



## Australian School-based Apprentice of the Year Award Criteria

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### Eligibility

Nominees for the above award:

- will be permanent residents of Australia who have completed or are completing a Certificate III qualification through an Australian School-based Apprenticeship and are still enrolled at school
- AND**
- have won the equivalent award in an Australian state or territory in 2012.

*The winners of the 2012 state/territory awards in this category can nominate for the Australian Training Awards. The **original application** from winners of this category addressing the award criteria below and submitted through the state/territory training awards process will be used.*

*Applications to the state/territory training awards process are to be in 12 pt font and a maximum of five (5) A4 pages plus five (5) pages in attachments (no more than 10 pages in total).*

*The award criteria should be the focus of your application; however any relevant evidence may be provided so long as it does not exceed the required page limit.*

### Preparing your application

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#### **Section A: Overview**

Provide a short overview covering a description of the qualification you enrolled in, your Registered Training Organisation and employer (if applicable) as well as your reason for choosing this industry and training path.

#### **Section B: Applicants will be judged against the following criteria**

*Criterion 1: Career and study achievements*

*Criterion 2: Communication, team and leadership skills*

*Criterion 3: Ability to represent the national training system at a broader level*

*Criterion 4: Other pursuits*

## Addressing the criteria

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In your application, you must present your information in a way that clearly addresses the award criteria. Judging panels will be looking for evidence of how your training has contributed to your career and study plans, to the development of your skills and your achievements to date, as well as any way in which your training may have helped you to achieve other pursuits.

In developing your application, you may wish to take into account some of the considerations outlined below.

***These considerations are not additional criteria, but are provided to give clarification of what may be relevant to include when writing against the criteria.***

### ***Criterion 1: Career and study achievements***

Consider things such as:

- description of work placements and the skills learnt
- reasons for choosing an Australian School-based Apprenticeship
- how an Australian School-based Apprenticeship is assisting in employment, career and training plans
- competency results.

### ***Criterion 2: Communication, team and leadership skills***

Consider any skills you have developed through your training, such as:

- effective oral and written communication
- your level of self-reliance and resilience in times of challenge
- effective team participation
- leadership and promotion of your training, industry, school or other things you are involved in
- your capacity to be an effective ambassador for your industry, community and Australia.

### ***Criterion 3: Ability to represent the national training system at a broader level***

Tell us about:

- any knowledge or understanding you have gained of new developments and trends in your workplace or industry and the vocational education and training system
- any messages you might have that could encourage others who are interested in entering your training pathway.

### ***Criterion 4: Other pursuits***

You may wish to include information about:

- your achievements in areas other than study and work
- your involvement in the community
- letters and/or certificates acknowledging your involvement or achievements.