

GENERAL RULES FOR ENTERING AWARD COMPETITION



INTENT TO ENTER FORMS: All volunteer groups must submit the “Intent to Enter” form for Awards Competition to the Award Committee Chair listed on the Form. The “Intent to Enter” form can be found on the TAHV.org website. Click on the “2026 Conference Information” and then click on “2026 Conference Awards”. Any group entering **MUST** be a member in good standing of the TAHV.

INTENT TO ENTER FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE AWARDS COMMITTEE CHAIR BY MAY 9, 2026. You will receive an acknowledgement by email when we receive your “Intent to Enter” form and your check.

RULES: Please read the rules on each of the judging forms. You can find the forms on our website. You do not need to bring the forms with you. They are on the website so that you know what the judges will be considering during the judging. These rules must be adhered to for each of your entries. Non-adherence to the requirements as set out may result in disqualification of your entry.

LICENSED BEDS: Please determine the correct number of beds licensed by the State of Texas for your facility. You should be able to get this information from your DVS (or Volunteer Coordinator), Administrator or CEO. If your facility does not have beds, please enter “0”. This number is very important because it is the deciding factor as to the group you will be placed in for judging and will make it possible for you to compete against other hospitals, hospices, and nursing facilities of the same size. The licensed bed number **MUST BE CONSISTENT** on all of your forms.

ENTRIES: All entries will be accepted in the TAHV Awards Room at San Marcos, Texas on Tuesday, June 9th, from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm OR Wednesday, June 10th, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. No entries will be taken after 11:00 a.m. on the 10th.

JUDGES: The judges will begin their work at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 10th. The Awards Room will be closed until after the judging. These judges are gracious people from the local community who are donating their time and expertise. They are **not** members of TAHV and their identities are unknown to the Awards Committee members.

AFTER JUDGING: The Awards room will be open on June 10th, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for viewing. It will be closed until after the presentations at the Uniform Luncheon. After the Uniform Luncheon, the Awards room will be reopened for viewing and pick up. **Entries must be picked up on Thursday, June 11th, after the Luncheon.** The Awards Room will be open until **1:30 pm**. The entries must be signed out.

NO ENTRIES MAY BE TAKEN FROM THE AWARDS ROOM BEFORE THE UNIFORM LUNCHEON. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE.

Should you have any questions about any of the above rules, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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