award.
6. The Selection Panel, made up of at least 5 people who represent a range of stakeholders within sport and recreation in the Bay of Plenty. This panel has the discretion to make decisions around the conditions of the nomination.
7. **The selection panel reserves the right to withdraw any nominations that fail to supply a comprehensive level/amount for information to support the nomination supplied.**
8. **The decision of the Selection Panel shall be final and no correspondence will be entered into.**
9. From all nominations received the Panel will be making a shortlist, to no more than a maximum of four finalists for each category in the open sections.
10. Nominees for all categories, ***except Secondary School specific categories***, must be members of a club, school, or sporting organisation in the region bounded by Sport Bay of Plenty's coverage area (bounded by the coastline as far South-East as Whangaparaoa, Waihi Beach in the North, Broadlands in the South and East of the Kaimai ranges).
11. Secondary Schools in the Taupo region can nominate students for the Bay of Plenty Awards, however they can only be nominated in one RST Awards in the same school calendar year.
12. If a club, school, or sporting organisation for a particular sporting code does not exist within the boundaries of Sport Bay of Plenty's coverage area, then the nominee must reside within the boundaries of Sport Bay of Plenty's coverage area
13. The Young Sportsman, Young Sportswoman, and Young Disabled Sportsperson of the year categories are for sports persons aged 15 – 21 years (as at 1st October 2022).

14. The Open Coach of the Year category includes professional and voluntary coaches
15. The Open Club of the Year category includes professional and voluntary clubs
16. The Open Official of the Year category includes professional and voluntary officials
17. The Open Team of the Year category includes professional and voluntary teams
18. Secondary students who represent a New Zealand Secondary School Team on the international stage are considered in the secondary school awards.
19. Nominees can only be finalists in one region's annual sports awards – except where a team crosses boundaries e.g. Waikato/Bay of Plenty.
20. For cross boundary teams i.e. Waikato/Bay of Plenty to be considered they must have at least 66% of their members meet the criteria set out in rules 6 and 8.
21. A team is defined as two or more athletes that compete in the same event/race for the **same title** and **not** a group of athletes where an accumulation of points defines the top team/school/club at the event or competition. For example;
 - a) A doubles pair in a badminton tournament compete for the same title by partnering together. This nomination **WOULD** be considered
 - b) A group of 4 athletes enter a team event in a surfing carnival, they place 2nd, 5th, 9th and 12th as a group, their accumulative points place them as the top team at that event. This nomination **WOULD NOT** be considered.

OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

Summary Criteria:

- Open to any **voluntary official, referee or umpire** who has excelled in one or more sports.
- Has made an outstanding contribution in the area of officiating/umpiring/refereeing in the 2021/22 specified year - 1st October 2021 to 30th September 2022
- Achieved results/participated at the highest possible level within their sport.
- Is consistently mentioned/referenced by players as being fair and consistent
- Has made a contribution as an ambassador to the sport and the region.

Conditions:

- All nominations must be submitted online by 12noon, Friday 7th October 2022
- Digital pictures must be uploaded as part of each nomination
- Late nominations will NOT be considered

- All nominations must be endorsed by the appropriate governing Regional Sports Organisation (where there is no Regional Sports Organisation for a particular sport the National Sporting Organisation must endorse the nomination)