

# APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR (OVER 25) AWARD CRITERIA



**This Award recognises apprentices over the age of 25 who are making a valuable contribution to the Australian welding and fabrication industry. The individual should demonstrate a high level of skill, knowledge or craftsmanship, be dedicated to their profession, and have professional development plans in place.**

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**You must be a current 2026 Weld Australia member to apply for this award.** If you are unsure about your membership status or would like to join, please email [membership@weldaustralia.com.au](mailto:membership@weldaustralia.com.au) or phone David Choudry (Membership Manager) on 0417 878 104.

You will need the following information on hand to complete your online entry form. The online entry form can be accessed via: <https://weldaustralia.com.au/2026-welding-excellence-awards/>

**Please note: the online entry form cannot be saved. It must be fully completed in the one sitting.**

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## Contact Details (of both the Nominator and the Apprentice)

First Name	Last Name	Title
Company Name	Email Address	Phone Number
Street Address		

## Photos

Please upload two photos of the apprentice - one should be an action shot of them working, the other should be a head shot. These photos will be used for promotional purposes, including but not limited to: PowerPoint presentations at event ceremonies, in Weld Australia's newsletters, EDMs, magazines, social media and website. By uploading photos, you confirm that you have the permission of all people photographed for their use in promotional purposes. Please note that the files must be either a JPEG or a PNG. The file must also be over 1MG in size, but the larger the better.

## Brief Biography (500 words maximum)

Please provide a brief biography of the apprentice being nominated for the Award. This should include details of any training or qualifications, a summary of their professional experience, their key skills, and any major projects or achievements. It should also summarise why they deserve to win the award.

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### High Level of Skill, Knowledge or Craftsmanship (500 words maximum)

Outline how the apprentice demonstrates a high level of skill, knowledge or craftsmanship in their day-to-day role. This may include specific examples of projects or client work.

### Dedication to Their Profession (500 words maximum)

Outline how the apprentice demonstrates dedication to their profession. This might include creating a positive company culture, being reliable, seeking feedback, meeting client deadlines, or volunteering to help.

### Professional Development Plans (500 words maximum)

Outline the professional development plan and future aspirations that the welding professional has in place. This might include training that they are currently undertaking or future plans for training, as well as on-the-job learning.

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