

WISPAA 2024

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The 2024 Women in Sport Photo Action Awards (“**WISPAA**”) photography competition is conducted by Women Sport Australia Inc (“**WSA**”).

Set out below are the terms and conditions for entering the WISPAA competition.

Information on how to enter and on prizes form part of the terms and conditions. Entry into this competition deems acceptance of these terms and conditions.

Categories

In 2024, there are three WISPAA categories in which awards will be awarded. These categories are:

- (a) Professional photographers;
- (b) Amateur photographers; and
- (c) Emerging photographers (either professional or amateur) aged under 21 as at 8 April 2024.

Professional photographers: One winner’s award and two runner up awards will be awarded for action photos that meet the qualifying criteria set out below taken by professional photographers. A professional photographer is a photographer who is employed or contracted to take photos or who otherwise sells photos for commercial gain, including via online channels. Each entrant will be asked to identify as a professional or amateur photographer, although WSA retains its discretion to recategorise any photographer into a different category. Entrants in the emerging photographer category can be either professional or amateur and can enter in the emerging category as well as in the professional/amateur category, as the case may be.

Amateur photographers: One winner’s award and two runner up awards will be awarded for action photos that meet the qualifying criteria set out below taken by amateur photographers.

Emerging photographers: One winner’s award and up to two runner up awards will be awarded for action photos that meet the qualifying criteria set out below taken by emerging photographers. An emerging photographer is someone aged under 21 as at 8 April 2024.

An **action photo** means a **photo of a woman or women actively participating in sport in Australia, subject to the qualifying criteria set out below.**

Entry

Entry is free.

In 2024, each photographer can submit **a maximum of five photos** in the category that applies to them.

To qualify, entrants **must**:

- Submit:
 - their name, date of birth, postcode, phone contact, email, action photos, and caption identifying the woman/women in each photo; and

- the date each photo was published, site where each photo was published, the link to published photos if available, or a picture of a tear-out of the published photos;
- Be the creator of any photo he/she enters. Any editing must be the work of the entrant and/or in the professional category the entrant's employer and is limited to cropping and/or resizing as outlined in the qualifying criteria set out below;
- Own the copyright of the photo entered (if the entrant is in the amateur/emerging photographer categories) or the entrant or the entrant's employer (if the entrant is in the professional category or is in the emerging photographer category and is a professional photographer) must own the copyright of the photo entered;
- Be an Australian resident;
- Grant WSA a perpetual, non-exclusive, royalty-free and sub-licensable right to use, modify or adapt their submitted photos:
 - In WSA publicity;
 - In WSA publications and on WSA's website and social media channels;
 - At any future awards exhibition, WSA community/schools exhibitions and at other WSA events;
- Grant WSA partners a limited, non-exclusive and royalty-free right to use their submitted photos in connection with, and for the duration of, the WSA partners' sponsorship of WISPAA (including the awards and any future awards exhibitions) and of WSA and its events;
- Warrant that they are able to provide the rights granted above and the images are not otherwise restricted by any intellectual property rights or moral rights held by any other individual or organisation or by contractual prohibitions (such as venue conditions of entry);
- Warrant that they have entered in the correct category and, in particular, if the entrant has entered in the amateur category, that they do not sell photos for commercial gain; and
- Have the permission of their parent/guardian to enter this competition and provide their personal information for the purposes set out in these terms and conditions, if the entrant is aged under 18 as at the date of entering the competition.

By submitting photos via the entry process, entrants guarantee that all of the entry requirements and photo qualifying criteria have been met.

Photo Qualifying Criteria

To qualify, the photos must:

- Have been taken and published in the qualifying period: **1 May 2023 – 30 April 2024**;
- Feature a sportswoman or sportswomen actively participating in sport in Australia at any level. The sport can be amateur or professional. Images of women participating in sport outside of Australia may not be entered;
- Not be subject to any contractual prohibitions that preclude the use of the photos in accordance with the grant of the licence above (e.g., venue conditions of entry);

- Not be in breach of any laws, regulations and rights, e.g., any laws regarding intellectual property (copyright, trademarks, etc), defamation and privacy;
- Not be defamatory, obscene, derogatory, pornographic, sexually inappropriate, contain nudity, aggressive, violent, abusive, harassing, threatening, objectionable or discriminate/vilify any section of the community with respect to race, ethnicity, nationality, religion, origin, sexual preference, mental illness, disability or gender or unsuitable for publication;
- Not contain viruses;
- Not feature any females aged under 18 unless the express consent of their parent/guardian has been obtained and provided with the submission;
- Not feature any sportswoman or other person who has objected to their image being submitted into the WISPAA competition;
- Only have been entered in one category (other than emerging photographers, who may enter in more than one category);
- Not have been edited, filtered or photoshopped, other than for cropping or resizing purposes; and
- Be uploaded with a minimum resolution of 300dpi, JPEG format, with metadata included. Photos must be printable to at least 11x14 (279x354mm).

WSA reserves the right to withdraw any photo that contravenes these terms and conditions.

Judging Process

Entries open on Monday 8 April 2024 and close at 11.59pm on Sunday 5 May 2024.

Finalists will be announced on Monday 20 May 2024. Winners will be announced on Thursday 30 May 2024 at an awards function in Sydney.

Finalists and winners will be advised by their supplied phone/email and will be invited to the awards function. Finalists will be responsible for their own costs associated with travelling to the Sydney awards function.

Judges will primarily judge photos on the basis of how they display athleticism, strength and skill of a woman or women participating in sport. The judges will also take into account secondary considerations of technical quality, creativity, composition, use of colour, lighting, storytelling and impact.

Chance plays no part in determining the winner. The judges' decision is final and binding and no correspondence will be entered into.

Winners and runner up photographers will provide reasonable cooperation to WSA to act as ambassadors to promote the WISPAA competition for the 12 months following announcement of their awards. WSA will also provide an opportunity for winners, runners up and finalists in the Emerging and Amateur categories to submit their photos for distribution via the WSA channel on the www.unsplash.com platform or other WSA photo publication platforms.

Any amateur photographer who wins the amateur category more than once will be elevated into and judged in the professional category for any photos they submit in future WISPAA competitions.

Prizes

The overall winners in each of the categories as determined by the judges will be awarded the following prize:

Professional category: \$1,000 cash

Amateur category: \$1,000 cash

Emerging category: \$500 cash

WSA reserves the right to supplement cash prizes with additional prize elements and will announce any additions to the prizes prior to, or at, the awards function on 30 May 2024.

Privacy

WSA will collect and handle your personal information in accordance with its Privacy Policy available at <https://www.womensportaustralia.com.au/>.

General

To the extent of any inconsistency between these terms and conditions and any other reference to this competition, these terms and conditions prevail.

WSA reserves the right to amend these terms and conditions including, without limitation, competition dates or entry times. WSA may also cancel or suspend this competition if an event beyond the control of WSA corrupts or affect the administration security, fairness, integrity or proper conduct of this competition.

WSA will disqualify any individual who has tampered with the entry process or any other aspect of this competition.

WSA reserves the right, at any time, to verify the validity of entries and entrants (including but not limited to entrant identity and location of photos) and disqualify any entrant who is not an eligible entrant or who submits an entry that is not in accordance with these terms and conditions.

These terms and conditions are governed by the laws of the State of Victoria and each entrant agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of Victoria.