**SELECTION CRITERIA**

In choosing the recipients of the Australia Day Citizen of the Year Awards, consideration is given to the nominee’s achievements in the year immediately prior to receiving the award, as well as their past achievements and ongoing contribution to the community.

* All nominees must be Australian citizens
* Self-nominations will not be accepted
* Nominees must be at least 16 years of age on 26 January 2022
* Multiple nominations have no bearing on the outcome
* An individual or group need only one nomination to be considered
* Nominees must be notified prior to nomination being submitted
* **Nominations Open:** Monday 27 September 2021
* **Nominations Close:** Monday 8 November 2021

# **Citizen of the Year**

(18 years of age or over on 26 January 2022)

* Significant contribution to the community
* An inspirational role model for the Australian community
* Information about the impact the individual’s contribution has on the local government area

# **Young Citizen of the Year**

(Under 18 years of age on 26 January 2022)

* Significant contribution to the community
* An inspirational role model for the Australian community
* Information about the impact the individual’s contribution has on the local government area

# **Sportsperson of the Year**

(18 years of age or over on 26 January 2022)

* Outstanding sporting achievement conducted in the spirit of fair sportsmanship

# **Young Sportsperson of the Year**

(Under 18 years of age on 26 January 2022)

* Outstanding sporting achievement conducted in the spirit of fair sportsmanship

# **Environmental Award**

(Individuals or groups)

* Has made a positive impact on our local environment through innovation or volunteer work to improve our waterways, our flora or fauna and our natural surrounds
* Innovative use of the Return and Earn scheme to fundraise for a meaningful cause
* Fostering partnerships that achieve litter reduction and recycling outcomes