

# Ozwater'27 Abstract Reviewer Prize Draw – Terms and Conditions

## 1. Promoter

The promoter is **Australian Water Association Limited (AWA)**, ABN 78 096 035 773, Level 8, 9 Help Street, Chatswood NSW 2067.

## 2. Promotion

The **Ozwater'27 Abstract Reviewer Prize Draw** (Promotion) provides eligible AWA members participating in the Ozwater'27 abstract review process with the opportunity to enter a random draw for one complimentary full registration to Ozwater'27.

Participation in the Promotion is subject to these Terms and Conditions.

## 3. Promotion and qualifying review periods

The Promotion commences on **Monday, 28 September 2026** and closes at **11:59 pm AEDT on Friday, 16 October 2026**.

For the purpose of determining eligibility for the Promotion, qualifying Ozwater'27 abstract reviews submitted from **5 August 2026 to 11:59 pm AEDT on 16 October 2026** will count towards the minimum review requirement.

This means reviews completed before the Promotion was announced may count towards eligibility, provided they were submitted through the official Ozwater'27 abstract review platform on or after 5 August 2026 and otherwise satisfy these Terms and Conditions.

The Prize Draw will take place at **12:30 pm AEDT on Monday, 26 October 2026**.

## 4. Eligibility

Entry is open to individuals who:

- are **18 years of age or older**;
- are a current AWA member at the Promotion closing date;
- are approved to participate as an Ozwater'27 abstract reviewer; and
- have submitted at least **10 qualifying abstract reviews** through the official Ozwater'27 abstract review platform by 11:59 pm AEDT on 16 October 2026.

The following individuals are not eligible to enter:

- AWA employees;
- members of the AWA Board;
- members of the Ozwater'27 Program Committee;
- AWA contractors; and
- any other person directly involved in administering or conducting the Promotion or determining the winner.

AWA may verify membership status, age, reviewer status and review activity before including a participant in the draw or awarding the Prize.

## 5. How to enter

No separate competition entry form is required.

An eligible reviewer who submits **10 or more qualifying abstract reviews** during the qualifying review period will automatically receive **one entry** into the Prize Draw.

Each eligible reviewer may receive a maximum of **one entry**, regardless of whether they complete more than 10 qualifying abstract reviews.

No additional entries will be provided for completing additional reviews.

There is no separate fee to enter the Promotion.

## **6. Qualifying abstract reviews**

For the purpose of the Promotion, a qualifying abstract review is a review that:

- is allocated to or selected by an approved reviewer through the official Ozwater'27 review process;
- is completed and submitted through the official Ozwater'27 abstract review platform;
- is recorded as submitted in that platform; and
- is submitted between **5 August 2026 and 11:59 pm AEDT on 16 October 2026**.

Incomplete, draft, duplicate or unsubmitted reviews will not count towards the minimum requirement of 10 reviews.

## **7. Reviewer responsibilities, confidentiality and artificial intelligence**

Ozwater'27 abstracts are provided to reviewers in confidence and must only be used for the purpose of completing the Ozwater'27 abstract review process.

Reviewers must:

- treat abstracts and associated information as confidential;
- assess abstracts using their own professional knowledge and judgement;
- select and review abstracts that appropriately align with their areas of expertise; and
- comply with the Ozwater'27 reviewer guidelines provided by AWA.

Abstracts, or confidential information contained within them, **must not be uploaded, entered, copied or otherwise provided to generative artificial intelligence tools, Large Language Models (LLMs), or any other unauthorised third-party service.**

AWA may exclude a participant from the Promotion where AWA reasonably determines that the participant has materially breached the Ozwater'27 reviewer requirements or confidentiality obligations.

## **8. Prize**

There is **one Prize** available.

The Prize is **one complimentary Full Registration to Ozwater'27, including the Ozwater'27 Gala Dinner, valued at AUD \$2,845 including GST.**

The Prize includes:

- Full Registration to Ozwater'27; and
- admission to the **Ozwater'27 Gala Dinner** included with that registration.

The Prize does not include:

- travel;
- accommodation;
- transfers or other transport;
- incidental or personal expenses; or

- any other costs associated with attending Ozwater'27 that are not expressly included in the Full Registration.

The Prize cannot be exchanged or redeemed for cash.

### **9. Transfer of the Prize**

The winner may choose to:

- use the complimentary registration themselves; or
- transfer the registration to another person.

A person receiving a transferred Prize:

- does not need to be an AWA member;
- does not need to have participated in the Ozwater'27 abstract review process; and
- may be any person nominated by the winner, subject to the standard registration and attendance conditions applicable to Ozwater'27.

If the winner chooses to transfer the Prize, they must notify AWA and nominate the recipient within **14 days of being notified that they have won**.

The Prize may be transferred **once only**.

Once AWA has processed the transfer to the nominated recipient, no further transfer may be made.

The Prize remains non-refundable and cannot be exchanged or redeemed for cash.

### **10. Prize Draw**

The Prize Draw will take place at:

**12:30 pm AEDT on Monday, 26 October 2026**

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The draw will be conducted electronically using an **independent electronic random-draw platform that uses a random-number generator**, such as Random Draws or an equivalent service.

All eligible entries will have an equal chance of being selected.

Entrants do not need to be present at the draw.

AWA will retain appropriate records of the draw, including the eligible entrant list, draw result and any draw certificate or equivalent record generated by the electronic draw platform.

### **11. Reserve winners**

At the same time as the Prize winner is selected, AWA may use the electronic draw system to select a reasonable number of **reserve winners in sequential order**.

Reserve winners will only be used where the original winner:

- is subsequently found to be ineligible;
- declines the Prize;
- cannot be contacted;
- fails to claim the Prize within the required period; or
- otherwise forfeits the Prize under these Terms and Conditions.

The reserve winner with the next sequential position will then be offered the Prize.

## **12. Winner notification**

AWA will notify the winner in writing using their contact details held by AWA **no later than Friday, 30 October 2026**.

The notification will include:

- confirmation that they have won;
- details of the Prize;
- instructions for claiming the Prize; and
- instructions for transferring the Prize if they choose not to use the registration themselves.

AWA will make reasonable efforts to contact the winner using the contact information available to it.

## **13. Publication of the winner**

The winner's name will be published by **Friday, 30 October 2026** on the Ozwater website at: <https://www.ozwater.org/program/call-for-papers/submission-guide>

The winner's name will remain published online for at least **28 days**.

If a reserve winner subsequently receives the Prize, AWA will update the published result as required.

Entrants acknowledge that publication of the winner's name may be required under applicable trade promotion requirements.

## **14. Claiming the Prize**

The winner must confirm acceptance of the Prize within **14 days of being notified**.

If the winner intends to transfer the Prize, they must also provide AWA with the name and registration details reasonably required to register the nominated recipient within this 14-day period.

If the winner:

- fails to respond within 14 days;
- declines the Prize;
- is determined to be ineligible; or
- otherwise fails to satisfy these Terms and Conditions,

they will forfeit the Prize.

## **15. Awarding the Prize to a reserve winner**

If the original winner forfeits the Prize, AWA will offer the Prize to the first eligible reserve winner selected during the original draw.

That reserve winner will be notified in writing and will have **14 days from the date of notification** to accept the Prize.

If that reserve winner does not claim the Prize, AWA may continue through the reserve winners in the order in which they were selected.

A reserve winner who receives the Prize will have the same rights to use or transfer the Prize as the original winner, subject to these Terms and Conditions.

## **16. Verification and invalid entries**

AWA reserves the right to verify:

- the entrant's age;
- current AWA membership;
- reviewer eligibility;
- the number of qualifying reviews submitted;
- compliance with the Ozwater'27 reviewer requirements; and
- any other information reasonably necessary to administer the Promotion.

An entry may be deemed invalid where AWA reasonably determines that:

- the entrant does not satisfy the eligibility criteria;
- fewer than 10 qualifying abstract reviews were submitted by the deadline;
- information provided by the entrant is false or misleading;
- the entrant has interfered with or attempted to manipulate the review or draw process;  
or
- the entrant has materially breached these Terms and Conditions or the Ozwater'27 reviewer requirements.

If the selected winner is found to be ineligible, the Prize may be awarded to the next eligible reserve winner.

#### **17. Privacy**

AWA will collect and use personal information for the purposes of:

- administering the Ozwater'27 abstract review process;
- determining eligibility for the Promotion;
- conducting the Prize Draw;
- notifying the winner or a reserve winner;
- administering or transferring the Prize;
- publishing the winner where required; and
- complying with applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

Personal information will otherwise be handled in accordance with AWA's Privacy Policy.

By entering the Promotion, participants acknowledge that the winner's name may be published as described in these Terms and Conditions.

#### **18. Changes to or cancellation of the Promotion**

If circumstances outside AWA's reasonable control prevent the Promotion from proceeding as planned, AWA may modify, suspend, postpone or cancel the Promotion, subject to applicable law.

Where a material change is made after the Promotion has commenced, AWA will take reasonable steps to notify affected participants and make the updated Terms and Conditions publicly available.

AWA will not make changes that unfairly disadvantage eligible entrants unless reasonably necessary to address circumstances outside its control or comply with applicable law.

#### **19. Limitation of liability**

To the extent permitted by law, AWA is not responsible for:

- reviews that are not successfully submitted because of technical issues outside AWA's reasonable control;

- incorrect or outdated contact details supplied or maintained by an entrant;
- costs associated with attending Ozwater'27 other than those expressly included in the Prize; or
- the inability of the winner or nominated recipient to attend Ozwater'27.

Nothing in these Terms and Conditions excludes or limits any right, guarantee or remedy that cannot lawfully be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law or other applicable legislation.

## **20. Acceptance of Terms and Conditions**

Participation in the Promotion constitutes acceptance of these Terms and Conditions.

These Terms and Conditions should be read together with the Ozwater'27 abstract reviewer guidelines and other AWA policies applicable to the review process.

Where there is any inconsistency concerning the operation of the Prize Draw, these Terms and Conditions will apply.

## **21. Promoter details**

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**Promotion commences:** 28 September 2026

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**Prize value:** AUD \$2,845 including GST

**Prize Draw:** 12:30 pm AEDT, 26 October 2026

**Winner notified and published by:** 30 October 2026

**Terms and Conditions last updated:** 28 September 2026