



### Official Entry Form 2020

#### **BEST CASH & CARRY**

#### adjective: best - of the most excellent or desirable type or quality

Are you the best in what is a very competitive and prestigious category? Does your depot clearly communicate your company's vision, mission and values to the customer? Is your management team always available to customers?

Is your depot maintained to a high standard with ease of shop at the forefront of the customer strategy? Does your company communicate promotions effectively to the customer – in shop/online/social media? Are your customers satisfied with your range and availability? Has your depot made improvements in the last year?

If so, we would encourage you to enter now and your depot could lay claim to this prestigious industry award.

#### **BEST SYMBOL GROUP**

Does your symbol group take a longer-term strategic approach to the way it does business?

Are you responsive to customers' product needs? Do you have a structured sales/support team that provides high-quality support to your symbol group retailers? Do you drive demand by effective customerfocused marketing, promotions and advertising within the symbol group?

If you can answer 'yes' to all of these questions, put your symbol group forward to win this prestigious award by entering now.

#### **EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR**

Do you have an employee who goes the extra mile to identify business opportunities and constantly looks to drive their self-development?

Employee of the Year offers a great opportunity to reward their achievements.

Please nominate one employee only (should not be Depot/General Manager).

#### **GREAT PLACE TO WORK**

This award is open to any cash & carry or delivered wholesaler that makes its employees feel valued at work through opportunities, working practices, equality and camaraderie.

We all know that our staff are our greatest asset. We all know that a happy workforce is one that is likely to be more successful where people are listened to and motivated, and are made to feel valued.

If you feel that your depot is a 'Great Place to Work' then please enter and win this award for your team.

#### **BEST LICENSED WHOLESALER**

This category is open to any wholesaler which delivers to the on-trade or off-trade, or is purely cash & carry.

As market dynamics continue to change, and the supply to the off-premise and on-premise is ever more blurred, are you the wholesaler that does it all or are you a best-in-class specialist?

We are looking for the company that has clear strategies and promotions that are targeted at the customers it services – a company that supports those customers to drive sales through their business, and clearly communicates and collaborates with the suppliers it works with.

#### BEST DELIVERED OPERATION - RETAIL

This award is open to any wholesaler delivering to the retail sector and recognises the best retail wholesalers delivering solutions, ideas and support to their end-user customers.

Do you drive demand by effective customer-focused advertising and promotions? Do you deliver in full – and on time – to customers? Do you have a structured sales/support team that provides high-quality support to your retailers? Do you clearly communicate company, category plans and objectives?

If so, enter now and you could be the proud recipient of the award for Best Delivered Operation – Retail.

### BEST DELIVERED OPERATION - FOODSERVICE

This award is open to any wholesaler delivering to foodservice operators and recognises the best foodservice wholesalers delivering solutions, ideas and support to their end-user customers.

The judges will be looking at how wholesalers are helping their operators understand legislation, menu planning, excellent service and doing things differently.

Enter now and you could be the proud recipient of this award.

#### **RISING STAR OF WHOLESALE**

Do you have an employee (26 years old or under) who is showing great attitude, ambition and potential? This new award could give them recognition for their achievements to date and encouragement for the future.

Please nominate the rising star in your organisation.

#### **BEST MARKETING INITIATIVE**

This category is open to any wholesaler which has developed and implemented a marketing initiative within the Scottish marketplace in the last 12 months.

Submissions must be fact-based and supported by the rationale behind the initiative along with the outcomes.

Entrants will be required to present, in any format they are comfortable with, to the panel of judges around mid-November 2019.

#### **GREEN WHOLESALER OF THE YEAR**

This NEW category is open to any wholesaler who can demonstrate that good environmental practice is a key business strategy and part of their ongoing development.

Judges will want to know everything you do in order to achieve your green objectives. This could include issues covering transport, energy and packaging waste, as well as customer and staff engagement and community involvement.

Entrants, you should show evidence of an overall strategy that sets out your targets and plans to achieve them.

# Supplier Awards

#### **BEST OVERALL SERVICE**

SWA member wholesalers nominate their top 20 suppliers based on deliveries (including admin support), wholesaler support and channel/ customer support. Then, over a four-month period, the wholesalers vote on the performance of the top 20 suppliers using the same criteria applied to the nominations.

Each month, the suppliers in contention are sent a full breakdown of their scores. This allows them to identify their strengths and weaknesses and thereby enhance their service to the wholesale trade.

#### BEST FOODSERVICE SUPPLIER

Similar to Best Overall Service, this award involves foodservice wholesalers nominating their top 15 suppliers and then voting for the shortlisted companies each month over a four-month period. Each month, the suppliers in contention are sent a full breakdown of their scores.

## BEST ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN

SWA member wholesalers nominate their favourite advertising campaign of 2019. This can be a TV, cinema, press, poster, online or outdoor advertising campaign but it must feature a product or service sold or used in the Scottish wholesale trade. Stills of the shortlisted adverts are sent to wholesalers to prompt awareness, and they then take a final vote.

#### **PROJECT SCOTLAND**

This award is designed to recognise and reward the efforts of suppliers' sales people in Scotland in building relationships with wholesalers through relevant initiatives.

The project can focus on a single wholesaler or multiple wholesalers throughout Scotland or in one geographical area and it can run for any period during 2019, ranging from a couple of weeks to all year.

The project does not have to run exclusively in Scotland. It can be a UKwide initiative; if it is, the judges will be looking for Scottish-specific results and perhaps tailormade Scottish support.

Wholesalers and suppliers can send in nominations for this award. Entrants will be invited to meet a judging panel of senior wholesale executives to discuss their initiative.

#### SUPPLIER SALES EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR

SWA member wholesalers nominate a sales executive who deserves special recognition for developing the business of his/her wholesaler customers in Scotland. It is not open to those who manage a sales team.

Sales executive name	
Job title	
Company	

# How to enter

Simply tick the boxes in the required panel and fill in your details below. You may enter as many categories as you wish.

Name of cash & carry/delivered wholesaler			
Depot address			
Contact name		Job title	
Telephone		Email	

Please fill out the form and post to: SWA, 30 McDonald Place, Edinburgh EH7 4NH

If you have an electronic (PDF) copy, please complete the form and submit using the buttons or email to: joanne@scottishwholesale.co.uk

#### Closing date for entries is: Friday 26 July 2019.

Any queries, please phone Joanne Mathieson on 0131 556 8753.





