

Terms & Conditions

1. QABC is a registered BJCP competition.
2. Each entrant is restricted to two (2) entries per Category. Within this rule, no more than one (1) entry is allowed in any one Style. Category and Style guidelines can be found on the [AABC website](#).
3. **VERY IMPORTANT:** All entrants are required to supply an additional bottle for every entry, so that in the event the beer qualifies for the AABC competition, there will be a **full fresh & labelled** AABC entry bottle of your beer for the QABC competition, the organisers will store and hold this on your behalf. Please fill out and attach the AABC entry form to this 2nd bottle for each of your entries. See example at the end of the QABC 2015 entry form. The QABC competition will cover the \$10/beer entry fee to the AABC for all qualified beers from all brewers.
4. Entries will only be accepted from residents of Queensland. These entries are to take the form of 2 bottles containing no less than 500ml of beer (750ml bottles preferred) and must be the product of the person entering the beer. Brown plastic PET or brown glass bottles will be accepted. All bottles are to have labels removed, except for the QABC & AABC entry bottle label. Entry form can be downloaded [here](#) for QABC and on the [AABC](#) website.
5. Entry fee is \$5 for brewer registration, with an additional \$5 per entry and MUST accompany the entry form and entries.
6. Entries close on:
 - **Craftbrewer/Bacchus Brewing - 1pm Saturday, 5th of September, 2015**
 - **Brewers Choice - Close of business on Tuesday, 1st of September, 2015**
7. Judging will take place on the weekend of 19-20th September
8. Judging will be conducted by blind tasting, referencing the [AABC style guidelines](#). All winning beers will go forward to a BOS round once all category judging has been completed at the discretion of the chief steward (see rule 13).
9. Prizes will be awarded to the first three placings in each category. Points will be allocated on the basis of:
 - 1st - 3 points
 - 2nd - 2 points
 - 3rd - 1 point
10. Tied entrants will be resolved either by the judging panel during judging or using a progressive countback until the tie is resolved based on: a) highest score for Overall Impression; b) highest score for Flavour; c) lowest range of individual judge scores (smallest spread of scores across panel); d) the judging panel will be requested to resolve the tie.

11. Champion Brewer will be determined by the sum of points awarded for the entrant's best four (4) beers over four (4) different categories: 1st: 3 points, 2nd: 2 points; 3rd: 1 point. Ties will be separated by the addition of the entrant's scores (Judging points) from these 4 beers, if still tied the entrant with the highest scoring individual beer will be declared the Champion. These results are based on categories 1-18 only (excludes mead and cider)
12. Champion Club (QAAWBG - The Queensland Association of Amateur Wine & Beermakers Guilds Inc.) will be determined by the sum of place points awarded for categories 1-18 in the QABC: 1st: 3 points, 2nd: 2 points; 3rd: 1 point.
13. Champion Beer will be determined by either: the best scoring beer; if time permits a BOS judging round with the winner decided by consensus; or determined by another method at the discretion of the chief steward if required. As with rule 11, this is reserved for categories 1-18 only.
14. Entrants receiving a 1st, 2nd or 3rd placing in any of the categories and who have achieved a minimum score of 60% will be invited to enter the National Championship ([AABC](#)). Their beers will be automatically sent to Canberra and paid for by the QABC competition.
15. All care will be taken by the organisers but no responsibility is accepted for any damage to entries and all entries upon receipt will become the property of the QABC.
16. Medal cutoffs:
 - 38-50 Points: Gold (Excellent or Outstanding example of style)
 - 30-37 Points: Silver (Very Good example of style)
 - 25-29 Points: Bronze (Good example of style)