



NOW YOU HAVE AN OSCOV AWARD – WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO NEXT?

Congratulations! Well done on receiving a prestigious OSCOV Award.

OSCOV now needs some extra information to formally process and register your award.

This document explains what you now need to do. Please note that if you don't provide the information we need, in time – we may have no option but to revoke the award.

Please carefully read & follow these instructions:

- (a) time can be of the essence in the photography process – flower condition can deteriorate quickly, insect or fungal damage can occur, or other undesirable events can also intervene. Please take **many** pictures (including the whole plant, a single stem, and a representative individual flower) as soon as you can, and use a black or neutral background;
- (b) please make sure your photos are **high** resolution – being at least 1.5 MB in size;
- (c) photos that are taken some time **after** the award is granted (e.g. with more open flowers than were present when the Judges considered the award) may be rejected;
- (d) email your **best** pictures (no more than 5 or 6 of them) to oscovawards@gmail.com within 6 weeks from the award being granted;
- (e) complete the award application form:
 - (1) for a quality, culture, distinctiveness, or breeding quality award: [OSCOV-AwardApplicationForm@17.3.26.pdf](#)
 - (2) for a rarity award: [OSCOV-CBMApplicationForm@17.3.26.pdf](#)and also email this within 6 weeks from the award being granted to oscovawards@gmail.com. You should also be able to get a paper copy of the correct form from the Judging Panel leader at the time your orchid is awarded;
- (f) don't forget to specify how long you have owned the orchid, and whether or not it is a seedling flowering for the first time;
- (g) please feel free to contact Sharyn Bolitho (the OSCOV Awards Secretary) on 0422 220 645 or at oscovawards@gmail.com for help in this process; and
- (h) please note that eligible awarded orchids are automatically entered into the Victorian Orchids of The Year (**VOOTY**) competition.