

LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECOGNITION AWARD – Selection Criteria & Process

The purpose of this award is to acknowledge the efforts of a local government area that has provided exceptional support to the growth and development of golf in their community through policies, initiatives, and partnerships.

Award Period

- 1 July 2024 – 30 June 2025

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for consideration, the nominee must:

- Be an Australian Local Government Authority (e.g., city council, shire council, regional council).
- The Local Government Authority must have demonstrated a clear and positive impact on golf within their community during the 12-month award period, through one or more of the following:
 - Investment in or maintenance of golf infrastructure (e.g. public courses, driving ranges, practice facilities)
 - Inclusion of golf in strategic plans, policies, or active recreation frameworks
 - Partnership with golf clubs, schools, or organisations to deliver programs or events
 - Support for diversity, inclusion, and access in golf (e.g. women & girls, juniors, seniors, multicultural communities, people with disability)
- The Local Government Authority must have shown a commitment to supporting community access, increasing participation, and promoting golf as a healthy, inclusive activity.
- The outcomes or initiatives should be measurable and demonstrate impact at the local or regional level.

Nomination Process

- Nominations open on: Wednesday 4 June 2025
- Nominations close on: Sunday 13 July 2025
- All nominations must be submitted by 11:59 PM AEST on the closing date. Late or incomplete submissions will not be accepted.
- Nominations may be submitted by club or facility staff, members, volunteers, community organisations, council representatives, or governing bodies.
- Self-nominations are accepted and encouraged, provided they include supporting documentation/testimonials.

Selection Criteria

The recipient of this award will be selected based on achieving one or more of the following criteria and at the discretion of the Golf Australia National Awards of Excellence Selection Committee:

- Has contributed to significant golf facility redevelopment, development or design that provides benefit to its' community.
- Understood the role that golf plays in environmental sustainability and contributed to relevant initiatives or programs.
- Has partnered with golf clubs, facilities, and places to play to ensure 'More Australians Play More Golf'.
- Helped workforce participation and engagement in golf clubs, facilities and places to play.
- Engagement and alignment with the strategy for Australian Golf 2022– 2025.

Supporting Documentation

You may upload up to five (5) supporting documents to assist the selection committee in assessing and comparing nominations, such as:

- a. Project summaries or reports detailing golf-related initiatives or investments.
- b. Photos or videos of golf programs, facilities, or events supported by the LGA.
- c. Letters of support from golf clubs, community partners, or regional golf bodies.
- d. Participation or engagement data linked to supported programs or facilities.
- e. Strategic plans or policy excerpts showing commitment to golf or active recreation.

Selection Process & Timelines

Activity	Date/Timeline
Promotion Commences & Nominations Open	Wednesday 4 June 2025
Nominations Close	Sunday 13 July 2025
Judging Period & Selection	Monday 21 July – Friday 25 July 2025
Finalist Announcement	Week commencing 28 July 2025
Award Announcements	From 1 September 2025

Requirements of Award Recipients

The successful recipients will be required to fulfill the following items upon reasonable request:

- Participate in marketing and promotional activities in the 12 months following the award.
- Participate in Golf Australia pilot programs and initiatives.