

Here are the answers to the most frequently asked questions about our industry-wide awards program:

How do I enter?

It's easy. Simply choose an appropriate category, write a 100-word product description, write 400 words or less each on innovation, aesthetics, human factors, and technical aspects, and submit a minimum of three images by February 8, 2008.

What are the categories in which I can enter?

Categories are business machines, commercial/vending appliances, electronics, major appliances/HVAC, medical/test & measurement equipment, outdoor/leisure appliances, small appliances, and lighting.

What determines if an entrant or entry is eligible?

- Must be a product manufacturer, industrial design firm, and/or product development firm
- All products entered in the competition must have been placed into distribution between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007. (That is the product became available for sale and delivery to its intended customer during that time period.)
- Enter a specific product and model. Do not enter suites of products or product families.
- Do not submit non-powered products, components or parts of a product or system, vehicles, industrial equipment (forklifts, presses, etc.)
- appliance DESIGN reserves the right to determine acceptability of products submitted and decline those deemed inappropriate for the competition.

Can I submit several different entries?

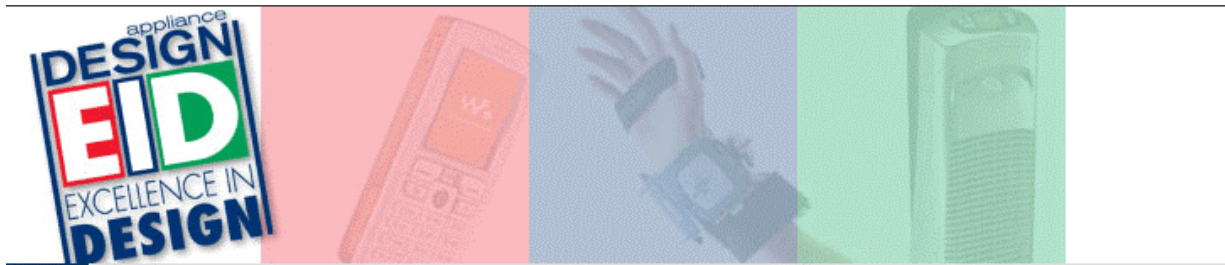
Yes, multiple entries are accepted as long as they are different products and not suites of products or product families.

Can I submit the same entry more than once?

No, each entry or product can only fall under one category and be submitted once.

How are entries judged and awards determined?

The judging of entries will be performed by an independent panel of design experts that have no affiliation with appliance DESIGN magazine. Names of the judges will be released when the winners are announced. The four criteria for judging will be aesthetics, human factors, innovation, and technical merits. Judgment will be based on the supplied images, text descriptions, and any supplemental materials. All decisions made by the jury are final.



How are recipients of the award notified and recognized?

Award winners will be notified in April 2008 via email. appliance DESIGN magazine will feature the winners in the June 2008 issue, which includes print, online, and digital versions. By submitting an entry, the entrant agrees to have their product images and descriptions published.

If I exit the system without completing or submitting my entry, will my information be saved to complete at a later time?

Select the “save for later” button and your entry will be saved to complete at a later time.

After I submit my entry, can I go back to fix what I entered?

No. Once submitted, if changes need to be made, please email them to EID08@bnpmedia.com.

What if I need to fix or upload another images?

Please email them to EID08@bnpmedia.com. Each image should be in Web standard .jpg format, RGB color mode, no larger than 1,024 x 768 pixels, and no more than 100 dpi resolution.

What are the funny characters that are appearing in my entry?

These are created when pasting from a word-formatting program like Microsoft Word. If this happens, you can fix them yourself or we will fix them once the entry is submitted.