2025 Sustainability Awards

Terms & Conditions

1. Eligibility

The Royal Sustainability Awards (the "Award") is open to individuals, groups, companies, non-profits, not-for-profits, colleges, and universities.

- Entrants must be legal residents of Canada and aged 18 or older at the time of entry. Those under 18 must have permission from a parent or guardian to participate.

2. Submission Requirements

- All entries must include a short video presentation (maximum 4 minutes) or a PowerPoint, Google Slides or similar presentation detailing the innovative business model or technology focused on tech-supported sustainable agriculture.
- Submissions must showcase a measurable impact (or potential to make a measurable impact) on sustainable agriculture tech in Canada.
- The design and/or incubation of innovative technologies must enable sustainable consumption practices, extend the lifespan of food, and/or aid in the transformation of organic waste.
- Entries must be submitted electronically through the designated online platform by the closing date of **Wednesday**, **October 8**, **2025**.

3. Prizes

- The Grand Prize winner will receive \$2,000 CAD towards their proposed idea.
- The Second and Third Place winners will each receive \$500 CAD towards their proposed idea.

- All prize amounts are awarded in Canadian dollars and are subject to applicable federal, provincial, and local taxes, which are the sole responsibility of the winners.

4. Winner Notification

- Finalists will be notified by email by Wednesday, October 15th, 2025.

Winners will be awarded onsite at The Royal and a ceremonial cheque presentation will be made. The prize cheques will be mailed to the winner and finalists within three weeks of the conclusion of the Fair.

If a winner cannot be contacted, fails to respond within 7 days of the initial contact, or fails to comply with these Terms & Conditions, the winner may be disqualified, and the sponsor reserves the right to select an alternate winner from the remaining eligible entries.

5. General Conditions

- By entering, participants agree to abide by these Terms & Conditions and the decisions of the judges, which are final and binding.
- Participants grant The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair the right to use their name, company or institution name, idea name, likeness, and submission materials for promotional purposes without further compensation.
- Entrants may also be photographed, filmed, or interviewed for promotional materials related to the Award and the Fair. Participation in these promotional activities is voluntary, and entrants may decline to be photographed, filmed, or interviewed by notifying the event organizers at the time of their selection as a finalist or at any point during the event.

6. Limitation of Liability

- The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair is not responsible for any technical issues, miscommunications, or other failures beyond its control that may affect the entry process or the outcome of the Award.
- By participating in the Royal Sustainability Awards, participants agree to release and hold harmless the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair and their subsidiaries, affiliates, and agencies from any claims or damages arising out of participation in the Award or the acceptance, use, or misuse of any prize.

7. Privacy

- Any personal information collected during the course of the Award will be used solely for the purposes of administering the Award and in accordance with the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair's Privacy Policy.

8. Governing Law

- The Award and these Terms & Conditions are governed by the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein.