

Excellence in Construction Project Entry & Submission Guide 2024



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Associated Builders and Contractors Rocky Mountain Chapter

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Welcome and Program Overview

Associated Builders and Contractors Rocky Mountain Chapter (ABCRMC) invites member companies to enter their best project/s in the 2024 Excellence in Construction and Safety Awards recognizing outstanding Merit Shop projects.

All award winners will be recognized at ABCRMC's award celebration to be held on October 22, 2024. The ceremony will highlight the Excellence and Merit award-winning projects. All winners will be recognized in a special section of the Merit Builder Magazine and a news release for Excellence and Merit winners will be distributed to various media outlets.

Entry Requirements

Each entry must follow the entry requirements outlined in this award application.

ABC Membership

Only ABC Rocky Mountain Chapter members are eligible to enter. We allow applicants to apply as a joint- or tri-venture if all contractors are ABC members.

Project Safety Requirement

No project that involves prime, multi-prime or sub-trade contractors with a safety-related fatality is eligible to be considered for an award. ABC Nationally and locally disqualifies any project where the company experienced a safety-related fatality within the current program year (10/16/23 to 10/15/24). If there is a question regarding this policy and application requirement, the applicant may request clarification from the National EIC Committee by emailing EIC@abc.org prior to submission of the project.

A company that experiences a safety-related fatality of a direct employee in the United States within the current program year* is NOT eligible for an Excellence in Construction and Safety Award. If a subsidiary is a direct ABC member versus part of a larger holding company member, then the subsidiary with a safety-related fatality is not eligible, but another subsidiary of the same holding company may be. Furthermore, all EIC award winners have a continuing duty to inform ABC of a safety-related fatality that occurred after the end of the current program year until the time of the awards program. Such a fatality will nullify the EIC award. After the judging process and prior to the awards program, ABC will request that an award winner confirm that a safety-related fatality did not occur. Failure to respond to the request will also nullify the EIC award.

A company that experienced a safety-related fatality of a direct employee in the United States within two or three years of the current program year* is required to provide additional information regarding action that has been taken following the fatality.

No project that involves prime, multi-prime or sub-trade contractors with a safety-related fatality is eligible to be considered for an award.

If there is a question regarding this policy and application requirement, the applicant may request clarification from the National EIC Committee by emailing EIC@abc.org prior to submission of the project.

* Program Year is stipulated as 10/16/2023 to 10/15/2024

Completion of Project Requirement

To be eligible for award consideration, the project itself must be substantially completed by **Tuesday, October 15, 2024**. Projects completed prior to **October 16, 2023** are not eligible to participate.

Project Entry Steps & Deadlines

- **Monday, June 3, 2024 -- Intent to Compete Registration opens and closes Friday, September 13, 2024 at 11:59pm (MDT)**
- **Saturday, September 13 -- Saturday, September 21, 2024** – First Round of Judging will commence
- **Saturday, September 21 -- Saturday, September 28, 2024** -- Second Round of Judging will commence **if necessary**
- **First Week of October 2024** – Winners will be notified and we will celebrate the recognition at our annual Excellence in Construction® and Safety Awards on the 22nd of October.
- **EIC Registration fees of \$400 are due no later than Friday, September 13th at 11:59pm (MDT)**

More Information

Direct chapter related questions to Jen Hight, Membership Services Specialist, ABC Rocky Mountain Chapter, jhight@abcrmc.org. Frequently asked questions on ABC national's EIC awards are listed at www.abc.org/eic.

Overview of Award Categories

Awards may be presented in differentiated categories; 40+ each for General Contracting and Specialty Contracting. Local Only categories number 15 different areas.

*Note that the awards listed for the Local Competition Only section are not eligible for National Award consideration

Excellence Award (1st Place)

Only one Excellence Award will be given in each category. Winners at this level are eligible to compete at ABC National's EIC Competition

Merit Award (2nd Place)

Up to two construction projects in each category will be eligible for a Merit Award. Winners at this level are eligible to compete at ABC National's EIC Competition

Letter of Commendation (3rd Place)

Letter of Commendation winners are not eligible to submit to National ABC's EIC Awards. ABC RMC recognizes winners at this level but does not hand out an award at the awards ceremony. Winners at this level are **not** eligible to compete at ABC National's EIC Competition

Other Special Awards

Special Recognition for Design Build

Special recognition will be given to projects that are design-build, through an ABC partnership with Design-Build Institute of America (DBIA). To be considered for this award, email the following information directly to Jen Hight (jhight@abcrmc.org) by the submission deadline. Note: The OpenWater platform is not set up to receive this information. You'll need to email it. A confirmation will be sent upon receipt.

- Provide a written narrative of no more than one single-sided page.
 - Describe what the design-build best practices were applied to the project.
 - Describe how the information was shared across the project team.
- Include a copy of the organizational chart, showing the design-build team's structure and contractual relationships.

Greener Tomorrow Award

Projects that used sustainable best practices are eligible for a Greener Tomorrow Award. To be considered for this award, email the following information directly to Jen Hight jhight@abcrmc.org by the submission deadline. Note: The OpenWater platform is not set up to receive this information. You'll need to email it. A confirmation will be sent upon receipt. **Note:** LEED certification is not required.

Provide a written narrative of one or two single-sided pages including:

- Describe the sustainable building initiatives, if any, which required your company's participation.
- Describe your company's involvement in the design phase, if any.
- Describe any obstacles or challenges related to achievement of the project's green initiatives.
- Indicate if the company is an ABC Certified Green Contractor
- If ABC Green Building Toolbox talks were used, include a sample of toolbox talk and sign-in sheet.

In addition, please provide the following:

- If applicable include green rating system used and level of certification achieved.
- If it's a LEED project, include the LEED score card.
- If another rating system was used, list the criteria used to establish the rating achieved.

Free Enterprise Award

Awarded for using the most ABC members on a job submitted for EIC.

Excellence in Marketing

Awarded to the person(s) who designed and produced the contents of the submission. No extra submittal needed to qualify for award.

Judging Criteria

The panel of judges represents a cross section of construction industry experts, including owners, architects, engineers and other industry leaders. The competition is comparative, using a point system to assist in the comparisons. **A project entry can earn a total possible score of 100 points.** All documents must be uploaded as a PDF unless otherwise noted. **The quality of an entry's presentation will have a great impact on its opportunity to win.**

Registration

Intent to Compete

Visit the ABC RMC [OpenWater](#) platform to begin your submission(s)

The following information will be required at the time you complete your intent to compete:

- Company
- Full name of **ABC member company** submitting the project. Do not include abbreviations; this will be used for printed materials as indicated.
- Project Title and Project Location (city, state)
- Final Contract Amount
- Enter the full numerical value (i.e. 2000000)
- **Category** (*Be sure to confirm you are entering the correct category, and the category description is correct for your project.*)

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- Contact Information: Applicant Name, Title, Phone, Email
- Submit non-refundable Submission registration fee of \$400 per entry

Materials Submission

All submissions for the 2024 Associated Builders and Contractors Rocky Mountain Chapter Excellence In Construction and Safety Awards must be submitted online through the [OpenWater](#) Platform. To assist members with the transition, this application guide has been updated so that the required materials are listed in the order they are requested by the platform. Please note, all documents requested must be uploaded as a PDF file, unless otherwise noted.

Once payment for your entry has been processed, you will receive a link to begin working on your submissions. You don't need to upload all documents at one time. You can save your progress and return. You don't have to submit in the exact order listed below, though it is strongly encouraged to make one final review to ensure all documents have been uploaded before clicking the **Save and Finalize** button at the end of the Project Entry Qualifications, Rights and Agreement segment. Once you save and finalize, no further changes may be made to your entry.

Below is an overview of the required and optional segments, as well as the point values assigned to each, in the order they will appear in the ABCRMC OpenWater platform.

- Overall Presentation and Conformance to Entry Requirements – **5 Points**
- Contracted Scope – **10 Points**
- Project Narrative – **30 Points**
- Photographs – **8 Points**
- Project Safety – **31 Points**
- References – **10 Points**
- Supplemental Materials – **2 Points**
- AQC – Optional – **2 Points**
- STEP Safety Management System – Optional – **2 Points**
- Social Media
- Entry Sample Release
- Project Entry Qualifications, Rights and Agreement

Important: Don't click the Save and Finalize button at the end of the Project Entry Qualifications, Rights and Agreement segment until you have uploaded all documents to your portal.

Project Award Categories for General Contractors

ABCRCM reserves the right to change an entry's original category if it determines that a project's opportunity to win will be enhanced in a different category. For further descriptions of each category, visit the Excellence in Construction webpage at www.abc.org/eic and click on "Category Descriptions." The categories listed below are aligned with the ABC National EIC program.

Mega-Projects

All projects regardless of type

- More than \$100 million

Commercial

Office buildings, banks, retail facilities, hotels, and mixed use

- Less than \$5 million
- \$5 to \$10 million
- \$10 to \$25 million
- \$25 to \$100 million

Community / Public Service

Philanthropic projects that enhanced the community and used partially or fully donated resources

- All contract amounts up to \$100 million

Federal Government / Military

All projects owned by the Federal Government with the exception of transportation infrastructure and utilities

- Less than \$10 million
- \$10 to \$100 million

Healthcare

Hospitals, assisted living, nursing homes, and other licensed medical facilities

- Less than \$10 million
- \$10 to \$25 million
- \$25 to \$100 million

Historical

Restoration/Renovation

Restoration of historical buildings

- Less than \$25 million
- \$25 to \$100 million

Industrial

Manufacturing plants and facilities, refineries and similar types of construction

- Less than \$5 Million
- \$5 to \$15 million
- \$15 to \$25 million
- \$25 to \$100 million

Infrastructure: Heavy

Streets, highways, parks, dams, and bridges

- All contract amounts up to \$100 million

Institutional

Projects owned by schools, churches, local government structures with exception of health care facilities

- Less than \$5 million
- \$5 to \$10 million
- \$10 to \$25 million
- \$25 to \$100 million

Pre-Engineered Building

Institutional, shopping centers, banks and manufacturing plants

- All contract amounts up to \$100 million

Public Works / Environmental

Water treatment plants and sewage treatment plants

- All contract amounts up to \$100 million

Renovation

Non-historical, existing buildings where more than 50 percent of the contracted dollar value was used for renovation or restoration

- Less than \$4 million
- \$4 to \$10 million
- \$10 to \$100 million

Residential

Residential, including independent living retirement communities

- Single-family projects up to \$100 million
- Multi-family and condominium projects up to \$100 million

Special Projects

Construction not specifically referred to in the above categories. Projects include theme parks, zoos, skate parks, water parks and other unique types of projects.

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$100 million

Project Award Categories for Specialty Contractors

ABCRCM reserves the right to change an entry's original category if it determines that a project's opportunity to win will be enhanced in a different category. For further descriptions of each category, visit the Excellence in Construction webpage at www.abc.org/eic and click on "Category Descriptions." The categories listed below are aligned with the ABC National EIC program. Additional, Local Only Specialty Contracting categories can be found on the next page.

Community / Public Service

Philanthropic projects that enhanced the community and used partially or fully donated resources

- All contract amounts

Electrical: Commercial

Office buildings, banks, retail facilities, hotels, and mixed use

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Electrical: Industrial

Manufacturing plants, processing plants, instrumentation and testing facilities involving motor control

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Mechanical: Commercial

Office buildings, banks, retail facilities, hotels, and mixed use

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Mechanical: Industrial

Manufacturing plants, processing plants, instrumentation and testing facilities involving motor control

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Interiors

Acoustical, drywall, millwork, plaster and all other interior finishes

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Exteriors

Masonry, precast, stone and all other exterior finishes.

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Sitework / Landscape / Hardscape

Landscaping, interior/exterior and parking lots

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Other Specialty Construction: Commercial

Commercial construction not specifically referred to in the above categories

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Other Specialty Construction: Industrial

Industrial construction not specifically referred to in the above categories.

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Project Award Categories for Specialty Contractors Local Competition Only

ABCRMC reserves the right to change an entry's original category if it determines that a project's opportunity to win will be enhanced in a different category. For further descriptions of each category, visit the Excellence in Construction webpage at www.abc.org/eic and click on "Category Descriptions."

Electrical: Healthcare*

Hospitals, assisted living, nursing homes, and other licensed medical facilities

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Mechanical: Healthcare*

Hospitals, assisted living, nursing homes, and other licensed medical facilities

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Electrical: Institutional*

Projects owned by schools, churches, local government structures with exception of health care facilities

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Mechanical: Institutional*

Projects owned by schools, churches, local government structures with exception of health care facilities

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

Other: Specialty Construction*

Projects owned by entities other than schools, churches, local government structures including health care facilities

- Less than \$2 million
- \$2 to \$10 million
- More than \$10 million

*The categories listed above are not offered within the ABC National EIC program. Winners in these categories are still eligible to compete with winning submissions at the ABC National EIC program, and will need to adjust the category in which they compete.

Overall Presentation and Conformance to Entry Requirements

5 Points

Please make note of the following:

- Uploaded documents should be pleasing to the eye and legible. Points will be deducted for type that is too small to easily read.
- Points will be deducted for grammatical errors, spelling mistakes and other typographical errors.
- Be sure to utilize all allowable space to demonstrate why your project deserves an award.

In this section on the online application the following information will need to be provided:

Project Information

Provide the requested information exactly as it should appear in award-related materials and on the award.

Contractor Information

Contractor Name, Company Principal, Company Principal Title, Street Address

Please indicate business ownership

- Women-owned business
- Minority-owned business
- Women-owned AND minority-owned business
- Not Applicable

Primary Contact for Award Submission

This is the individual who will be contacted with questions and the results. Please enter only one name.

Contact Name

Contact Job Title

Contact Phone

Contact Email

Project Information

Is this project in the United States?

- Yes
- No

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

State

Zip Code

Has the client required the contract amount to remain confidential?

Final Contract Amount

Enter the full numerical value (i.e. 2000000).

Did any prime, multi-prime, or sub-trade contractor on this project have a safety-related fatality on the project?

Did the applying member company have a safety-related fatality in the United States within the current program year (review your chapter's program criteria for the program dates)?

Architect

Name of Primary Architect (firm name)

The company name will be printed in the event program as entered here. Enter N/A if an architect was not involved with this project.

Primary Architect Contact Name

Primary Architect Contact Title

Primary Architect Contact Email

Engineer

Name of Primary Engineer (firm name)

The company name will be printed in the event program as entered here. Enter N/A if an engineer was not involved with this project.

Primary Engineer Contact Name

Primary Engineer Contact Title

Primary Engineer Contact Email

General Contractor

(if the applicant is a subcontractor)

Name of General Contractor (firm name)

If an ABC member, the company name will be printed in the event program as entered here. Enter N/A if the applicant is the General Contractor.

General Contractor Contact Name

General Contractor Contact Title

General Contractor Contact Email

Client/Owner

Name of Client/owner (firm name)

Client/owner Contact Name

Client/owner Contact Title

Client/owner Contact Email

Additional Project Information

Starting date of construction

Substantial completion date of construction

Was this project completed by a joint venture?

ALL companies must be ABC members in order to enter as a joint venture. If only the majority partner is an ABC member, the project is eligible but not as a joint venture project. If only the majority owner is an ABC member, but not all partners are ABC members, only the majority owner is eligible to enter. Minority partners are not eligible.

Are all parties of the joint venture members of ABC?

Both companies must be ABC members in order to enter as a joint venture. If only the majority owner is an ABC member, the project is eligible but NOT as a joint venture project. If only the minority owner is an ABC member, the project is NOT eligible. Please contact your ABC chapter for additional guidelines

After confirming eligibility with ABC, please outline the ownership percentage and responsibilities of each partner on a one-page document.

Was this a design-build project, with design and construction services under one contract with a single point of responsibility?

Was this a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) project through the U. S. Green Building Council?

Project Description

If the project is an award recipient, the project description may be printed in the event program, as well as read from the stage at the awards gala. It is subject to editing and may be changed by ABC staff.

The project description should be between 30 and 40 words long and highlight the most impressive/unique aspects of the job. Key points to consider:

- Significant number of man-hours worked without an incident
- Unusually fast-track schedule
- Extensive collaboration with the owner or other project stakeholders
- Significant weather events
- Whether work was completed under budget or ahead of schedule
- Innovative technology or project delivery methods used
- Sustainable elements of the job
- Impressive project size or quantity of materials used
- Site constraints
- Significant changes in scope

Note: you will be unable to submit your final project if your description exceeds 40 words. You will receive an error message upon submission.

Contracted Scope

10 Points

Ensuring legibility when selecting font design and size, provide a description (no more than one full page) of the scope for this project with the following information:

- Type of construction
- Type of construction (i.e. lump sum, contract plus, type and material, unit pricing, etc.)
- Size of project
- Contract value
- Duration of project
- Percentage of labor that is self-performed
- Any subcontracted work performed by fellow ABC members, suppliers or associates/industry professionals, if applicable.
- Opportunities you provided to the construction community to participate based on merit.
- Upload Contracted Scope **PDF files only**

Samples of Contracted Scopes may be viewed online at abc.org/EIC.

Subcontractors/Project Team

How many subcontractors worked on this project?

How many of the subcontractors are ABC members?

Subcontractor Report

Provide contact information using the below Excel template for any subcontracted work performed on this project, including contractors, suppliers, associates/industry professionals. Be sure to note if the company is an ABC member.

[Download Subcontractor Template Report](#)

Project Narrative

30 Points

Ensuring legibility when selecting font design and size, provide a written narrative (no more than four pages*) indicating why this project is special and why it qualifies for a national award. The focus of the narrative should be the construction (i.e. erection, installation, modification, grade footprint, etc.) of the project. Four pages are highly recommended and photos/images may be incorporated. Be sure to include the following items:

- Describe any innovative programs relating to quality control
- Describe any innovative programs relating to scheduling
- Describe any value analysis/engineering process used on the project
- Indicate any special obstacles you overcame in completing the project
- Describe any difficulties or extenuating circumstances encountered in completing the project
- Describe any innovative programs or methods relating to productivity (see bonus award section of this application guide)

*Projects entered into the Community/Public Service categories are allowed one additional page (for a total of five pages) dedicated to describing why the project qualifies for the category. This will be uploaded separately following the project narrative and should include a detailed description of the resources your company donated

Photographs

8 Points

Submit up to 10 high-quality photographs **in jpg or png format only**. It is recommended to include photos that are relevant to the challenges and solutions outlined in the narrative. To obtain maximum points, all projects should include “in progress” photos in addition to the completed project. Restoration and Renovation projects should also include “before and after” images.

- Single jpg files may include up to two photographs, but no more than four files should include split images.
- Provide a descriptive caption for each file in the text box provided, but keep the photograph free of any labels, captions and borders/framing. Each caption should not exceed 50 words.
- Ensure the photographs are free of any safety violations.
- Ten photographs are strongly recommended. Files should be a minimum of 300 DPI resolution and in jpg format. **Please don't submit PDF files. They will be rejected.**

Occasionally, entrants have asked that certain photos not be used in programs or on public sites, due to certain sensitivities, such as the exterior layout of an embassy. Indicate if any of the photos submitted meet this condition and specify which ones must remain private.

If any photos being submitted were taken by a third-party photographer, the photographer's written authorization to use the photos is required. In order to comply, you must upload a copy of the signed licensing agreement found on at www.abc.org/eic with the photographer's signature. No changes are allowed to this document.

Project Safety

31 Points

Did the applying member company have a safety-related fatality in the United States within the current program year specified by the chapter? No company that experiences a safety-related fatality of a direct employee in the United States within the current program year specified by your local chapter rules is eligible to submit a project.

If a subsidiary is a direct ABC member versus part of a larger holding company member, then the subsidiary with a safety-related fatality is not eligible, but another subsidiary of the same holding company may be. Email your chapter with any questions.

Did this project have a safety-related fatality?

No project that involves a prime, multi-prime, subcontractor or any trade related work that has a safety-related fatality —regardless of the type of contract—is eligible for an Excellence in Construction and Safety Award.

Past Company Fatality

Did the applying member company have a safety-related fatality within two or three years of the current program year specified by your local chapter rules?

- What was the violation type as determined by OSHA?
- What was the date of the incident?
- What was the location of the incident?
- Were there any fines, citations or penalties issued? If so, by whom (i.e. OSHA, Police, Department of Transportation, etc.)?
- Who issued the fines, citations or penalties?
- Written Report
- Provide a written report up to five pages that details the following:
 - A full account of the incident and the investigation
 - What corrective actions were taken immediately?
 - What corrective actions were taken culturally?
 - How was accountability addressed?
 - What procedural changes were made?
 - Was there an overall evaluation of the company safety policies, and if so, what changes were made?
 - If the fatality occurred three years prior to this program year, include details as to how your company has implemented the changes discussed above and how it has affected the overall safety performance.

PDF files only

Upload your company's OSHA Form 300A (project specific, if available) for the year(s) the project was under construction. If you are submitting annual logs for the years the project was under construction, you must adhere to the following guidelines:

- Include a year-to-date log if the contract was completed in the current program year.
- The logs must be specific to the office location that completed the work.
- All recordables specific to the project being submitted must be highlighted.
- If the project was under construction for more than one year, you must combine the form files to upload together as one file, arranged in chronological order starting with the most recent year.

PDF files only

Upload your company's OSHA Form 300 (project-specific, if available) for the year(s) the project was under construction.

Personal information must be redacted

If you are submitting annual logs for the years the project was under construction, you must adhere to the following guidelines:

- Include a year-to-date log if the contract was completed in the current program year.
- The logs must be specific to the office location that completed the work.
- All recordables specific to the project being submitted must be highlighted.
- If the project was under construction for more than one year, you must combine the form files to upload together as one file, arranged in chronological order starting with the most recent year.

PDF files only

Has your company signed the Construction for a Drug- and Alcohol-Free Workplace's pledge at drugfreeconstruction.org?

Visit drugfreeconstruction.org to sign the pledge or search by company to verify your company has signed.

Does your company have a written substance abuse policy?

Provide a copy of the Table of Contents or a one-page summary of your company's substance abuse policy. **PDF files only**

Does your company have a written Safety and Health Policy Manual?

Upload the Table of Contents or a one-page summary of your Safety and Health Policy Manual. **PDF files only**

Was a site-specific Safety and Health Policy Manual developed for this project?

Upload the Table of Contents or a one-page summary of your site-specific Safety and Health Policy Manual. **PDF files only**

Upload the project's organizational chart, identifying the person responsible for safety on the project. This should be a one page document and should be portrait orientation. **PDF files only**

Does your company conduct a new employee safety orientation?

Upload a copy of the new employee safety orientation agenda. **PDF files only**

- Were toolbox safety meetings held with employees?
- Were these meetings documented?
- Please upload a one-page summary of your toolbox safety meetings, or an example up to two pages. **PDF files only**
- Frequency of meetings?

Did your company regularly establish pre-task safety planning prior to beginning work on this project.

- Provide at least one example of the safety pre-task planning utilized.

Supplemental Document **PDF files only**

Did your company have a process in place to record near-miss cases on this project?

Provide supporting documentation of this process and explain how your company uses this information.

Supplemental Document PDF files only

Was specialized training conducted on this project?

Upload a description of the specialized training. **PDF files only**

Do you have additional information to include regarding any innovative safety and health programs used on this project? **PDF files only**

Total Recordable Incident Rate (TRIR)

For all questions pertaining to OSHA recordables...

- *General contractors and construction managers must include data on all specialty contractors under your contract.*
- *Specialty Contractors should refer only to their contract.*

Select your company's NAICS (and SIC) code:

If a general contractor or construction manager, do you require accident reports from the specialty contractors? Upload a description of the process.

Indicate number of OSHA job transfer or restriction cases on this project:

General contractors and construction managers must also include all specialty contractors' job transfer or restriction cases on this project

Indicate number of OSHA days away from work cases on this project:

General contractors and construction managers must also include all specialty contractors' days away from work cases on this project

Indicate total number of OSHA-recordable cases on this project:

General contractors and construction managers must also include all specialty contractors' recordable cases on this project

Indicate total man-hours for all disciplines included in your contract on this project.

General contractors and construction managers must also include all specialty contractors' hours on this project

Calculate the project's Total Recordable Incident Rate:

(TRIR = Total number of recordable cases x 200,000 / total man-hours for the project)

Safety Professional

Provide the below contact information for the person responsible for safety on this project and attesting to these accident rates:

Safety Professional Name, Title, Phone, Email

References

10 Points

The submission platform will allow up to ten (10) letters of recommendation. We are requesting a minimum of one letter of recommendation and a maximum of three (3) for the 2024 competition.

Include up to three (3) letters of recommendation from third-parties involved with the project, such as the owner and design team. If the owner is unable to provide a letter of recommendation due to company policy, upload a letter from the owner on their letterhead stating they are unable to provide a reference (this letter will qualify for only five points).

Letters will be assessed for their level of quality (content and position of author). In some cases, a single letter could earn the maximum number of points; however, additional letters are highly recommended.

PDF files only

Supplemental Materials

2 Points

Provide any miscellaneous supporting materials, such as diagrams and other graphics, media coverage, other awards and promotion, aerial or drone footage, BIM, 3D scans and/or CAD drawings. You may upload up to five single pages. The five pages may be in one file, or up to five separate files. Video files should not exceed two minutes.

AQC - Optional

2 Points

If your company is designated as an ABC Accredited Quality Contractor (AQC) member in the current program year, upload a copy of the company certificate. The certificate must indicate the chapter that you are submitting your project through since AQC membership is chapter specific. If necessary, a copy of the certificate may be requested by emailing AQC@abc.org.

Note that AQC status is not required to submit for an Excellence in Construction award.

For more information about the AQC program, visit abc.org/AQC or email AQC@abc.org.

Is your company an Accredited Quality Contractor? Upload **PDF files only**

STEP Safety Management System – Optional

2 Points

If your company participates in ABC's STEP Safety Management System, upload a copy of the certificate(s) from the current program year, which is required, as well as any year(s) the project was performed.

If your company does not have an electronic copy of your STEP certificate(s), contact your ABC chapter. Please note that requests will be processed in the order in which they are received; be sure to put your request in early.

STEP participation is not required to submit a project for an Excellence in Construction and Safety Award.

For more information about STEP, visit abc.org/STEP or email your ABC chapter.

Does your company participate in STEP?

Upload STEP certificate **PDF files only**

The certificate(s) must be for the year(s) during which the project was performed.

Social Media & Entry Release

Social Media

ABC promotes EIC winners on social media, such as Facebook, LinkedIn and X. A photo from the entry is typically included, with the company name, project name and category. The projects are generally featured after the awards gala and throughout the program year.

Provide the link to your company's respective social media accounts. Enter "N/A" if your company does not have an account or wishes not to be included.

Facebook:

Example: www.facebook.com/ABCNational

X:

Example: [@ABCNational](https://twitter.com/ABCNational)

LinkedIn:

Example: www.linkedin.com/in/ABCNational

Instagram:

Example: [@ABC_National](https://www.instagram.com/ABC_National)

YouTube:

Example: www.youtube.com/ABCNational

Entry Release

Members often request samples of EIC applications. In order to assist those applying for the first time in future years, we would like to have winning samples available. Please complete the questions on the application that pertain to this topic.

Project Entry Qualifications, Rights and Agreement

All applicants are required to sign off on the following releases.

Property

All entries become the property of ABC Rocky Mountain Chapter.

Entry Category Reassignment

ABC Rocky Mountain Chapter reserves the right to change an entry's original category if it determines that a project's opportunity to win will be enhanced with a different category. ABC Rocky Mountain Chapter also reserves the right to redistribute the contract volume levels within a category.

Grant of Rights

The applicant hereby grants to ABCRMC the following non-exclusive rights: the right to reproduce and distribute copies of the work throughout the year as part of the competition materials described above, including the right to reprint the work, or any part thereof, whenever necessary and to license the use of the work, or any part thereof, in any medium or form of communication; and the right to use the applicant's name, photographs and biography in connection with the work. The applicant reserves all rights not specifically granted herein.

Safety Provision

No project that involves a prime, multi-prime, subcontractor or any trade-related work (regardless of the type of contract) with a safety-related fatality is eligible for an award. No company that experiences a safety-related fatality of a direct employee in the United States within the current program year is eligible for an award. Furthermore, all EIC award winners have a continuing duty to inform ABC Rocky Mountain Chapter of a safety-related fatality that occurred after the end of the current program year until the time of the awards program. Such a fatality will nullify the EIC award.

Warranty

The applicant warrants that the work is original, that its publication will not infringe on the rights of others, and that it has the full power to make this grant.

Notification and News Releases

Award winners will be notified the first week of October of the judging process. News releases will be held until after the awards ceremony takes place on October 19th. Until that time, the winners' information is embargoed.

Applicant Agreement

I understand the entry fee is non-refundable. I hereby give permission to ABC RMC to use the photographs and any information submitted to this competition in ABC awards materials, including presentations and printed matter, as well as promotional materials and news releases.

Questions & Contact

For questions on ABCRMC or the 2024 Excellence in Construction and Safety Awards contact:

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