

Organisational Awards

The solid lines show the formal pathway for organisational awards. If an organisation wins or gets a merit, they automatically move up to the award category that best matches their outcome within the same award cycle.

Parks Awards

- Playspace of the Year (under \$500k)
- Playspace of the Year (over \$500k)
- Healthy Park
- Active Park / Sportsground

Outdoor Awards

- Te Tohu - Whaiiao Māori Māori Outcomes Award
- Te Tohu - Tiakina Taiao Environmental Leadership Award
- Te Tohu Whakaaweawe Kaupapa - Outstanding Event / Programme Award

Aquatics Awards

- Aquatic Facility of the Year
- Aquatic Innovation - Operations
- Aquatic Innovation - Programmes
- National Pool Lifeguard competition

Recreation Awards

- Outstanding Recreation Facility or Outstanding Park
- Outstanding Project (under \$500k) or Outstanding Project (over \$500k)
- Outstanding Recreation Event or Outstanding Community Recreation Programme
- Outstanding Research, Policy & Planning

Competitions

Leader Awards

The dotted lines show possible career progression for individual award recipients. Most Leader Awards don't automatically move to another category. The one exception is the Leader Award from Parks, Aquatics, and Community — those winners automatically progress as finalists for 'Recreation Leader of the Year' in the same cycle, shown with a solid line. The dotted lines simply highlight where winners might be recognised in future years as they grow and take on bigger roles.

