



# Indigenous Businesswoman of the Year 2022

This document lists questions and word counts to assist you in preparing your submission prior to completing it online. You will also need to upload company logos and photos. You may start the online nomination at any time and will be able to update/amend it prior to the closing date.

**Note: nominations must be completed and submitted via the online Awards platform – submissions will not be accepted via any other method.** To nominate for any of our Supplier Diversity Awards please go to <https://awards.supplynation.org.au/>

This award recognises a female Indigenous business owner who has driven significant and sustainable growth in her business and has demonstrated ongoing engagement with Supply Nation and / or our members and Indigenous businesses.

The winner will:

- Be an Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander woman
- Be the owner of a business listed on Indigenous Business Direct that has been in operation for at least three years as of 1 January 2022 (ie from 1 January 2019)
- Demonstrate business acumen
- Demonstrate increased business engagements with Supply Nation members and / or Supply Nation Indigenous businesses
- Demonstrate business growth and resilience
- Demonstrate commitment to building a prosperous, vibrant and sustainable Indigenous business sector

## Context Questions

**Note:** context questions are not judged but provide the judging panel with context about you/your organisation.

1. Tell us about your business. **300 words max.**
2. When was your business listed on Indigenous Business Direct?
3. Are you a Certified Supplier?
4. If yes, please provide certification date (optional)

5. 2021 has been a tumultuous year with COVID-19 impacting businesses around the globe. Please outline how your business has been impacted by the pandemic – either positively or negatively. This may include aspects such as revenue/cashflow/spend or engagement with Indigenous businesses/special projects or new initiatives. **300 words max.**

## Criteria Questions

1. Explain the vision / aspiration for the business.  
Give specific examples of plans for continued growth for your business? **600 words max.**
2. What challenges has the business faced and how were they overcome? **350 words max.**
3. How many Supply Nation members and/or Indigenous businesses did you do business with in 2020?
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5. Give specific examples of areas of growth and resilience in your business up to the end of 2021. **350 words max.**
6. Explain other ways your business positively impacts the Indigenous business sector. **350 words max.**
7. Give examples of how you engage with Supply Nation and its stakeholders. **350 words max.**