

DISTRIBUTION TRAINEE OF THE YEAR

The Connexis Excellence Awards celebrate the best and brightest trainees working in the Electricity Supply and Telecommunications industries. They also recognise those who have made a significant contribution to the industry through their enthusiasm and commitment to industry training.

7 reasons why you should nominate your employee:

1. Recognise a standout employee and the value they bring to your organisation.
2. Raise your profile as an employer who promotes training and best practice.
3. Celebrate your company's achievements.
4. Show your commitment to the professional development of your industry.
5. Promote your industry by showcasing talent on a national stage.
6. Take an active role in this celebration of the Electricity Supply and Telecommunication Industry.
7. Give your employees the chance to win and be part of the legacy of Annual Connection.

Eligibility

To be eligible for nomination, the nominee must be:

- Employed in the Electricity Supply or Telecommunication industry in a Distribution role; and
- Working toward, or recently completed, a national qualification at Level 3 or 4 under a Connexis Training Agreement. (People who completed their national qualification prior to 1 July 2022 are not eligible).

The nominee cannot be a previous winner of the Distribution Trainee of the Year Award.

What makes a great nominee?

The Judges will be looking for an elevated level of excellence during the nominee's training, proof of a positive attitude, dedication to learning, and evidence the nominee is a role model to their peers.

The key to a strong nomination is providing the judges with clear, relevant information, and specific examples that give them a positive, factual picture of your nominee and their accomplishments.

The winner of the Distribution Trainee of the Year Award will receive a prize of \$1000.00 (this will be deposited into your nominated bank account after the event), a trophy and a certificate. They will also be considered for the Overall Trainee of the Year Award.

This award is proudly sponsored by:

Critical dates:

Nominations open	24 April 2023
Nominations close	21 July 2023
Judging begins	24 July - 3 August 2023
Finalists announced	4 August 2023
Connexis Excellence Awards Dinner	21 September 2023 (Invercargill)

NOMINATION FOR THE DISTRIBUTION TRAINEE OF THE YEAR

Please Note: It is the expectation of the judges that this nomination is filled in and submitted by the employer of the nominee.

SECTION A

Details of the person you are nominating:

Full name	<input type="text"/>
Company	<input type="text"/>
Position held	<input type="text"/>
Postal address	<input type="text"/>
Phone	<input type="text"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>
Date	<input type="text"/>

Nominated by:

Full name	<input type="text"/>
Company	<input type="text"/>
Position held	<input type="text"/>
Postal address	<input type="text"/>
Phone	<input type="text"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>
Date	<input type="text"/>

Referee:

Please supply the name of one other person who may be contacted as part of the judging process. This person should know the nominee well e.g. training manager, line manager, team leader.

Full name	<input type="text"/>
Relationship to nominee	<input type="text"/>
Phone	<input type="text"/>
Date	<input type="text"/>

I have attached a photo of the nominee. (Please ensure that this is a head shot of the nominee with adequate lighting.)

Agreement

- I have read and understand the terms and conditions.
- A copy of the nominee's record of learning is included and I have obtained permission from the nominee for this information to be made available to the judges.
- The nominee understands that if they are selected as a finalist, their name, photo, and information about their achievements may be used for promotional purposes.

Phone	<input type="text"/>
Date	<input type="text"/>
Name	<input type="text"/>
Signature	<input type="text"/>

SECTION B

1. When did the nominee commence employment in the electricity supply or telecommunications industry?

2. What was their pathway into the industry? e.g. industry event, Apprenticeship Programme

3. When did the nominee commence employment with their current employer?

4. Describe their current roles and responsibilities.

5. What qualification(s) does the nominee have and what qualification is the nominee currently working towards?

6. What is the expected completion date of this qualification?

7. Why is the nominee being put forward for this award? Include a description and workplace example of:

1. The attributes the nominee has that make them an exceptional team member.
2. Their ability to communicate with those around them.
3. A situation where the nominee showed leadership.
4. What attitudes and actions in the workplace make them role models to their peers? What impact does this have on the workplace environment?

8. Describe the nominee's attitude and commitment towards training and career progression, including examples of how:

1. The nominee goes about achieving their training goals.
2. How they apply their learnings in the workplace.
3. Attach any tutor feedback or industry references.

9. What are the nominee's career goals and what contribution do you believe they will make to your organisation and/or the wider industry in the future?

10. Provide details of any previous industry or workplace awards or achievements that the nominee has been recognised for.

Judging

You and/or the listed referee may be contacted as part of the judging process. The judges reserve the right not to present an award if in their opinion no satisfactory nominations are received. The judges' decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.

Connexis Excellence Awards Dinner

Nominees selected as finalists will be required to attend the Connexis Excellence Awards dinner. Two dinner tickets will be provided - for the finalist and one guest. All costs associated with travelling to attend the Awards Dinner are to be met by the nominee or the organisation the nominee is employed by. Finalists are welcome to bring additional guests at their own expertise.

The Process:

1. Nominations are made by completing the downloadable forms by 21 July 2023 [found here](#).
2. You will receive an email acknowledging receipt of the nomination.
3. Judges will review all entries and create a shortlist for each award.
4. Finalists will be announced on 4 August 2023.
5. Upon being named a finalist, both nominator and nominee will be contacted with information on next steps.

Got questions? Contact Hillary Riches, Annual Connection Event Manager at hillaryr@connexis.org.nz or 027 565 1961

