

	POLICY	Version:	8
	Australia Day Citizen of the Year Awards	Date Adopted:	08 Apr 2025
		Next Review Due:	Apr 2033

1. STATEMENT

This policy prescribes the process for nominations and selection of recipients of the annual Council Australia Day Awards.

Council will maintain a membership to the Australia Day Council of South Australia. Council's selection of award recipients will be objective, based on merit, and determined in consideration of the criteria outlined in the Citizen of the Year Guidance Document issued by the Australia Day Council.

2. PRINCIPLES

Council will participate in the Australia Day Citizen of the Year Awards in accordance with the Citizen of the Year Guidance Document issued by the Australia Day Council.

Other awards may be granted as determined by Council.

Each Council ward will hold a celebration on Australia Day each year, where awards will be presented to recipients from that ward, and all recipients across the Council area will be celebrated.

3. REVIEW

This policy will be reviewed every four years, in consultation with Council and ELT.

4. AVAILABILITY

This policy is publicly available on the Council website: www.wattlerange.sa.gov.au.

A printed copy of this policy may be obtained from the principal Council office upon payment of the relevant prescribed fee in accordance with Council's Fees and Charges Schedule.

5. REFERENCES & FURTHER READING

References	Australia Day Council Citizen of the Year Guidance Document – <i>Guidance and Criteria for Local Government Authorities</i> (2023)
Relevant Legislation:	<i>Local Government Act 1999</i>
Relevant Policies / Procedures / Guidelines	There are no known relevant documents related to this policy.

6. ADOPTION & AMENDMENT HISTORY

The table below sets out the adoption, review and amendment history of this policy.

Version No:	Issue Date:	Authorised by:	Description of Change:	Minutes Reference:
4	15 February 2011	Council	Reviewed	Folio 4518; Item 11.1.9
5	8 April 2014	Council	Amended	Folio 5284; Item 12.2.7
6	8 August 2017	Council	New format, amended criteria to be more consistent with State & Federal Awards	Folio 7199; Item 13.2.9
7	10 November 2020	Council	Additional ad-hoc awards Nominations by family Selection panel changes	Folio 9059; Item 15.3.1
8	08 April 2025	Council	Aligned policy to Australia Day Council Guidance Document	Folio 11190; Item 15.3.3

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