

The Village Christmas Lights Competition 2016

Competition Terms & Conditions

1. Economic Development Queensland is the person conducting this competition.
2. The competition is open to residents of The Village Estate only.
3. All entrants must be 18 years or older or have parental consent to enter into the 'Best Kids Display' category.
4. Registrations can be made by sending an email to rachel.cook@dilqp.qld.gov.au.
5. Registrations must be made by 5pm on Wednesday 30 November 2016.
6. Judging will take place on Thursday 15 December 2016, with a rain night scheduled for Friday 16 December 2016.
7. Residents must nominate the category they are entering upon registration. Residents can only enter into one category. Categories are:
 - Best House Display.
 - Best Window/Balcony Display.
 - Best Kids Display.
8. 'Best House Display' will be judged on all areas inside the residential property boundaries, including the house, gardens, fences etc.
9. 'Best Window/Balcony Display' will only be judged on the window and/or balcony areas of the house or residence. Other areas lit / decorated around the home will not be included in the judging criteria for this category.
10. 'Best Kids Display' will be judged on the variety of decorations used, use of colour and originality.
11. Judging criteria for both categories listed below:
 - a. Visual appeal
 - b. Display impact
 - c. Creativity
 - d. Theming and overall design
 - e. Tidiness
 - f. The judge's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
12. All participating homes are asked to have their displays illuminated between 7pm and 10pm on the evenings of 4 – 26 December 2016 (inclusive).
13. All Christmas lighting and decorations to be judged must be visible from the street frontage of the property.
14. Music or sound effects as part of the competition display are permitted only if they meet the following criteria:
 - a. Music and sound effects must be at an acceptable volume, and audible only whilst in the display zone. Loud, blaring music or sound effects are not permitted.
 - b. Music and sound effects must not affect surrounding houses in the neighbourhood
 - c. Music and sound effects must be played only between the competition hours of 7pm – 10pm.
15. Winners will be announced at The Village Christmas Party, to be held at Wes Barrett Park on Saturday 17 December 2016, 4pm – 7pm. Prize monies will be awarded at this event to winners. In the event that the winner is not present, Economic Development Queensland will contact the winner on Monday 19 December 2016, if they are not present at the event.
16. Competition categories and prizes are as follows:

Best House Display:

- \$250 Fairfield Central Voucher

Best Window/Balcony Display:

- \$250 Fairfield Central voucher

Best Kids Display:

- \$250 Fairfield Central Voucher

Judge's Prize:

- \$250 Fairfield Central Voucher

17. All registered homes will automatically receive one entry into the 'lucky prize' draw, to be announced at The Village Christmas Party. The prizes are voucher to 'The Fitness Games', 6 class Yoga pass and 2 x 2.5 hour mosaic classes and \$100 voucher to Cajam Circus. Winners of the 'Best House Display', 'Best Window/Balcony Display', 'Best Kids Display' and the 'Judge's Prize' will not be eligible to win this prize.
18. All entrants will receive a small sign to be placed prominently in the display identifying the home as entered in The Village Christmas Lights Competition. Winners of the 'Best House Display', 'Best Window/Balcony Display', 'Best Kids Display' and 'Judge's Prize' will also receive a sign to be displayed in a prominent position on their property from Sunday 18 December to Monday 26 December 2016. This sign should be secured overnight to prevent theft.
19. The misuse of electricity can cause damage to property, injury or death. Entrants must not use any indoor lighting products outdoors and must comply with the safety instructions of all electrical products used. Electrical safety is paramount and must be exercised at all times. Inspection by a qualified electrician is recommended.
20. For safety and security reasons, Economic Development Queensland recommends that Christmas light displays are removed and secured overnight.
21. In the event of inclement weather, it is strongly recommended that the displays be switched off and placed under cover until weather permits and conditions are safe for the lights to operate.
22. Ultimately, entrants are responsible for their own displays. Economic Development Queensland, its associated companies and appointed contractors accept no responsibility or liability for any damage, injury or theft relating to or occurring during The Village Chase Christmas Lights Competition 2016.
23. All entrants allow Economic Development Queensland to put their name, address and photographs of the Christmas light displays on their property, on any print and promotional material including web and electronic media.
24. Registering for The Village Christmas Lights Competition 2016 deems acceptance of these Terms and Conditions.