

2017 RULES OF ENTRY

1. Products must be available for sale in Ireland (in retail outlets, market outlets or by mail order at the time of assessment March 2017).
2. For products that are only available by mail order, the domain address (www.) of a valid website from which products can be bought and shipped to Ireland must be supplied.
3. Products must be 'FreeFrom' at least 1 (one) of the following allergens: celery, crustaceans, eggs, fish, gluten, peanuts, soybeans, milk and products thereof (including lactose), mustard, nuts, sesame seed, sulphur dioxide and sulphites, lupin and molluscs. 'Sugar free' and 'meat free' products are also eligible for entry.
4. Products must be declared to be FreeFrom at least 1 (one) of the products listed in rule 3. on their retail packaging, e.g. "gluten free", "nut free", "dairy free", "egg free", "sugar free" etc.
5. Manufacturers, producers, retailers and/or their representatives ('Entrants'), agree to supply sufficient* sample products for the assessment and judging processes.
6. Samples submitted for the assessment and judging processes must be production products on sale to the public and not pre-production samples.
7. Samples must be submitted in the packaging in which they are sold.
8. The organisers take the product/freedom labelling and any accompanying information at face value and assume that the supplier can justify all claims. If further information is required by the organisers, assessment panel or judging panels, the organisers reserve the right to seek further information from the 'Entrants'.
9. 'Entrants' shall provide a name and contact details for a person who will act as a liaison for the purpose of providing information that may be required by the organisers, assessment panel and judging panels.
10. A completed entry form and entry fee (unless another arrangement is agreed by organisers) must accompany each product.
11. The organisers reserve the right to refuse the entry of any product.
12. Entrants may enter as many products in as many categories as they wish.
13. 'Own label' products may be entered either by retailers, manufacturers or their representatives but only retailers own-brand names will be credited with the entry for Awards.
14. Only specific products, not ranges, will be accepted as entries.
15. All samples must be received by the deadline specified or the product will forfeit its entry into the Awards and its entry fee.
16. The organisers will prepare products for the judging panels according to the printed instructions on the packaging in which the products are sold. In some cases the organisers may take additional instruction on a case by case basis.
17. The organisers reserve the right to change the categories and organisational details without prior notice.
18. The decision of the judging panel is final and the organisers will not enter into any correspondence about the judges' decisions.

IT IS A CONDITION OF ENTRY THAT ALL ENTRANTS WILL BE BOUND BY THESE RULES.

*The quantity of products required for the judging process will be agreed with entrants during the assessment period. For the purpose of the initial assessment – 1 (one) sample of all products must be submitted in the packaging in which they are sold.

