

# **Wexford Garda Youth Awards 2026**

## **Guidelines**

The award categories are for young people aged between 13 and 21 years of age.

There are 4 categories to select from.

1. **Individual Award** - Making a positive contribution to their community, making it a better place to live.
2. **Group Award** - Groups of 2 or more, making a positive contribution to their community, making it a better place to live.
3. **Special Achievement Award** – Overcome difficult circumstances, defied all the odds, and whose commitment deserves recognition.
4. **Community Safety Award** - Through a crime prevention or safety initiative / innovation, have made their community a safer place to live.

Each category will ask 5 questions in relation to the category selected.

Also please note the following:

5. Awards are confined to those young people who are aged between 13 and 21 years on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2026.
6. Permanent residence of the young person must be in County Wexford.
7. Awards are confined to individuals and groups of two or more people.
8. Judge's decision is final.
9. The Judging Panel may decide upon one nominee in each category to go forward to represent the Division at the National Garda Youth Awards.
10. Any member of the public may nominate anyone whom they feel deserves an award.
11. Nominations may be submitted by family members or relatives.
12. Previous award winners are not eligible.
13. Forms must be signed by a nominator and co-nominator.
14. Please note that the Garda Youth Awards at Divisional and National level will receive media attention. Each award winner must sign a publication consent form. If consent is not given, you will still receive your award, but we will not be in a position to publicise you receiving the award at the award ceremony.

**Applications must be submitted on or before 4.00pm  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026.**

If anyone requires further information, they can contact either:

Inspector Graham Rowley at [wexford\\_ds@garda.ie](mailto:wexford_ds@garda.ie) , 053 9165280

or through their local Garda Station.

Late applications will **NOT** be accepted.