



# Application to become a Recognised Qualifying Competition for Entry to WorldStar

Please complete the following:

Name of competition	
Name of competition organisers	
Name of key contact	
Address	
Phone number	
Mobile number	
E-mail	
Organisation web site	
Competition web site	
Social Media Account	
Date on which the competition was first launched	

Along with this form, please include the following:

- 1. Countries/regions from where entries are accepted:
- 2. A copy/web site link for published award categories, details of the judges and criteria for judging each category
- 3. Details of how the judging process is organised:
  - o How are the judges selected?
  - o Describe the Judging Process?
  - o Briefly describe the actual judging process

"In submitting this application, I confirm that neither the organisers nor any other individual, group or organisation is in a position to influence the outcome of this competition, has a direct commercial or other interest in the outcome of the competition."









## Appendix 1

## Criteria for Recognition of Qualifying Competitions for WorldStar

Applicant competitions should meet the following criteria:

- 1. In all but exceptional circumstances, competitions should be nationally/regionally based i.e. only accept entries that have a direct connection with the specified country/region
- 2. In cases where the applicant organisation is not a full member of the WPO, the competition should have been operational for a **minimum of three years** to ensure its integrity and recognition
- 3. Competitions can be either specifically for packaging or for related fields e.g. particular materials, design, marketing campaign etc. However, **the pack itself** should be judged rather than some other aspect, for example a promotional campaign or particular material in its own right
- 4. The category titles being judged in the national/regional competition and judging criteria in each of them should be published
- 5. The competition's judging process should be open to scrutiny and judges' names published
- 6. The organisers should be free from any direct commercial interest in the outcome of the competition so that allegations of conflict of interest are avoided

### Appendix 2

#### Decisions on recognition

Following submission of an application, the WPO reserves the right to seek more information about a competition from the organisers or from elsewhere.

After considering an application, the WPO can either:

- 1. Accept the application as it stands
- 2. Reject the application but specify changes to be implemented within atimescale following which the application will be accepted
- 3. Reject the application in which case clear reasons will be given to the applicant organisation

An unsuccessful competition may re-submit for recognition two years following decision to reject a previous application.

To maintain the continuing integrity of WorldStar, the WPO also reserves the right, following discussion at a full WPO Board meeting, to withdraw recognition from a qualifying competition. In this case, reasons will be given and an opportunity to address these within a specified timescale allowed.

In all cases, the decision of the WPO will be final and binding.