



## **IoD Jersey Director of the Year Awards 2026**

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### **1. Do I have to be an IoD member to apply to the awards?**

No, our awards are open to entry to both IoD members and non-members. The only exception is where a region awards a Chartered Director of the Year Award – only IoD members can be awarded this award.

#### **2. I'm not a director, am I still able to apply?**

Yes, so long as your role is one that makes decisions for a business at a senior level, then generally you can apply for our awards – please make sure to read the eligibility criteria for the category you'd like to apply for. Some categories are naturally aimed at non-directors i.e. Public and Third Sector, or Start-up & Young.

#### **3. Is there an entry fee?**

No, our awards are completely free to enter.

#### **4. Can I apply to multiple categories?**

No, nominees may only apply in one category, so they will need to choose the one most relevant to them.

#### **5. Can someone else fill in an application for me on my behalf?**

Yes, it's fine for someone else i.e. an assistant, to fill in an application on your behalf, but we would ask that they use first person to respond to questions and be clear who the nominee for the award is.

## **6. How are the awards judged?**

Each region employs an impartial panel of judges – made up of previous awards winners, IoD Fellows and exceptional members of the business community – to judge all applications multiple times, once the application period has closed. Our judges follow a clear set of criteria to complete judging and finalists for each category are chosen based on the highest percentage of scorers.

## **7. Do I apply on behalf of my company?**

Our Director of the Year Awards look to celebrate your personal achievements – while we recognise that many achievements are made through teamwork and the support of your colleagues and employees, we want to hear about your efforts in making it happen.

In your application you will be asked to list your company name and this information will be used in press releases; where you have ties to multiple companies, we recommend listing the name of the company which supports the evidence you give in your application best.

## **8. Why can't I apply for the 'Chair's Award for Excellence' category?**

This award is the highest accolade in the Director of the Year Awards, recognising the personal imprint of the UK's most high-profile leaders on the culture and success of their organisations through outstanding professionalism and the implementation of best practice in governance and leadership. Winners will be selected by our national or regional IoD Chair.

If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact our team on [events@iod.com](mailto:events@iod.com).