

2023 Photography Competition Terms & Conditions

1. Entry to this competition is deemed as acceptance of these terms and conditions.
2. This competition is being run and promoted by the Shire of Boddington.
3. Competition commences 21 September 2023 and concludes 22 October 2023.
4. Entry into this competition is free.
5. The competition is open to amateur photographers (individuals for whom photography is not the source of their primary income). Youth category open to entrants under 18 years.
6. A limit of five photographs can be submitted by each entrant.
7. All entries must be colour photographs.
8. By entering this competition, the entrant confirms the following:
 - a. The photograph is the entrant's original work.
 - b. The entrant is the sole owner and copy write owner of the photograph.
 - c. The photograph has not been published, exhibited or have won a public competition previously.
 - d. The photograph was taken within the Shire of Boddington.
 - e. The entrant has consent from any people featured within the photograph.
 - f. The entrant ensures the content of the photograph is not offensive, illegal, of a pornographic nature or containing distressing content.
 - g. If the entrant is under 18 years of age they have parental consent to enter.
 - h. The entrant agrees to have their name and photograph published.
 - i. The entrant gives Shire of Boddington permission to use submitted photographic images for promotional and marketing purposes, royalty free, at any time in future.
9. All entries must be saved in a high quality resolution and submitted as a minimum 2MB file in PNG format.
10. No date or time, titles, watermarks or signatures which may identify the author are permitted on the image itself.
11. Images are to be photographic in nature, which have not been digitally altered beyond standard optimisation and without obvious photo manipulation techniques. The following editing techniques are considered standard optimisation which is suitable within these awards:
 - cropping
 - removal of dust
 - reasonable fixes to exposure, colour, sharpness and contrast

Photographs that have been inappropriately edited or contain excessive manipulation will **not** be considered. These include but are not limited to:

- over saturation, sharpening and contrasting used within the editing of the entered photograph
- the inclusion of foreign objects within a photograph that are added within post production
- excessive use of filters

The Shire of Boddington reserves the right to question the editing and optimisation that has taken place in post-production to any entered photograph.

12. Where possible, entrants will be credited with the photographs when they are used, however this is not guaranteed.

13. The Shire's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered in to.

The photographer indemnifies the Shire of Boddington against any loss resulting from a breach of the above conditions of entry. Failure to adhere to the conditions of entry may lead to disqualification from the 2023 photography competition.