



# 2023 ABC-NJ EXCELLENCE IN CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

*Presented at the 2023 Excellence in Construction  
Awards Dinner*



*2023 Excellence in Construction Awards Application*

# INTRODUCTION

ABC-NJ is pleased to announce the 2023 Excellence in Construction Awards Competition. This competition is an opportunity to have your project(s) join other Merit Shop projects and be recognized by ABC-NJ as the “Best of the Best”.

## ***ATTACHED IS OUR 2023 PROJECT SUBMISSION PACKAGE***

### **Recognition of Winners & Participants**

Winners and participants will be recognized at our Excellence in Construction Awards Dinner on November 30, 2023, at The Berkeley Hotel in Asbury Park. This will be a highlight of our 2023 year!

**Questions/comments: Diane Blair - [dblair@abcnjc.org](mailto:dblair@abcnjc.org)**

### **Judging/Scoring Criteria (Maximum score = 100 points)**

- **Description of Project:** 25 Points maximum
- **Photographs:** 20 Points maximum
- **Project Narrative:** 30 Points maximum
- **Safety:** 25 Points maximum

### **Award levels:**

- **Eagle:** 1<sup>st</sup> in Category (Minimum avg. of 80 points required)
- **Merit:** 2<sup>nd</sup> in Category (Minimum avg. of 65 points required)\*\*
- **Honorable Mention:** Below 2<sup>nd</sup> in category (Minimum avg. of 50 points required)

## ENTRY FORM

Please fill out the information exactly as it should appear on an award. Each submission requires a separate entry form and a \$275 entry fee. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Blair ([dblair@abcnjc.org](mailto:dblair@abcnjc.org)) or 856-437-4130.

**All completed materials and payment are due to ABC-NJ  
by **September 22, 2023** and should be sent to:  
139 Gaither Drive, Suite I, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054.**

Name of Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Architect (firm name): \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Engineer (firm name): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Client/Owner (firm name): \_\_\_\_\_

Start Date of Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Completion Date of work: \_\_\_\_\_

# Project Award Category Form – General Contracting/Construction Management

Check only **ONE** category indicating the dollar amount of the contract for the project.

ABC-NJ reserves the right to change an entry's original category if it determines that a project's opportunity to win will be enhanced in a different category. ABC-NJ also reserves the right to redistribute the contract volume levels within a category.

**Mega-Projects**

All projects regardless of type  
More than \$100 million

**Commercial**

Office buildings, banks, retail facilities, hotels and mixed use

Less than \$5 million  
\$5 to \$10 million  
\$10 to \$25 million  
\$25 to \$100 million

**Community/Public Service**

Philanthropic projects that enhance the community, using substantial resources donated by the contractor  
All contract amounts up to \$100 million

**Federal Government/Military**

All projects owned by the federal government, with the exception of transportation infrastructure and utilities  
Less than \$10 million  
\$10 to \$100 million

**Health Care**

Hospitals, assisted living, nursing homes and other licensed medical facilities  
Less than \$10 million  
\$10 to \$25 million  
\$25 to \$100 million

**Historical Restoration/Renovation**

Restoration of buildings registered as historical, or eligible to be registered as historical  
Less than \$25 million  
\$25 to \$100 million

**Industrial**

Manufacturing plants and facilities, refineries and similar types of construction  
Less than \$5 million  
\$5 to \$15 million  
\$15 to \$25 million  
\$25 to \$100 million

**Infrastructure: Heavy**

Streets, highways, parks, dams and bridges  
All contract amounts up to \$100 million

**Institutional**

Projects owned by schools, churches and local governments, with the exception of health care facilities.  
Less than \$5 million  
\$5 to \$10 million  
\$10 to \$25 million  
\$25 to \$100 million

**Pre-Engineered Building**

Institutional, shopping centers, banks and manufacturing plants  
All contract amounts up to \$100 million

**Public Works/Environmental**

Water treatment plants and sewage treatment plants  
All contract amounts up to \$100 million

**Renovation**

Non-historical, existing buildings where more than 50 percent of the contracted dollar value was used for renovation or restoration  
Less than \$4 million  
\$4 to \$10 million  
\$10 to \$100 million

**Residential**

Residential, including independent living retirement communities  
Single-family projects up to \$100 million  
Multifamily and condominium projects up to \$100 million

**Other Construction**

Construction not specifically referred to in the above categories. Examples include theme parks, zoos, skate parks, water parks and other unique types of projects  
Less than \$2 million  
\$2 to \$100 million

## Project Award Category Form – Specialty Contracting / Subcontractors

Check only **ONE** category indicating the dollar amount of the contract for the project.

ABC-NJ reserves the right to change an entry's original category if it determines that a project's opportunity to win will be enhanced by the change to the new category. ABC-NJ also reserves the right to redistribute the contract volume levels within a category.

**Community/Public Service**

Philanthropic projects that enhance the community, using substantial resources donated by the contractor  
All contract amounts

**Electrical**

All projects  
More than \$10 million

**Electrical: Commercial**

Schools, hospitals, outdoor lighting, institutional, shopping centers  
Less than \$2 million  
\$2 to \$10 million

**Electrical: Industrial**

Manufacturing plants, processing plants, instrumentation and testing facilities involving motor control  
Less than \$2 million  
\$2 to \$10 million

**Mechanical**

All projects.  
More than \$10 million

**Mechanical: Commercial**

Schools, hospitals, institutional, shopping centers  
Less than \$2 million  
\$2 to 10 million

**Mechanical: Industrial**

Manufacturing plants, processing plants and pneumatic controls  
Less than \$10 million

**Exteriors**

Masonry, precast or stone  
All contract amounts  
All other exterior finishes  
All contract amounts

**Interiors**

Acoustical, drywall, millwork or plaster  
All contract amounts  
All other interior finishes  
All contract amounts

**Sitework/Landscape/Hardscape**

Interior/exterior, landscaping and parking lots  
All contract amounts

**Other Specialty**

**Construction: Commercial**  
Commercial construction not specifically referred to in the above categories  
Less than \$10 million  
More than \$10 million

**Other Specialty**

**Construction: Industrial**  
Industrial construction not specifically referred to in the above categories  
Less than \$10 million  
More than \$10 million

**A company may submit as many entries as desired. The cost is \$275 per entry.**

***Please read and sign:***

I hereby give ABC-NJ my permission to use photographs and any information submitted for the Excellence in Construction Awards Program in ABC presentation and printed materials including but not limited to promotional materials, press releases, social media, etc.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

## BINDER TIP SHEET

**Reminder:** The competition is open to any ABC-NJ general contractor or subcontractor in good standing (dues for 2023 have been paid). To be eligible for the 2023 Excellence in Construction Awards Competition, commercial, industrial, or institutional projects must be completed between October 1, 2022 – September 1, 2023. **Note for subcontractors: Only your portion of the work must be complete; not the entire project.**

### **Entry Forms & Binders Due:**

**Due September 22, 2023** to 139 Gaither Drive, Suite I, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054. **We cannot extend your date as judging will be scheduled the following week.**

### **Entry Fee:**

\$275 per entry

### **Binder Materials**

Please read carefully. All completed materials and payment are **due by September 22, 2023**. NO entry materials will be accepted after this date, no exceptions. Incomplete binders or incorrect binders will be disqualified.

- Please use plain white paper only and make all forms legible. Do not change forms to fit company letterhead.
- Each entry must be submitted in a 1-inch three ring binder.
- Use tabbed dividers to separate each section outlined below.
- Judges will be judging the binders that are submitted and pictures that are provided with the binders.
- If you have questions or need help, please reach out to us.
- Very important and often missed – please email your subcontractor list in Excel format as well as printed in the binder as detailed below.

## BINDER SECTIONS

### I. Copy of Initial Entry Form

### II. Description of Project (maximum one page)

- a. Building/Project Name
- b. Building/Project Type (commercial/industrial/residential)
- c. Type of contract (i.e. Lump sum, time & materials, construction management at risk, cost plus, etc.)
- d. Project duration
- e. Project size (\$)
- f. Percentage self-performed
- g. Total square feet
- h. Contractor/Supplier list on the job **emailed** to Diane Blair at [dblair@abcnjc.org](mailto:dblair@abcnjc.org) and printed and included in the binder. **The required format is Microsoft Excel.** Separate columns are required for each heading (in other words, do not include city & state in same column)

*The list should include each company name, address, phone number, fax number, website, email and contact person with a brief description of type of work performed (i.e. drywall, concrete, masonry, lumber supplier, etc.) This list should include ABC Members and non-ABC members; please specify other ABC members so they can be recognized.*  
**Note for subcontractors: your list does not need to include the entire project but must include all sub-subcontractors/suppliers in your scope of work.**

### III. Photographs (minimum of 5 and maximum of 10)

- a. Color photographs of the project with project names, company name, entry category and a descriptive caption telling what the photo represents. The file(s) must be a jpeg or tiff, at least 720x480 pixels and 300 dpi.
- b. Include in-progress and post-completion photos.
- c. Renovations/restorations must have before and after photos.
- d. Digital pictures are required on CD or USB drive in addition to the photos in the notebook.
- e. 10 photos highly recommended.
- f. If photos are by 3<sup>rd</sup> party, include photographer's use of authorization.
- g. **PLEASE DESIGNATE ONE PHOTO THAT WILL BE PRINTED ON POSTER**

**IV. Project Narrative (maximum four pages)**

- a. Tell us what makes your project special. Be as specific as possible and concentrate on construction aspects, not design features. Highlight any unique features or challenges your company faced when completing the project. Tell us about innovative programs relating to personnel management, teamwork, quality control, scheduling, value engineering, etc., to make the project award winning. Explain how your expertise led to completion in a timely and cost-effective manner? This can be five pages if it is classified as community or public service.

**V. Safety**

- a. Please place other required material from the Safety form behind the form provided in this packet. These materials should be submitted in the following order:

1. Project Safety Form
2. OSHA 300 and OSHA 300A forms (with personal information redacted)
3. STEP Certificate (You must be a Step Participant)
4. Safety and Health Policy Manual
5. Drug and Alcohol-Free Pledge

a. *Pledge can be found at*

<https://www.drugfreeconstruction.org/>

**VI. Letters of Recommendation**

- a. These are no longer required.

**VII. Brief Description**

- a. Please write a **brief** description, no more than 1-2 paragraphs, to be utilized in awards script. This description is not scored. Please email your description, in a Word document, to Diane Blair at [dblair@abcnjc.org](mailto:dblair@abcnjc.org).
- b. This description should also be a separate document in your binder.

***If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Diane Blair ([dblair@abcnjc.org](mailto:dblair@abcnjc.org)) or 856-437-4130 or 856-607-6272.***



## SAFETY SHEET

The safety score is worth 25 Points of the final total score of the project entered. This form must be completed by the person responsible for the safety of the project and signed by the Safety Director.

Please fill this information out as completely as possible. This form will be placed in the Safety section of your binder.

1. Did your company or a subcontractor under your control have a safety-related fatality on this project?  **Yes**  **No**
  - a. ***If YES, do not submit your entry for this competition.*** A project that involves prime, multi-prime or subcontractors with a safety-related fatality is not eligible to be considered for an EIC award.
2. Is your company a STEP Award recipient?  **Yes**  **No**
  - a. *\*Please send a copy of your bronze, silver, gold, or platinum level certificate. **If NO, you may not submit.***
3. Are you an OSHA partner?  **Yes**  **No**
4. Does your company have a written Safety and Health Policy Manual?  
 **Yes**  **No**
  - a. *Safety and Health Policy Manual **must** be included.*
5. Does your company have a substance abuse policy?  **Yes**  **No**
  - a. *If YES, please include a copy of the policy.*
6. Were toolbox safety meetings held?  **Yes**  **No**
  - a. *If YES, how often?* \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. *Were the Toolbox safety meetings documented?*  **Yes**  **No**
7. What were the total man-hours on this project for your company?
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. What was your company DART (Days Away Restricted Transfer) Incidence Rate (# of cases multiplied by 200,000, then divided by actual man-hours)?: \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. *Please list the NAICS code:* \_\_\_\_\_

9. What is the EMR (Experience Modification Rate) for your company?

\_\_\_\_\_

10. Does this Project's Organization chart or site-specific plan identify the person responsible for Safety of this project?  **Yes**  **No**

11. Reported injuries on this project: \_\_\_\_\_

12. Was there a company fatality in the current program year?

**Yes**  **No**

*a. A company that experienced a safety-related fatality of a direct employee in the United States within the current program year is not eligible for an EIC award.*

***[This rule disqualifies a company.]***

13. Has there been a safety-related fatality of a direct employee in the United States during the three years before the current program?

**Yes**  **No**

*a. A company that experienced a safety-related fatality of a direct employee in the United States during the three years before the current program year will be required to provide additional information regarding action that has been taken following the fatality.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_