

The 2025 Stanfords Award for Printed Mapping Products

Stanfords have provided the British Cartographic Society (BCS) with an Award for Printed Mapping Products. The award will be made annually or exceptionally at other times as may be determined by the Council of BCS. It will be given for the most outstanding map presented for consideration.

Entries will be considered by a panel of judges, appointed by the BCS Awards Officer. The panel will include a range of people from different areas of expertise representing the broad membership base. The panel will judge the quality and design of the map in relation to the purpose for which the map was produced.

The winning entry will be announced at the Awards Ceremony at the BCS Conference normally held in **September**. The Stanfords Award comprises a crystal trophy and a certificate. The winning entry will go forward for The BCS Award. Runners up will each receive a certificate. The winner and runners up will be permitted to use the BCS logo on all further copies of the map edition that was entered for the Award.

All entries will be exhibited at the BCS Conference and the winners will be published in *The Cartographic Journal* and on the BCS website following the Awards Ceremony.

For the purposes of the award competition the term 'printed mapping product' includes the following:

- Folded maps, flat maps and wall maps
- Atlases
- Books
- Posters
- Leaflets
- Magazines

This list is not exhaustive and the judging panel will consider other formats as appropriate.

The **RULES OF THE COMPETITION** apply to all competitors and those failing to comply with them will automatically be excluded.

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Rules of the Competition

1. The award is for Printed Mapping Products, examples of which are given in the award description.
2. Entries may be submitted by any individual or organisation and is not restricted to BCS members.
3. The award will be presented to the individual or organisation responsible for producing the entry.
4. All entries submitted must be original products.
5. All entries must be in their finished state.
6. Each entry must be produced between 23rd June 2024 and 22nd June 2025.
7. Each entry should be submitted via the electronic form from the link supplied on the BCS website, which briefly states:
 - a. the purpose for which it was produced;
 - b. the user need that it is intended to meet;
 - c. the circumstances of its production, e.g. by firm, team, individual.
8. All entries become the property of the BCS and will be placed in the awards archive of the Society. They cannot normally be returned.
9. By entering the Competition, entrants are giving a royalty free, non-exclusive, perpetual licence to BCS to exhibit (at their sole discretion) your entry at the BCS Conference and to reproduce all or part of your entry in all BCS publications and on the BCS website including images of people receiving their Awards. Due acknowledgment will be made to the entrant. For entries made using copyright material owned by a third party, entrants will ensure that the copyright owner shall give a royalty free, non-exclusive, perpetual licence to BCS to exhibit (at their sole discretion) their copyright material at the Conference and to reproduce all or part of their copyright material in all BCS publications and on the BCS website.
10. Any number of entries may be submitted provided that each entry is: distinctly different;
accompanied by a duly completed entry form.
11. Those entering items for this award should complete and submit the electronic form available on the BCS website and submit One hard copy by post which must be with the BCS Awards Officer by the closing date. On receipt of the electronic and hard copies, electronic receipt acknowledgment will be sent.
12. The closing date for receipt of entries is **22nd June 2025**. The entries must have been produced during the twelve calendar months preceding the closing date.

13. Entrants are responsible for the safe delivery of their entry to the address given on the entry form by the closing date. No responsibility is taken by either Stanfords or BCS for lost, delayed, incomplete, damaged, corrupted or non-transmitted entries. Entries should either be packed flat or rolled in a tube and the parcel should be clearly marked

'2025 BCS Awards STANFORDS' followed by the "Title of Entry"

14. By providing information, entrants consent to BCS to administer their data for the administration of the Competition and any other purposes to which entrants have consented at the time of supplying it. Any personal data supplied by entrants will be processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018.
15. By entering this Competition, entrants agree to participate in reasonable publicity arising from this Competition.
16. The Judges' decision is final and correspondence about the competition and its results will not be entered into.
17. The winning entry will be automatically entered for the BCS Award. In the event that the BCS Award is won, the winner must ensure that the BCS Award Bowl is kept within the UK and insured for all risks under their business/home insurance while it is in their care. The BCS Award Bowl is to be returned to the BCS before the following Conference/Symposium, when requested, but the winner retains a smaller replica BCS Award trophy.
18. These rules shall be governed by English law and the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction.
19. If further details are required please use this link:
<http://www.cartography.org.uk/awards>