



2025 CATEGORIES & CRITERIA

All Projects must achieve the following criteria:

- Must include an external wall insulation system.
- Must be located within the UK and ROI.
- Have a completion date between 1st January 2024 and 31st March 2025 and not have been entered before.
- U-value achievement of 0.30 W/m². K or less.
- Have the approval of all parties involved in the project including the building owner if deemed to be required.

Written statements 'guidance' for ALL PROJECT (P) entries:

Please provide details:

- Explaining the background to the project, e.g., design brief, how it came about, what the client is looking to achieve etc.
- Specific design / technical challenges and how you were able to overcome them.
- Details relating to the installation of the EWI system (if applicable) paying particular attention to any specific challenges on site.
- Thermal performance enhancement achieved by the installation of EWI.
- Contributory factors such as design, location and aesthetics which make it a 'stand-out' project.
- Quotes from the client regarding the finished project, if available.
- If MMC, installation sequence i.e., all done off site or part on / off site and why EWI was specifically selected for this project.
- Please supply as much information as possible with good quality images (high end smartphone quality is acceptable). Please ensure you have rights / permissions to include all images you provide as they may be used for promotional purposes and will be published on the INCA website.

PROJECT CATEGORIES:

There are 8 ENTRY categories, split into two: NEW BUILD and REFURBISHMENT

These categories recognise skills and finishes in render, traditional (wet/dry dash, lime, harling, and rough cast) and brick /brick effect (including clay, ceramic, stone etc).

All categories may include MMC (Modern Methods of Construction).

Please use your judgement e.g., if your project is predominantly render with 'some' brick slips, please enter in the render/traditional finish category. **We will re-allocate if we feel it is better suited in another category.**

New Build EWI Project categories:

These categories are split by LOW RISE or HIGH RISE buildings.

- New Build low rise – EWI + Render / Traditional finish, below 11m high
- New Build low rise – EWI + Brick / Brick effect finish, below 11m high
- New Build high rise – EWI + Render / Traditional finish, above 11m high
- New Build high rise – EWI + Brick / Brick effect finish, above 11m high

Refurbishment EWI Project categories:

These categories are split by LOW RISE or HIGH RISE buildings.

- Refurb low rise – EWI + Render / Traditional finish, below 11m high
- Refurb low rise – EWI + Brick / Brick effect finish, below 11m high
- Refurb high rise – EWI + Render / Traditional finish, above 11m high
- Refurb high rise – EWI + Brick / Brick effect finish, above 11m high

ADDITIONAL CATEGORIES – automatic entries

Any project entered into the above will automatically be submitted into the following additional categories (if/as appropriate):

Small Project of the Year:

Small projects (single building below 300m²) will automatically be entered into this category and judged fairly against similar size projects.

Judges Choice – Environmental Impact

The Judges will select projects that have made significant environmental impact in some way – for example this could be through achieving ultra-low / vastly improved energy standards or by environmental and energy conservation evidence and showing commitment towards zero carbon. The more information you provide the greater the chance that your project will be considered in this category by the Judges.

Judges Choice - Architectural Design

The Judges choice for Architectural Design, will recognise transformative design and puts the spotlight on the way in which EWI can be selected as an exciting, versatile façade. The more comprehensive the project entry, the greater likelihood the judges will shortlist in this category.

NON-PROJECT CATEGORIES:

Component Supplier of the Year NOMINATIONS

An award to celebrate the contribution made by component suppliers into the EWI industry, frequently described as the cornerstone of the industry.

Voted for online by INCA Contractor and System Designer Members.

Online votes ranked in the following areas:

- Customer Services
- Lead times
- Product range
- Product innovation
- Site / project support

Installer of the Year NOMINATIONS

The Installer of the Year Award recognises the achievements of INCA contractor members for excellence of installation and service. This award is for INCA Contractor members only.

Voted for online by INCA System Designer & Associate Members.

Online votes ranked in the following areas:

- Quality of workmanship
- Commitment to training
- Communication & Client satisfaction
- Health & safety commitment

- Pay on time

Outstanding Achievement NOMINATIONS

The Outstanding Achievement Award recognises an individual who has made a real difference to the EWI industry through personal attainment. We would like to see a diverse range of nominations including Directors, Managers and Operatives who have demonstrated success in areas such as business development, health and safety, marketing, environmental initiatives, and technical development.

Your online nomination outlining why the nominee deserves the Outstanding Achievement Award should reflect how the individual has championed EWI and raised the profile of the industry.

Nominations welcome from all INCA Members. The winner will be selected from your nominations by the INCA Board of Directors.