

Guidelines for proposing the Naming District 17 Awards

The following is a brief set of guidelines for Naming Toastmasters District 17 Awards. They are intended to provide guidance to those considering proposals for new awards, rather than a set of rigid rules or prescriptions.

All award proposals must be brought before a committee nominated by the District Director and will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Overall Criteria

The purpose of each award should be clearly articulated. The award must represent excellence and prestige and be an incentive to all District 17 toastmasters to achieve. It must not overlap with existing awards, but should address past achievements and ongoing contribution to District 17.

The award should not confuse the scope of existing awards or diminish their prestige. New award proposals should suggest specific criteria by which the award might be identified and nominations be judged.

Naming

Awards may be named after individuals, whether alive or deceased. The individual must have achieved the highest level of distinction and service to District 17. New awards must compare similarly and favourably with individuals identified by existing named awards. Promotion of an award to be named after oneself is discouraged.

Administration

All new award proposals should be brought before a committee appointed by the District Director (The Naming District 17 Awards Committee) for discussion and recommendation. The recommendations of the committee shall be delivered to the District Council Meeting (DCM) for acceptance.

District Toastmaster of the Year

This award shall be named in honour of the first District 17 member achieving the position of International President. Or shall be known as the District Toastmaster of the Year.

Other District Awards

Any other District awards should only be named to represent levels of personal excellence with high achievements supporting the district as well as continued District service.