



RACHP Engineering Technicians Section

Lifetime Achievement Award Rules

1. Aim of the Awards

To reward and recognise outstanding individual achievement and exceptional contribution to the industry by a practicing RACHP Engineering Technician who has dedicated their career to service and maintenance.

2. Eligibility

Any engineer/technician who is field based in the UK and is still actively working in the service, maintenance or installation of refrigeration or air conditioning equipment.

3. Categories

This year there is only one category of award. LifeTime Achievement Award (someone with 25 years + experience in the industry)

4. Sponsorship

The award winner will receive a prize of £400 provided by our award sponsor and a trophy/certificate.

5. Judging Panel

The judging panel will be nominated by the RACHP Engineering Technicians Section of the Institute and will meet to deliberate separately from Section Management Panel meetings. In order to avoid any conflict of interest, a judge would be expected to stand down if a candidate is known to them.

6. Presentation of Awards

Awards are usually presented during the IOR Annual Dinner – in a year when there is no dinner held, the award maybe presented at another IOR event. The winners must take part to accept their award. For physical events the winner will attend as a guest of the Institute but may sit with their company if requested. Winners will cover their own travel or accommodation expenses.

7. PR

The Section will seek press coverage to promote nominations and to publicise the winners of the awards eg through interviews.

8. Nominations

Nominations may be made by employers, customers, colleagues, wholesalers or a representative organisation.

9. Submission by Nominated Person

The RACHP Engineering Technicians Section will contact persons nominated to advise them that they are being considered for an award. They will be invited to a telephone interview which will cover–

- *Background History* (eg, job title, summary of responsibilities/ area of work etc)
- *Details of achievements* (eg a statement from employers, clients or colleagues)
- *Information about exceptional contribution to the industry* (eg work for local branches or societies, assistance in recruiting or training young people, raising the profile of the industry or representation work etc)

10. Judging Criteria

The decision of the judges will be final. The Award will be made to the person considered to have made the most outstanding practical achievement within the scope of their work based on the following criteria –

- *Uniqueness of their contribution.* What makes them stand out from other engineers?
- *Recognisable achievement.* Is there one crucial thing that this person has done or perhaps there is an exceptionally long term contribution?
- *Practical nature of the achievement.* What has been the outcome of their work, have they “made a difference” in some way?
- *Inspirational aspect.* Will this story inspire others to higher standards in their work or to raise the industry’s perception of the Service Engineer?