

FAQs

You can email us questions at any time: info@oversewfashion.com

About Entry

Q – When do I need to enter by?

A – The final day to receive entry documents and the finished outfits is 5pm, 8th April 2016.

Q – Can I have more than one entry?

A – Yes, can enter as many times as you like. You will be charged per outfit, with a discount for more than one

Q – Do I need photos of the original garment(s)?

A – YES, this is a requirement; Photos are used for pre-judging and are projected onto a big screen at the event when the outfit is on the catwalk. Refer to the Terms and Conditions No 14 in the Entry Information on our website and the separate Photo Requirements

Q – Do I need a photo of the finished outfit?

A – Yes, so we can see how you would like the outfit worn/styled

Q – Will my outfit get into the Awards show?

A – There will be pre-judging to determine the final entries. Not all entries get into the Awards show. Please see page 3 in the Entry Information on our website for judging criteria. You will be advised by 4th May 2016

Q – Can I include accessories?

A – Yes, refer to the Terms and Conditions No 9 in the Entry Information on our website.

Q – How do I pay my entry fee?

A – By cheque or direct into our bank account. The details are on the Registration Form.

Q – Prior to the event can I show photos of my entry to the media?

A - Prior to the Awards show, we request that you do not upload photos of your finished outfit on any social media or provide photos to the media. This will spoil the surprise for the public attending the event.

About the Outfits

Q - Can I use pre-loved fabric such as tablecloths and doilies?

A - Yes, as long as previously worn garments make up 80% of the final garment.

Q - Can I use accessories as part of my outfit?

A – Yes you can, but they can only make up 20% of the finished outfit. Refer to the Terms and Conditions No 3 in the Entry Information on our website.

Q – Can I use more than one pre-worn garment?

A – Yes, as many as you like, but remember to photograph them all. However, the judges are passionate about minimum wastage. If you can show the judges that most of your base material has been used on your outfit and other things, it will be in your favour.

Q – Can I make an Avante Garde 'way-out' type of outfit?

A – The completed outfit must be wearable as current fashion – not a World of Wearable Art Awards competition. We are fashion, not art.

Q – Can I enter the one outfit in two different categories if I am unsure about which category it best fits?

A – You can contact us to discuss the best fit. We will contact you if we think that the outfit should be in a different category.

Q – Can I enter an outfit which I have already entered in a similar fashion event?

A – An outfit which has been previously shown at another competition, will not be accepted.

Q – Can I enter one garment?

A – Yes, as long as it can be worn standalone – i.e. a dress, pantsuit or coat.

Q. – Can I enter a men's outfit?

A. – Yes you can. We would love to see more outfits for males and recruit male models accordingly.

Q. – Am I able to use a standard pattern, or does the outfit need to be a unique design?

A. – You can use a pattern. Just ensure you are using 80% fabric from pre-worn clothing.

About the Theme and Categories

Q. – Do the entries have to fit the theme colours of red and blue?

A. – No, all colours can be used.

Hot Night in the City

Q. – I am thinking glamorous evening wear...could this include a college ball dress? Can I design something unique that I might even get married in?

A. – Yes and yes! But don't rule out that fun party dress that you might wear to a special function.

Wild and Woolly

Q. – It says "fleecy delights" – does this mean that fleece material?

A. – No, this category is about wool and wool style acrylics. See page 2 of the Entry Information on our website.

Q. – I have a favourite knitted jersey; can I unravel it and re-knit?

A. – Yes you can – take a photo of it first though!

Fireworx

Q. – So I am thinking of designing something that I would wear to a job interview for a position in a Wellington corporate office. Does that fit?

A. – Most certainly. Stylish work wear that's more exciting than black trousers and a white blouse is what we want to see.

Q. – Can I design a corporate uniform (such as a flight attendants' outfit)?

A. – Yes, if the outfit is stylish and adheres to our terms and conditions.

Chill Out

Q. – Thinking weekends, can I enter sports wear? Can I design funky pyjamas?

A. – We want to see smart casual wear appropriate for cafe dining or hitting the dress shops. Definitely no sweatshirt fabric track pants!