



DNZ Awards Criteria Policy and Procedures

APPLICATION

The Board of DNZ, a DNZ club or a member of DNZ may nominate a member of DNZ for a **DNZ Award**

Note – The Awards Committee may on its own nomination consider a person for a DNZ Award

PURPOSE

To define the responsibilities of the **Awards Committee** and to clarify the criteria for selection and privileges associated with a DNZ Award

POLICY

Responsibilities of the Awards Committee

1. The Awards Committee is to:
 - receive and consider all nominations for DNZ Awards
 - consider a person for an award on its own nomination
 - keep confidential all nominations received for DNZ Awards and any representations in support of those nominations
 - make recommendations to the Board for the granting of any DNZ Awards
 - announce any DNZ Awards approved by the Board at the DNZ Annual General Meeting

Criteria

2. Life Membership may be awarded for extended outstanding and exceptional service to DNZ, having regard, but not limited to the nominee's:
 - quality of service over and above routine service to a club, a regional association, the DNZ Board or the sport of diving
 - consistent exercise of initiative beyond the ordinary and normal
 - conferring benefits on the sport of diving over and above those conferred by normal performance

Note - Length of service per se is not to be a consideration

3. An Honours Award may be awarded for exceptional service to DNZ for a period of not less than 8 years (or such lesser period at the discretion of the DNZ Board). An Honours Award will usually be awarded to a nominee who has earlier received a Service Award, however, at the discretion of the DNZ Board, a candidate who has not been awarded a Service Award, may be awarded an Honours Award

4. A Service Award may be awarded where a candidate provides active service of an outstanding nature to the sport of diving, whether to a club, the DNZ Board or the sport of diving, for a period not less than 5 years (or such lesser period at the discretion of the DNZ Board)

Examples of where a Service Award might be granted:

- a. president of a DNZ club for a least 3 years
- b. management/administrative services for at least 4 years
- c. club member for at least 5 years with notable service to their club
- d. active member of a club for at least 10 years

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Privileges

5. A life member is entitled to:
 - attend general meetings with the right to speak but not to vote
 - attend free of charge any competition held under DNZ Rules and Regulations
 - receive a scroll identifying them as a recipient of the DNZ Award of Life Membership
6. A recipient of an Honours Award is entitled to receive a scroll identifying them as a recipient of the DNZ Award of Honours Award
7. A recipient of a Service Award is entitled to receive a scroll identifying them as a recipient of the DNZ Award of Service Award

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PROCEDURES

8. Nominations for any DNZ Award must be received by the Awards Committee no later than 30 November in each year
9. Except where a nomination is made by the awards Committee itself, nominations can be made in writing or by email
10. The Awards Committee is to consider all nominations for DNZ Awards received, including any nomination for a DNZ Award on its own motion
11. The Awards Committee may make recommendations to the Board for granting of any DNZ Award
12. The DNZ Board will approve any DNZ Awards to be granted
13. The Chairman of the Awards Committee is to announce any awards approved by the DNZ Board at the DNZ Annual General Meeting
14. The DNZ Annual General Meeting will receive a report from the Awards Committee and confirm any DNZ member recommended for Life Membership or any other DNZ Award

15. Records of Awards A record of Awards will be kept by the DNZ Administrator and recorded on the DNZ website

DEFINITIONS

Awards Committee means the Awards Committee established in accordance with the clause 11 of the DNZ Constitution

DNZ Award means Service Award, Honours Award or such other Award deemed appropriate by the Awards Committee and DNZ, and DNZ Awards has a corresponding meaning

KEY RELEVANT DOCUMENTS

[DNZ Constitution](#)

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