



# WOMEN IN DEFENCE AWARDS 2021

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## CALL FOR ENTRIES

Enter online at  
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Entries close 4pm,  
Thursday 1 April 2021



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# About the Awards

The Women In Defence Awards program celebrates talented, determined, successful women who make a positive impact in the defence business arena, as members of Defence industry, Australian Public Service (APS) or in uniform.

Submissions can be self nominated or entered by a third party.

**Eligible achievements to have taken place in the 2020 calendar year.**

Entries will close at **4pm, Thursday 1 April 2021.**

Submissions will be reviewed by a panel of judges during a live session in May 2021.

The Awards will be presented at a gala dinner at The National Arboretum Canberra on **30 July 2021**. Post event, the formalities will be available to watch online via the ADM website

An entry fee of \$40.00 inc GST is payable for each entry submitted. A receipt will be issued once payment has been processed.

## CATEGORIES

- a. **COMMUNICATIONS:** Awarded to the defence community's most outstanding female individual working within the communications/marketing/stakeholder engagement field.
- b. **ENGINEERING:** Awarded to the defence community's most outstanding female individual working within the engineering field. This category is open to all disciplines within the engineering community.
- c. **LEGAL/CONTRACTING:** Awarded to the defence community's most outstanding female individual working within the legal/contracting field. Applicants do not have to be lawyers per se.
- d. **OPERATIONS:** Awarded to the Defence Community's most outstanding female individual to recognize efforts of women in deployed/remote areas with a focus on logistics, services and support roles.
- e. **PEOPLE & CULTURE:** Awarded to the defence community's most outstanding female individual who has developed and /or administered initiatives to support women in the defence community.
- f. **PROJECT MANAGEMENT:** Awarded to the defence community's most outstanding female individual working within project management.
- g. **RISING STAR (30 YEARS AND UNDER):** Awarded to the defence community's most outstanding female individual aged under 30 years (at 31 December 2020).
- h. **TECHNICAL TRADE:** Awarded to the defence community's most outstanding female individual working within operations, production or trade fields.
- i. **Research and Development:** Awarded to the defence community's most outstanding academic or researcher working on Defence related matters.
- j. **HALL OF FAME LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:** This is not a category that can be entered. Judges will select a recipient who will be recognised at the gala dinner event in July.

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# How to Enter

## Step 1: Determine eligibility

To be eligible, the individual being nominated must have been employed in the defence business arena, as members of Defence industry, Australian Public Service (APS) or in uniform during the 2020 calendar year.

## Step 2: Choose the most appropriate category

Select the category that best suits the individual's skills. Written responses must be typed into the appropriate text boxes. All entries have a 250 word limit per question that cannot be exceeded.

## Step 3: Prepare the relevant supporting materials

Entrants are encouraged to provide relevant supporting material if it helps to explain the individuals achievements. Please limit supporting materials to 3 examples. These can include a CV/resume, reference letters or case studies.

A high resolution head-shot photo of the individual being nominated is required for all entries (minimum 300 DPI).

The supporting materials may be used should the individual be selected as a finalist. Please ensure you have gained the relevant approvals before submitting any materials.

## Step 4: Submit your entry online

Complete the entry process and payment online at [www.australiandefence.com.au](http://www.australiandefence.com.au) and ensure to upload your supporting material and headshot photo. All entries must be submitted online by 4pm, Thursday 1 April 2021.

## Queries

Please contact Two de Force:

**T** (02) 9281 8788 **E** [events@twodefence.com.au](mailto:events@twodefence.com.au)

## Nomination Tips

Make it relevant to the 2020 milestone.

Tell a story, anecdotes to support data is important.

Out of hours activities to support the defence community are welcome.

Judges are looking to get a sense of the person alongside their achievements.

**ENTRY TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** By entering the Women In Defence Awards (WIDA), submitting entrants agree to the following rules and conditions of entry. The Awards are open to entries from Australian-based individuals only. The relevant eligibility period is between 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020. Ensure all creative material, reference to work, performance and results are within this time frame. More than one entry may be submitted by an individual in any given category. Please make sure all entry details are entered accurately, including grammar. Details collected through the entry phase will be used in the Awards presentation and in print if selected as a finalist. Entries must not exceed 250 words per question. Entries that exceed the word count will not be accepted. Entries received after 4pm, Thursday 1st April 2021 will not be eligible for consideration. All entries are treated as confidential. Judges reserve the right to move an entry to another category if deemed more suitable. The decision of the judges will be final and no correspondence will be entered into. Scores and comments will not be disclosed. The entrant grants ADM permission to show the entries at the Awards Presentation and in the magazine in print and online at such times as deemed appropriate. Finalists and winners will be covered in the ADM winners supplement using information from the entry. If there is specific information in your entry that is commercially sensitive and should not be published please make this clear at the time you submit your entry. The entrant agrees that ADM and Two de Force will not accept responsibility for errors or omissions reproduced in the Presentation or the winners supplement or for work lost or damaged under any circumstances. Finalists will be notified in May 2021 and will need to be available to attend the awards dinner on 30 July in Canberra. Contact details of finalists will be provided to third parties looking to offer their congratulations.

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*ADM* is at the forefront of industry news and prides itself on valuing those in the defence community who make a positive impact on it.

This awards program is a timely celebration of the women who are successful in a role across the defence sector. *ADM* is looking to recognise and reward the women who play an integral part in various facets of the industry.

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