



Fire-Ed Up

IGNITE A PASSION FOR BUSHFIRE EDUCATION



Terms and Conditions

The 2023 Fire-Ed Up Challenge (the Competition) is administered by the Hunter Innovation and Science Hub ABN: 82 137 947 600

The competition aims to deepen students' understanding of bushfires, their consequences, and the application of STEM in minimising and handling bushfire hazards, whilst fostering a sense of responsibility, community engagement, and inspiring careers in STEM sectors related to bushfire management. Students will have 6-weeks to complete a STEM-based design sprint focused on challenges posed by bushfires and the Australian bushfire management sector. Teams will select from a set of three scenarios and design a solution presented either as a 90-second video pitch or poster. Agreeing to these Rules: By checking the checkbox on the registration page and registering to enter the Competition, the Applicant(s) agree to abide by these Rules.

1. Eligibility

The Competition is open to teams consisting of between two (2) to four (4) individuals. Teams must not exceed four (4) members (Team).

2. Applicants

All Applicants must:

- have a nominated adult [18+] to be the contact person between the Competition administration team and the Applicant;
- be Australian citizens or Australian residents;
- be enrolled in Year 4 - 12 in a school located in Australia or are home-schooled in Australia in 2023; and
- have their /legal guardian's permission to participate in the Competition.

3. Entry

Applicants may enter the Competition by online application between 9:00am (AEST) 9 October 2023 and 11:59pm (AEST) 24 December 2023; in accordance with these Rules;

- Complete an online application
- Have a parent/guardians' permission to participate (Administered by the school)



4. Competition

Submissions are limited to one per Applicant(s) and must.

- be submitted by uploading a link in accordance with the instructions on the Fire-Ed Up site between 9:00am (AEST) 9 October 2023 and 11:59pm (AEST) 24 November 2023 (and no later);
- be made in strict accordance with these Rules. Any submissions not made in strict accordance with these Rules will not be considered.
- not contain any intellectual property, including footage, images, artwork, programming or sounds that are not created by the Applicant, unless such content is included as part of the media library or is free for public use - this should not exceed more than 10% over the overall animation time.
- be solely the Applicant's original work and must not be created in collaboration with any other individual or entity not registered as part of the Applicants submission (2-4 students per entry);
- be 'G' rated, or E 10+ (senior category) and comply with the Competition classification guidelines located on website.

5. Security and Media Release

Each applicant must retain a copy of their submission. The Hunter Innovation and Science Hub provides no guarantee or warranty as to the confidentiality or security of any submission. Each applicant specifically releases Hunter Innovation and Science Hub from any claims or liability relating to breach of confidentiality or any loss or damage to the applicant's submission when lodging their submission.

6. Winning Entries

A prize will be awarded for each submission judged to be the best in its Division. A panel of Judges will review and independently score all entries. All submissions will be judged based on the rubric criteria. The decision of the judges is both final and confidential, and no correspondence with applicants will be entered into.

7. Prizes

The decision as to prizes will be in Hunter Innovation and Science Hubs absolute and sole discretion and will be final with no correspondence entered into. Prizes will be published on the Fire-Ed Up website.

8. Disqualification

The Hunter Innovation and Science Hub may, in its sole discretion, refuse, disqualify any and all applicants or applicants from, and prohibit further participation, in the competition, if they act in violation of these rules or in any way in connection with the competition. What constitutes misconduct aligns with NSW DoE assessment protocol and is in the sole discretion of the Hunter Innovation and Science Hub and/or its representatives.

9. Termination of Competition

If for any reason the competition or any part thereof is not able to be conducted the Hunter Innovation and Science Hub or its partners may in its sole discretion cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the competition, or invalidate any affected applications or registrations, subject to the approval of the relevant authorities, if required.

10. Intellectual Property

The intellectual property in any submission created by any applicants remains the sole property of the relevant applicant.

11. License

Applicants who have been successful in the competition grant the Hunter Innovation and Science Hub and its personnel, contractors and agents an irrevocable, worldwide, non-exclusive, royalty free, fully paid up licence (including the right to sublicense) to use, publish, reproduce, communicate and broadcast the submission and any other material the applicant supplies the Hunter Innovation and Science Hub for the purposes of the competition and the intellectual property in the same for the purposes of: the competition; to conduct of future competitions; and for purposes directly or indirectly related to the competition and future competitions. Applicants may be asked to provide a written talent release form signed by a parent and teacher.

12. Moral rights consent and waiver

Applicants consent to (or waive any rights in respect of) The Hunter Innovation and Science Hub or its agents or licensees performing any act or making any omission relating to their submission concerning attribution of authorship (whether correctly attributed or not) or its use in connection with the competition in any context.

13. Warranties

Applicants WARRANT:

- that applicant has the sole and full right and authority to accept these terms and conditions and enter into the competition and grant the rights set out in this agreement;
- no part of the submission is, or will be, actionable for defamation or violate any right of privacy or publicity of any person, and the full use of the rights in the submission will not violate any rights of any person, firm or corporation;
- that they have obtained all necessary rights, licences, permissions and consents in respect of any third party material included in any submission to use such third party material for the purposes of the competition and for the Hunter Innovation and Science Hub and its personnel, contractors and agents to use, sublicense, publish, reproduce, communicate and broadcast for the purposes of the competition, conduct of future competitions and purposes directly or indirectly related to such any third party material on a worldwide, non-exclusive, royalty free, fully paid up and irrevocable basis (consents shall include moral rights consents (and where applicable waivers) for the commission or omission of any act that may otherwise constitute an infringement of a third party's moral rights); and
- the submission is not the subject of any litigation nor is it threatened by any claim or litigation.



14. Indemnity

The applicants shall hold the Hunter Innovation and Science Hub and its related companies, personnel, contractors, and agents harmless and release them from any liability on an ongoing basis regarding any loss, expense, cost (including full indemnity), or damages that may arise from any claim by the applicant or a third party alleging infringement of their intellectual property or moral rights due to any activity or omission by the Hunter Innovation and Science Hub, its related companies, personnel, contractors, agents, and the applicant in relation to the competition.

15. Limitation of Liability

The Hunter Innovation and Science Hub makes no representations or warranties as to the quality, suitability or merchantability of any goods or services offered as prizes. To the extent permitted by law, the Hunter Innovation and Science Hub is not liable for any loss suffered to person or property by reason of any act or omission, deliberate or negligent, by the Hunter Innovation and Science Hub.

