

Excellence Awards policy

Recognising and celebrating excellence

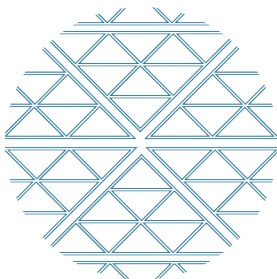
The Board wishes to acknowledge high standards of achievement in sanitary plumbing, gasfitting, and drainlaying. To support this, the Certifier Excellence Awards have been created to recognise and celebrate high achievement in the certifier registration exams.

These trades play a vital role in protecting public health and safety, and the **Certifier Excellence Awards** are one way the Board acknowledges practitioners who achieve the highest results in their certifier registration exams.

The Awards celebrate not only technical expertise but also the commitment to continuous learning and professional growth. By recognising excellence, the Board seeks to inspire others to reach for the highest standards in their own practice and to showcase the critical contribution that certifiers make to communities across Aotearoa.

High achievement aligns with Board values

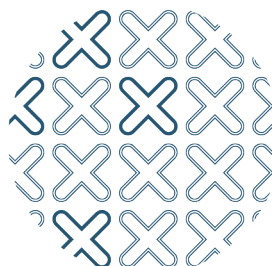
Recognising outstanding performance by practitioners in the certifier registration exams each year aligns with the Board's values of working with others, protecting the public, leadership, courage and integrity.



Mahi Tahi
Working together



Manaakitanga
Protecting



Whakapono
Leading



Kia Māia
Having courage

Identifying excellence

Every calendar year, the Board will identify the candidate sitting the exam for the first time who achieves the highest mark for the year in each certifier exam (plumber, gasfitter, and drainlayer). This practitioner will be awarded the Certifier Excellence Award for that year in that trade.

If the highest mark for the year in a certifier exam is shared by more than one candidate, the successful candidate will be determined by applying the following criteria in the order listed:

1. the candidate who has passed the greatest number of certifier registration exams that year
2. the candidate who has passed the greatest number of certifier registration exams altogether
3. the candidate with the highest average mark from all their certifier exams.

If, after applying all of the above criteria, there is still more than one candidate, the Board may exercise its discretion to choose the successful candidate or candidates for the year.

Award

The successful candidate will be awarded a certificate recording their achievement and \$2,000. In addition, we will meet reasonable costs related to their attendance.

The awards will be presented at a lunch in conjunction with a Board meeting or other suitable occasion to allow the Board to meet the successful candidates.

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