



# **TOURISM INDUSTRY EMPLOYEE**

## **CATEGORY QUESTIONS**

2026 AWARDS. VERSION 1.0

## DESCRIPTOR

Do you know a Territory tourism, events and hospitality employee that makes an exceptional contribution to the industry?

This award recognises the dedication and commitment of an individual employee working in the Northern Territory tourism industry. Nominees can be working in any area of the NT tourism, events and hospitality industry including but not limited to: staff of accommodation providers, restaurants, festivals and events, attractions, visitor information centres and tour guides.

## NOMINATION PROCESS

Entries are accepted via the awards portal.

*Important notes:*

- *Nominations are welcome from any party except the nominee.*
  - *The award will not be made to the same person twice.*
  - *The award will be presented at the discretion of the judges, based on the submissions received.*
  - *This category is awarded in the Northern Territory - winners do not become finalists at the Australian Tourism Awards.*
  - *The criteria and rules for entry for the 2026 Australian Tourism Awards program do not apply to this category.*
  - *Nominees will be announced at the gala awards event.*
  - *It is expected that all nominees will be in attendance at the gala awards event held in Alice Springs on the 14 November 2026 (at own cost). Nominators should encourage nominees to attend.*
1. A written overview (up to 1000 words) of the candidate which contains:
    - a) The name of the person nominating the candidate and their relationship to the nominator.
    - b) Brief history of their career in the Northern Territory, including a description of their current employment and other industry participation.
    - c) Outline what the candidate has done over and above their core role and the benefits of their professional contribution and service to the NT.
    - d) Outline any awards / accolades received and customer satisfaction.
    - e) Outline what the candidate has done on a personal level for tourism in the NT and any benefits.

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2. Upload a selection of customer reviews that identify the nominee or their related role. These customer reviews could include (but not limited to) online reviews, surveys or other written communications. They are to be save as one (1) PDF document.
3. Upload up to two (2) written references supporting the nomination. The references are to be PDF documents.
4. Upload five (5) high resolution images of the candidate.

### SCORE SUMMARY

The panel will consider all nominations. The panel will be looking for people who have made an exceptional professional and personal contribution to the Northern Territory tourism and hospitality industry.

They will consider in particular, the activities and contribution of the candidate outside the expectations of their normal employment.

Professional contribution and service to NT tourism and hospitality industry	25 points
Customer reviews, industry awards / accolades	10 points
Personal contribution and service to the NT	15 points
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50 points</b>