

## The NZIFST INDUSTRY AWARDS

# INNOVATION AWARD

### *Information; Terms & Conditions; Application*

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The New Zealand Institute of Food Science and Technology (the Institute or NZIFST) INDUSTRY AWARDS are intended to recognize excellence and leadership in innovation and quality in the New Zealand food industry, to promote and foster these qualities and to enhance the Institute's involvement with industry.

#### 2. PURPOSE OF THIS AWARD

This **INNOVATION** award acknowledges a significant new development in a process, product, ingredient, equipment or packaging, which has been commercially produced or patent awarded within the last 12 months.

The product /process must have been developed within New Zealand but may be commercially produced off shore.

#### 3. AWARD RECIPIENT

This award will be presented to an individual or team who is recognised as a major contributor to the innovation.

#### 4. CLOSING DATE

Application/Nomination Closing Date: 31 March in the year of the award

#### 5. ELIGIBILITY

These awards are open to any company or employee of any sector of the New Zealand food industry.

Nominees do not have to be a member of NZIFST.

#### 6. APPLICATION / NOMINATION

Application may be made by any interested member, in writing, 1000 words or less, plus supporting documents, and accompanied by the relevant completed form. All awards will require a declaration that the facts stated are true. The judging panel has the right, at its discretion to seek independent confirmation of the facts stated in the application.

#### 7. NATURE OF AWARD

- The top three finalists in this award will each receive one ticket to the Awards Dinner.
- The top three finalists in this award will be acknowledged at the Awards Dinner.
- The winner of this award will be announced and will receive a plaque/trophy and \$2000 cash prize.

## 8. JUDGING

The judging panel for this award will be professional and independent and will comprise at least three (3) senior and renowned members of the food industry who are Fellows of NZIFST or recipients of either the JC Andrews or Distinguished Service awards. Full confidentiality of applications will be maintained.

## 9. PUBLICITY

The NZIFST reserves the right to use finalists' and winner's citations and photographs for publicity purposes but no information of any confidential nature will be released to the public. Copies will also be provided for the winner's use.

## 10. REVIEW

This award will be reviewed every two years.

## 11. DISCLAIMER

- The Awards Selection Committee decisions are final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- Awards may not necessarily be presented in each industry sector each year.
- The Awards Selection Committee reserves the right to limit the number of awards in any one year.

## 12. APPLICATION CONTENT

### Your application should describe

*In writing, 800 - 1000 words, plus supporting documents*

- The innovation itself and the reasons/events leading to it
- Product development processes
- Any technical difficulties e.g in the manufacture of the product
- The challenges overcome
- Any production efficiencies
- Sales achieved and when sales first started and/or date and place of patent issue

## 13. SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sponsorship of this award is available

BENEFITS for Sponsors:

- Award naming rights, including logo engraved on award plaque
- Two complimentary tickets to the Awards Dinner
- Acknowledgement in all awards' pre and post-presentation publicity
- Acknowledgement as a sponsor in all relevant conference publications (includes the conference handbook and Institute journal *Food New Zealand*)
- Professional photography portfolio (on disk) from the awards for sponsors own publicity/ use

COST: \$3,000 + gst

Application form:	<b>NZIFST INDUSTRY AWARDS – INNOVATION</b>	
<b>(a) APPLICANT/NOMINEE DETAILS:</b>		
Name:		
Company:		
Address:		
Phone:		Email:
<b>(b) NOMINATOR DETAILS – if different to above</b>		
Name:		
Contact Address:		
Phone:		Email:
<b>(c) Is applicant/nominee in: (Tick one)</b>		
	Supply	Academic/Education
	Research & Development	Manufacturing/Supply Chain
	Other (please state)	
<b>(d) And which food sector? (Tick one)</b>		
	Dairy	Horticulture
	Meat	Fresh Produce
	Seafood	Cereals
	Food & Beverage	Other (please state)
<b>(e) ATTACH YOUR APPLICATION STATEMENT</b>		
<p><b>In 800 - 1000 words, please describe:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The innovation itself and the reasons/events leading to it</li> <li>• Product development processes</li> <li>• Any technical difficulties e.g in the manufacture of the product</li> <li>• The challenges overcome</li> <li>• Any production efficiencies</li> <li>• Sales achieved and when sales first started and/or date and place of patent issue</li> </ul>		
<b>(f) ATTACH ANY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</b>		
<b>MAIL TO:</b>  <b>3 copies required</b>	Rosemary Hancock Executive Manager NZIFST PO Box 5574 Terrace End Palmerston North 4441  Contact: <a href="mailto:rosemary@nzifst.org.nz">rosemary@nzifst.org.nz</a> , Phone 06 356 1686	
<b>CLOSING DATE:</b>	<b>31 March in year of award</b>	
<b>(g) APPLICANT or NOMINATOR DECLARATION &amp; SIGNATURE:</b>	<i>I agree to abide by the terms and conditions of this award AND declare that the information supplied is true and accurate.</i>  <b>Signature:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>