

1. Award Title: **WEASC EDUCATION AWARD**

2. Purpose of the Award:

To recognize WEASC Committees for initiatives and programs that educate our industry personnel, the public, students, and/or other groups about the water industry and our environment, and/or disseminate information that will enable other WEASC Committees to conduct comparable educational activities.

3. The Award:

One award may be granted annually. Each award will consist of a plaque/item of recognition to be awarded during the WEASC Luncheon at the annual South Carolina Environmental Conference. No award will be granted if submissions do not merit such recognition.

4. Frequency of the Award: Annually, if merited.

5. Eligibility for the Award:

All WEASC Committees are eligible. Any activity or program conducted by a committee regarding training of personnel or educating any segment of the public on water/wastewater issues is eligible. Each committee will be eligible for only one award per calendar year. Educational activities conducted solely by utilities or other organizations are not eligible. Educational activities submitted must have been developed or introduced during the applicable calendar year.

6. Entry Requirements:

The attached entry form should be completed and submitted by a committee wishing to be considered for the award or an individual wishing to nominate a committee not later than January 15<sup>th</sup>.

7. Nomination Procedure:

All nominations will be made to the Executive Director who will forward them to the Education Committee Chair.

8. Nomination or Submission Deadline: January 15<sup>th</sup>

9. Award Committee Membership:

The committee shall consist of the chair and at-large members of the WEASC Education Committee. A member from the Association staff appointed by the Executive Director shall serve on the awards committee as secretary without a vote.

10. Method of Selecting Award Recipient:

The award committee will consider and evaluate each entry on the basis of innovation, effectiveness, benefit to the water environment industry and the public, revenue generated, event evaluations, and overall event attendance, and select the winning entry from those submitted. The Education Committee will have latitude of contacting nominators for answers to specific questions or for clarification of entry data.

The award committee members will individually assign a score between 1 and 4 points to each of six categories. The points will then be averaged, weighted and a total score will be assigned to determine the winning committee. This point system will be facilitated by a simple spreadsheet. The categories with their relative weights are as follows:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Weight</b>
1. Attendance <sup>1</sup>	5%
2. Profit and Loss Statement <sup>1</sup>	15%
3. Workshop Evaluation Results <sup>2</sup>	30%
4. Coordination <sup>3</sup>	10%
5. Innovation <sup>3</sup>	15%
6. Benefits <sup>3</sup>	25%
Total	100%

Notes:

1. This number comes from the P&L statement provided by the Association Office
2. This number comes from the evaluation forms which are filled out at the end of the workshop and summarized by the Association Office.
3. This value is the average value (from 1 to 4) given by the judges (Education Committee Chair and members-at-large).

11. Presentation of the Award:

Winners will be announced during the WEASC Luncheon at the Annual South Carolina Environmental Conference.

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Deadline for Submission: January 15

ENTRY FORM - Please complete this form.  
No additional materials should be submitted at this time.

Please send form to:  
Executive Director  
WEASC/SCAWWA  
130 Gibson Road  
Lexington, South Carolina 29072

**PLEASE TYPE**

**WEASC EDUCATION AWARD**

- 1. Committee: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Committee Chair: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Workshop/Activity/Seminar Title: \_\_\_\_\_

- 2. Description: Provide a brief, summary description of the educational workshop, activity, or seminar being submitted. The activity submitted for consideration must have been developed or introduced during the past calendar year.

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- 3. History: Describe how the workshop, activity, or seminar was developed.

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- 4. Was this workshop, activity, or seminar coordinated with other organizations or WEASC committees? If yes, please explain.

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5. Innovation: Identify the innovative aspects of this workshop, activity, or seminar. What is unique about the approach to developing and/or implementing this project? What particular challenge was faced and overcome in developing and/or implementing the project?

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6. Effectiveness: Identify the outcomes or results achieved, using quantitative data (i.e., P&L statement, event evaluations, number registered, specific results, etc. .) where possible. *If we follow the calendar year, starting in January 2009, all Committees will have had a chance to produce and deliver a workshop or program and results of all should be in by early January.*

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7. Benefits: Identify the workshop, activity, or seminar's principal benefits for the water environment industry and for the public. Will the project result in the creation of a tangible item or activity, such as a workbook, videotape, award program, field trip, or exercise? Has the project been presented by/featured in the local media (radio, TV, newspaper), and did it bring positive attention to WEASC or another group interested in the water environment (schools, health departments, environmental groups)? Does the project provide and/or improve job-related skills? Will the project improve the public's understanding of local water environment issues? Did the project include public involvement or participation?

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8. Additional comments, if any.

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Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair/Individual

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Contact Information (Phone and email)

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Date