



# COMPETITION DATE: 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024 CONTESTANT ENTRY FORM

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#### How to enter

1. Please complete the Contestant Entry Form attached or print and complete the form on our website [www.younggrower.co.nz](http://www.younggrower.co.nz)
2. Please scan and return your completed form via email to Mariette Morkel, [mariette.morkel@horticulture.co.nz](mailto:mariette.morkel@horticulture.co.nz) by 5pm on 30 April 2024.

3. If you have any questions relating to the competition or entry form, please contact:  
Mariette Morkel  
Phone: 021 784 032, Email: [mariette.morkel@horticulture.co.nz](mailto:mariette.morkel@horticulture.co.nz)  
or  
Grant McKay  
Phone: 027 534 8629, Email: [grant.mckay2@gmail.com](mailto:grant.mckay2@gmail.com)

**Entries close 5pm, 30 April 2024.**

#### Conditions of entry

1. Contestants must be currently working full time in the fruit and vegetable industry in an organisation that is closely associated with growing.
  2. Contestants must be 30 years of age or under as at 31 December 2024.
  3. Contestants must show evidence of completing a minimum of three years practical work experience in the fruit and vegetable industry with the regional coordinators ensuring the 3 years practical experience is met. E.g. letter from employer.
  4. To enter the competition the application form must be completed and emailed to the contact person on or before the close off date.
  5. Contestants must be available, if selected, to compete in the Young Grower of the Year competition in Hawke's Bay, 9-10 October 2024. (All travel costs will be met by Horticulture New Zealand).
  6. Contestants agree to abide by the competition rules.
  7. All entrants must be familiar with health and safety issues associated with competition activities and follow the procedures set in place on the day.
  8. Must be a New Zealand citizen or hold a current New Zealand residency permit.
  9. The winners of the competitions will be expected to be available for promotional purposes and give interviews as required to the media at and following the event.
  10. The contestant will be available to promote the competition where applicable.
- CONTESTANTS MAY REAPPLY TO REGIONAL COMPETITIONS EVEN IF THEY HAVE WON YOUNG FRUIT GROWER OR YOUNG VEGETABLE GROWER. HOWEVER THE WINNER OF THE YOUNG GROWER OF THE YEAR CANNOT REAPPLY AT A REGIONAL OR NATIONAL LEVEL.

First name:

Surname:

Date of birth:

Name of employer:

Position held:

Postal address:

Daytime telephone:

Evening telephone:

Mobile:

Fax:

Email address:

#### Questions (Please attach additional page/s if you need more space for your answers)

1. List your major achievements and contribution to the fruit industry. How have you made a difference?



2. What are the qualities or skills that you bring to the industry?

3. Outline your work experience for the last three years:

4. List your qualifications:

5. Your profile – please write a short profile on yourself for publication in our programme (approx. 100 words).

Include: your background, your current role, why you are entering the competition, what you hope to get out of it, your greatest achievement, your interests outside work, your family.

6. Any other comments:

I have read and understood the conditions of entry. (tick circle)

Dated / /

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contestant

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Employer