

## Cast Away Awards Terms & Conditions - Please Read Before You Submit

How will my submission be judged?

The information you enter and files you upload will be reviewed by three separate judges individually, who will use the back end of the Submittable platform that you are using to submit.

They will be listening to your podcast on their browser, and answering a series of questions that will attempt to quantify the quality of your podcast across different judging criteria, which are based on the category of the podcast, and our Guiding Principles, seen below.

How much of my podcast will be listened to by the judges?

Due to potential time constraints placed on the judging panel – and depending on how many podcasts enter the Cast Away Awards - it is most likely that your podcast won't be listened to in full.

The length of segment to be listened to by the judge will be calculated based on numbers of podcasts entered and size of judging panel on the day of submission deadline. Whatever that figure is in minutes, it will be the same for every podcast.

Who is eligible to enter Cast Away?

Anyone who has a podcast that is hosted or co-hosted by at least one person who is an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia. Also, there needs to be an intention of releasing new episodes or a new series of your podcast.

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*By agreeing to the Cast Away Awards Terms & Conditions:*

- 1. The podcaster confirms that they have permission to use all of the material they are submitting, and that the podcast they are submitting is their own intellectual property.*
- 2. The podcaster confirms that their podcast does not promote violence, hatred or malicious intent.*
- 3. The podcaster permits Cast Away to make public the fact that their podcast is participating in the awards.*
- 4. The podcaster allows Cast Away to communicate important messages to all podcasters who have supplied their email address.*
- 5. The podcaster trusts Cast Away to conduct a fair and authentic judging process, and that the judging panel's decision will be final.*
- 6. The podcaster confirms that at least one host or co-host on the podcast is an Australian citizen or an Australian resident.*
- 7. The podcaster confirms that they intend to release more episodes of their podcast, or a new series of episodes for their audience to consume.*
- 8. The podcaster confirms that their podcast is available for anyone in the world to download for free.*

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9. *The podcaster confirms that if they are under 18 years old, a parent or guardian has given them permission to enter the Cast Away Awards.*
10. *The podcaster agrees that Cast Away reserves the right to select a different category for their submission to the one the podcaster has chosen, and that this will be done consultatively by Cast Away.*
11. *The podcaster agrees that Cast Away may alter the judging panel and judging process, if necessary, before judging commences.*
12. *The podcaster recognises that Cast Away's judges have signed an agreement to ensure no conflict of interest will affect their assessments.*
13. *The podcaster confirms that if they win an award, but cannot attend the awards event in Sydney on 25th March 2017, they will cover the costs of shipping the prizes to their preferred location.*
14. *The podcaster agrees that if their podcast wins a Cast Away Award, they will only receive one of each of whatever the prize is.*
15. *The podcaster recognises that any changes to this agreement after the podcast has agreed, will be communicated responsibly to them by Cast Away.*

## Cast Away's Guiding Principles

1. *Cast Away recognises and celebrates diversity in Australian podcasting, from both the point of view of podcasters, and podcast listeners.*
2. *Cast Away celebrates Australian podcasts that:*
  - a. *Are engaging, compelling, and provide value to their listeners.*
  - b. *Are engaging, addictive or binge-worthy to their listeners.*
  - c. *Sound clear and are not unpleasant on their listeners' ears.*
3. *Cast Away also wishes to celebrate podcasts that explore the boundaries of what can be done with the podcast medium.*
4. *Cast Away wishes to recognise podcasts that convert one-time listeners into fans of the medium.*
5. *Cast Away celebrates podcasts that give joy, laughs, thrills, suspense or life-changing moments to their listeners.*
6. *Cast Away celebrates podcasts that provide profound insight on topics explored within episodes.*
7. *Cast Away wishes to recognise podcasters who are committed to their audiences.*