



THE SEXTON TROPHY YOUNG RACING DRIVER AWARD

1. FORMAT.

The format for the “Young Racing Driver of the Year” is as follows: During the racing season a competitor will be selected for each of the six months, April to September inclusive, by a panel appointed by The CEO or Vice President in consultation with the President. An additional wildcard nomination may be chosen by a separate panel appointed by the Motorsport Council. If, for any reason, no eligible competitors compete at all in any of the months of the racing season that carry a nomination, an additional wildcard nomination may be selected. The monthly winners and the wildcard will go forward to a selection process the initial part of which will require each to:

- make a digital submission to include details of their motorsport career to date, future career development etc.
- be interviewed by a panel appointed by Motorsport Ireland.

This panel will include:

- a representative of the President of Motorsport Ireland.
- a representative of the Sport Ireland.
- a representative of the Media.
- a representative of an established PR entity.
- the Chairperson of the Race Commission or his/her representative.

The panel will select a winner and two runners up, each of whom will be invited to attend the annual Motorsport Ireland presentation of Awards, where the winner will be announced. The decision of the selection panel is final.

2. THE AWARDS.

The award will take the form of support to compete in a programme of events in agreement with Motorsport Ireland, subject to the ongoing support of Sport Ireland and Motorsport Ireland. In order to avail of this support the winner will be required to sign a contract with Motorsport Ireland.

3. ELIGIBILITY FOR AWARD.

Competitors interested in being considered for this award should register their interest with Motorsport Ireland before the first race of the year in writing or by email to info@motorsportireland.com. Failure to register will not preclude them from being considered but could result in their being overlooked.

In order to be eligible to be considered for the award competitors must be:

- under 23 years of age on the first of January in the year in which the award is made
- hold a competition licence issued by Motorsport Ireland
- be ordinarily resident on the island of Ireland.

While performances over the course of the season will be the most important factor in the determination of the award, competitors should also note that behaviour both on and off the track, personal presentation; communication skills and long term commitment to the sport will be taken into account in the final judging.

4. FUNDING

The award will apply for the next year’s season and will consist of funding to the value of €50,000. The funding will take the form of scaled payments throughout the motor racing season. Motorsport Ireland reserves the right to redirect the award to other placed finalists in descending order should any recipient fail or cease to participate as set out in these regulations.

MI also reserves the right not to make an award in any given year without prior notice.

The winners of the awards will be required to:

- meet with representatives of Motorsport Ireland to agree the format for competition during the season.
- display on their racing overalls etc. at all times Motorsport Ireland and Sport Ireland logos as provided.
- to sign a contract with Motorsport Ireland to cover the provisions for the receipt of the award.
- to behave appropriately during the year of the award and not to bring the sport or any of the funding partners into disrepute.

NO PERSON MAY WIN THE AWARD MORE THAN ONCE.