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# HOW DO YOU MEASURE UP?



**Will you be the  
2011  
APPRENTICE OF  
THE YEAR?**

REGISTERED MASTER BUILDERS

**APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR**

**2011**

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# WHAT'S THE APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR?

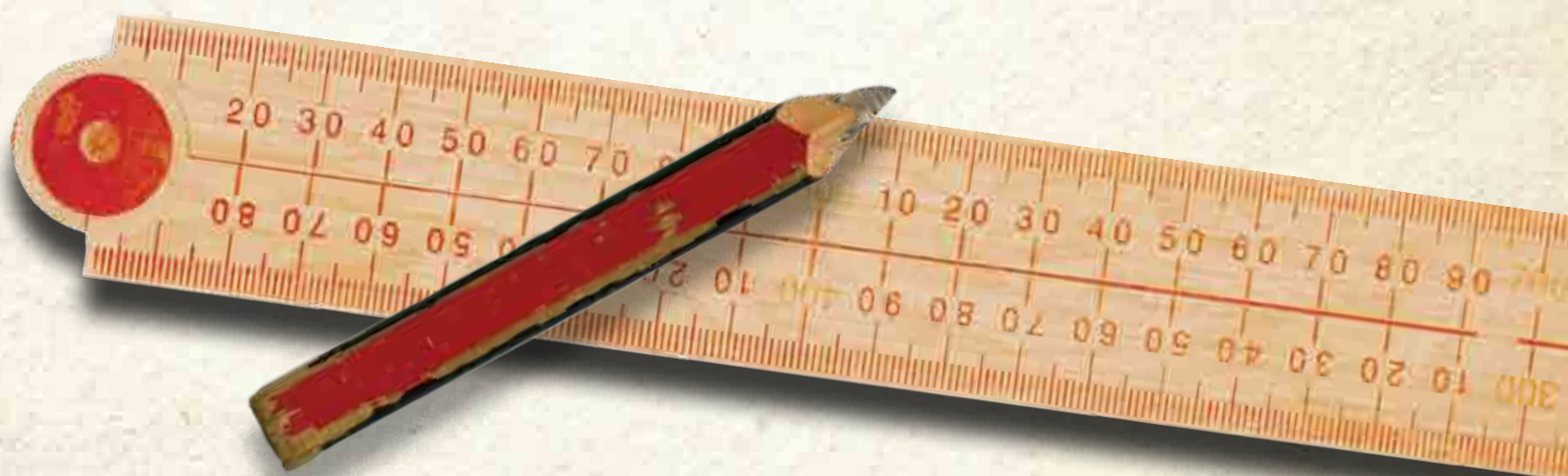
The Apprentice of the Year competition is all about celebrating industry excellence. The aim is to find and reward outstanding carpentry apprentices and bring attention to the wide variety of fantastic career opportunities in the building and construction industry. The competition is run in 10 regions and we are looking for the top 10 carpentry apprentices across the country to compete for the national title.

## WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

Apart from the industry kudos, the great prizes and the fact that your family will be proud; why would you want to be the Apprentice of the Year?

Well... just being part of the competition gives you the chance to show what you're made of, check out the skills of your peers and impress your boss.

Putting yourself forward shows your workmates, your boss and your clients that you are serious about your future and that you are a real asset to your trade – and the prizes are great. Travel, a business tools grant, an amazing Outward Bound experience and some top of the range tools – you've got everything to gain and nothing to lose.



## THE PRIZES

Regional winners are in to win a great prize pack, all thanks to our sponsors.

### The winner from each region will receive:

- A place at a specially designed Outward Bound course (\$3,600 value, plus travel costs)
- The honour of representing your region at the national competition in Wellington in October – with travel and accommodation for you and up to three guests
- High quality trade specified products and tools from Irwin, Stanley, Wholesafe and Makita
- A trophy and certificate for you and your employer

and

- A study grant to go towards the cost of finishing your study or for post-graduate study in any building and construction course (up to \$2,000 value)

or

- \$2,000 to spend at Carters towards increasing your toolkit, like buying an expensive power tool or two.

### The national winner of the Apprentice of the Year competition will receive:

- Carters Business Tools Grant – a \$5,000 grant towards furthering your career, e.g. courses, laptop, or travel to industry conferences or expos
- Travel, accommodation and tickets (for two) to attend the Registered Master Builders House of the Year, National Awards Gala Dinner in Auckland in November
- High quality trade specified products and tools.

And **your boss** will win:

- Carters employer award of Air New Zealand travel to the value of \$1,000.

### Second and third place regional and national winners will win:

- A prize pack including high quality trade specified products and tools from Irwin, Stanley, Wholesafe and Makita
- Branded merchandise from the sponsors.

All competition entrants will get a one year apprentice membership to the Registered Master Builders Federation; and all finalists get branded products from the sponsors.

## WHAT'S THE DRILL – ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

Have you got what it takes to be New Zealand's next top apprentice?

Any **carpentry apprentice** can enter, but you must be:

- 26 years old or younger on 31 December 2011
- Currently employed by a building firm or a builder at the time of the regional competition being judged.

You'll also need to have:

- Completed at least two years of your National Certificate in Carpentry on-site or have finished your apprenticeship during

the start of 2011 (no more than six months before applications close).

But you won't have to:

- Be working for a Registered Master Builder or be doing a BCITO apprenticeship - the competition is inclusive and open to all carpentry apprentices.

## THE PROCESS – REGIONALS

Complete the attached entry form, including getting comments from your employer and training advisor, and send it to your regional coordinator (see Snip 'n Send section) by 30 June. They will then contact you to set up a time to meet the judges.

### The interview

Every applicant will be interviewed by a regional judging panel. They will assess your:

- Industry knowledge – building materials, codes of practice, and acts and regulations
- Portfolio – a record of the completed project that best shows off your skills – this is what you need to include as part of your entry
- References – recommendations from your boss and your training provider
- Personal qualities – your attitude, communication skills, teamwork, appearance and presentation, your contribution to your workplace and reliability.

From the interview process, up to 10 regional finalists are selected and the judges will then visit them on-site.

### The site visit

You will have the opportunity to impress the judges as they take a look at your:

- Skills on the tools – the presentation and quality of your work
- Industry knowledge – framing, cladding, plan reading
- Attitude to safe workplace practices – site management, housekeeping and personal protection equipment
- Tools – how well you maintain and look after them
- Attitude to your work – how you deal with your team, your boss, clients and suppliers.

The judges will also have a chat with your boss or supervisor to get their views on your work.

### The results

Finalists, and your family and workmates will be invited to attend an awards function to announce the regional winner and placegetters.

## THE PROCESS – NATIONAL

### The judging

At the national competition, regional winners will take part in a practical, hands-on challenge as well as an interview with the national judging panel. National judging will be across two days in Wellington.

### The results

You and your guests will be hosted by the sponsors at an awards dinner to announce the national winner.

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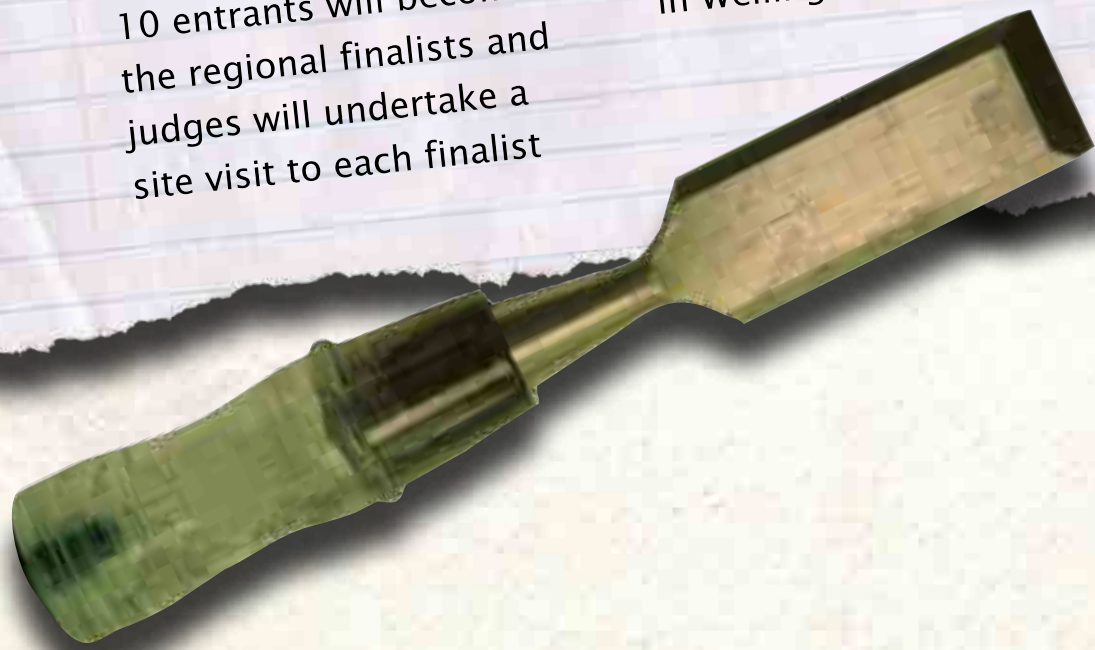


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# Chisel in these dates

- 5 April - entries open
- 30 June - entries close
- July and August - all entrants interviewed by the regional judging panel. From this the top 10 entrants will become the regional finalists and judges will undertake a site visit to each finalist
- September - regional winners will be announced at a local awards presentation
- 28/29 October - national judging and awards dinner in Wellington



## WANT TO KNOW MORE?



Contact Jo Darby from the national project team on phone 04 494 5136, txt 021 606 069 or email [jdarby@acumenrepublic.com](mailto:jdarby@acumenrepublic.com)

Or go to [www.masterbuilder.org.nz](http://www.masterbuilder.org.nz) or [www.carters.co.nz](http://www.carters.co.nz) or [www.bcito.org.nz](http://www.bcito.org.nz) to download additional entry form and see a mock completed entry.



Or check out our Facebook page: **RMB Carters Apprentice of the Year.**

## ENTRY CHECKLIST

1. Completed and signed entry form
2. References from employer and training advisor
3. Completed section 1A + 1B and supporting material, photo, plans etc
4. Photocopy your entry before sending it in

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## SNIP 'N SEND

**If you think you've got what it takes to strut your stuff with the best in your field, you need to fill out the attached entry form and send it to the coordinator listed for your region.**

### NORTHERN REGION

Greater Northland region from Kaitiaki and Whangarei south to, and including, the North Shore and Waitakare; and

**AUCKLAND REGION** Greater Auckland region, from the CBD south to Papakura and Pukekohe, NOT including the North Shore.

**Coordinator:** Sally Mehrrens, Auckland Registered Master Builders Association

**Ph:** 09 302 2894 **Mobile:** 027 285 9519

**Email:** [manager@akmasterbuilder.org.nz](mailto:manager@akmasterbuilder.org.nz)

**Address for entries:** ARMB, Unit 1F, 5 Ceres Court, Mairangi Bay, Auckland or PO Box 47 277, Ponsonby, Auckland

### WAIKATO REGION

From Pukekohe down to Tokoroa, Otorohanga and Te Kuiti, including Hamilton and the Coromandel NOT including Whangamata.

**Coordinator:** Colleen Walker, Waikato Registered Master Builders Association

**Ph:** 07 850 6037 **Mobile:** 027 272 2305

**Email:** [wmba@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wmba@xtra.co.nz)

**Address for entries:** RMBF, Level 6, 234 Wakefield Street, Wellington or PO Box 1796, Wellington

### BAY OF PLENTY REGION

Includes Whangamata, Tauranga, Whakatane, Rotorua and Taupo.

**Coordinator:** Lani Christensen, Tauranga Registered Master Builders Association

**Ph:** 07 577 0628 **Mobile:** 021 044 5654

**Email:** [masterbuilders@clear.net.nz](mailto:masterbuilders@clear.net.nz)

**Address for entries:** RMBF, Level 6, 234 Wakefield Street, Wellington or PO Box 1796, Wellington

### EAST COAST REGION

From Gisborne down to Waipukurau.

**Coordinator:** Katrina Duncan, Gisborne Registered Master Builders Association

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**Email:** [katrina@kaha.co.nz](mailto:katrina@kaha.co.nz)

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### CENTRAL NORTH ISLAND REGION

From New Plymouth and Taumarunui down to Levin, including Dannevirke and the Tararua District.

**Coordinator:** Donna Dowse, Manawatu Registered Master Builders Association

**Ph:** 06 353 1992 **Mobile:** 027 340 0533

**Email:** [mmba@xtra.co.nz](mailto:mmba@xtra.co.nz)

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### WELLINGTON REGION

Greater Wellington region including the Wairarapa and Kapiti Coast.

**Coordinator:** Gerald Rixon, Wellington Registered Master Builders Association

**Ph:** 04 381 2850 **Mobile:** 027 530 7268

**Email:** [wrmba@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wrmba@xtra.co.nz)

**Address for entries:** WRMB, 271-277 Willis Street, Wellington or PO Box 27 085, Wellington

### UPPER SOUTH ISLAND REGION

Including Blenheim, Nelson and Reefton.

**Coordinator:** Karen Lane, Nelson Registered Master Builders Association

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**Email:** [nrmba@ts.co.nz](mailto:nrmba@ts.co.nz)

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### CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND REGION

From Kaikoura and Christchurch to Ashburton and South Canterbury, and west to Greymouth and Hokitika.

**Coordinator:** Katrina Prattley, Canterbury Registered Master Builders Association

**Ph:** 03 357 9469 **Mobile:** 027 223 3450

**Email:** [crmba@xtra.co.nz](mailto:crmba@xtra.co.nz)

**Address for entries:** RMBF, Level 6, 234 Wakefield Street, Wellington or PO Box 1796, Wellington

### SOUTHERN REGION

Including Oamaru, Dunedin, Central Otago and Invercargill.

**Coordinator:** Vicki Popham

**Ph:** 03 217 6283 **Mobile:** 027 432 8076

**Email:** [vicki.popham@xtra.co.nz](mailto:vicki.popham@xtra.co.nz)

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