

Contestant ENTRY FORM



HOW TO ENTER

Please complete the digital contestant entry form attached in adobe acrobat and return your completed form by email to pukekoheyonggrower@gmail.com before 4pm on Monday 25 March.

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY 25 MARCH AT 4PM.

If you have any questions relating to the competition or entry form, please contact:

Kirit Makan

Phone: 021 967 641

Email: pukekoheyonggrower@gmail.com

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. Contestants must be currently working full time in the fruit and vegetable industry in an organisation that is closely associated with growing.
2. Contestants must be 30 years of age or under as at 31 December 2024.
3. Contestants must show evidence of completing a minimum of three years practical work experience in the fruit and vegetable industry with the regional coordinators ensuring the 3 years practical experience is met. e.g. letter from employer.
4. To enter the competition the application form must be completed and emailed to the contact person on or before the close off date.
5. Contestants must be available, if selected, to compete in the Young Grower of the Year competition in Pukekohe 4th - 5th October 2024. (All travel costs will be met by Horticulture New Zealand).
6. The contestant agrees that if they win Young Grower of the Year they must be available to compete in the Market Innovation Project (date to be confirmed) and the Young Horticulturist of the Year competition (to be confirmed).
7. Contestants agree to abide by the competition rules.
8. All entrants must be familiar with health and safety issues associated with competition activities and follow the procedures set in place on the day.
9. Must be a New Zealand citizen or hold a current New Zealand residency permit.
10. The winners of the competitions will be expected to be available for promotional purposes and give interviews as required to the media at and following the event.
11. The contestant will be available to promote the competition where applicable, this will include live streaming on the day of event.
12. Final decision on entrant eligibility at organising committee's discretion.
13. The competition has an emphasis on practical production (on/ or close to farm) skills and business skills associated with growing and industry knowledge. The term "grower" includes those involved in growing plus those roles closely associated with growing such as pack house and coolstore employees. This does not include service providers such as bankers and consultants.

CONTESTANTS MAY REAPPLY TO REGIONAL COMPETITIONS EVEN IF THEY HAVE WON YOUNG FRUIT GROWER OR YOUNG VEGETABLE GROWER. HOWEVER THE WINNER OF THE YOUNG GROWER OF THE YEAR CANNOT REAPPLY AT A REGIONAL OR NATIONAL LEVEL.

First name:	Surname:
Date of birth:	Name of employer:
Position held:	
Postal address:	

Daytime telephone:	Evening telephone:
Mobile:	Email address:

I have read and understood the conditions of entry. (tick circle)

Dated / /

Signed: _____
Contestant Employer

Questions (Please attach additional page/s if you need more space for your answers)

1. List your major achievements and contribution to the fruit or vegetable industry. How have you made a difference?

2. What are the qualities or skills that you bring to the industry?

3. Outline your work experience for the last three years:

4. List your qualifications:

5. Your profile – please write a short profile on yourself for publication in our programme (approx. 100 words).

Include: your background, your current role, why you are entering the competition, what you hope to get out of it, your greatest achievement, your interests outside work, your family.

6. Any other comments: