



## Learner of the Year FAQs

### **Where can I sign up?**

Enter your email address in the tab below or send us an email through the Contact Us page. Our event team will send you all the details.

### **If I am a learner, can I complete the form or does my lecturer need to do that?**

Your lecturer will need to complete the application form so please let them know that you are interested in entering.

### **Can I enter a full-time learner or apprentice?**

Yes, the competition is open to both full-time learners and apprentices.

### **How many learners can I enter?**

You can enter one learner per campus.

### **What's the deadline for applications?**

30<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – but get your entry in early, as places will fill up quickly!

### **What time does the competition start?**

You will need to arrive at your regional heat at 8am at the latest so that you can arrive in time to register before the briefing by the competition judge.

### **Where is my nearest regional heat?**

We run six regional heats across England and Wales. To find your closest venue, check out the dates below. Places fill up fast so please register your interest if you would like us to hold a spot for you at a particular venue.

### **Is there an age limit?**

Yes, the age limit is 24 at the time of application.

### **Can I enter a learner if they have previously taken part in the HIP Learner of the Year competition?**

You can only enter the learner if they did not reach the final of the competition.

### **What level does the learner have to be to enter?**

Your learner will need to be studying either Level 2 or Level 3.

### **Can I use my own tools?**

Yes, you will be required to bring and use your own tools during the competition.

### **What tools do I need?**

You will be sent a list of tools once your application has been accepted.

### **What are the prizes?**

Every learner receives a certificate for taking part. Keep an eye on our social media where we will reveal what prizes are up for grabs.

### **Do lecturers need to attend on the day?**

Every learner entering the competition must be accompanied by a lecturer or employer. We will be running a fun CPD day for the lecturers while the competition takes place.

### **Is there parking?**

Yes, there is parking at the venue.

**Can my learner bring friends & family to watch?**

Friends and family are welcome to attend and join the lecturers in the CPD day, but they will not be able to watch the live competition. Please email [admin@sng-publishing.co.uk](mailto:admin@sng-publishing.co.uk) with the names of any additional guests.

**Can I watch the competition?**

You cannot watch the live competition; social media content will be available on our channels throughout the event. Professional photographs will be available to download after all the regional heats have been completed.

**Do I need to bring lunch?**

No, lunch will be provided along with refreshments throughout the day. Competitors will be provided with bottled water during the competition. Please ensure that you make us aware of any dietary requirements prior to the competition.

**What does the test involve?**

Please refer to last year's test to give you an idea of the type of work you will be tested on. The test will involve copper pipework.