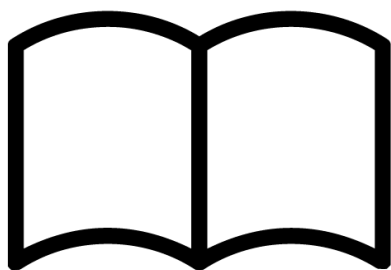




Disability  
Commissioner  
Tasmania

# Design our new mascot

## Entry form



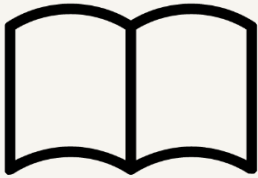
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## About Easy Read



**Easy Read**

This is an Easy Read form.

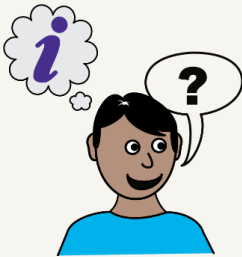
Easy Read uses pictures to explain ideas.



Hard words are in **bold**.

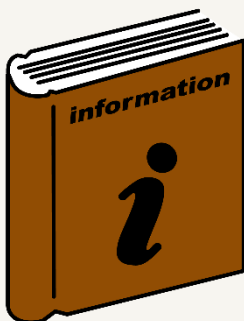
We tell you what hard words mean.

There is a word list on **page 21**.



Easy Read includes key information.

You can ask us for more information.



There is another document with more information about the competition.

## About this form

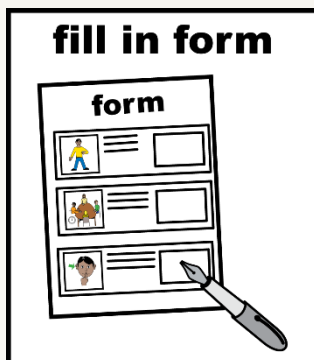


This form is by **Disability Commissioner Tasmania**.

When you see the words 'we' or 'us' it means **Disability Commissioner Tasmania**.

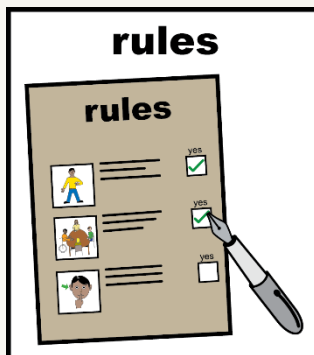


When you see the word 'competition' it means the **'Design our new mascot' competition**.



You can fill in this form to enter the competition.

The form starts on **page 16**.

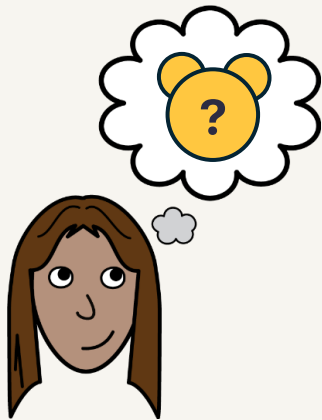


We will tell you more about the competition first.

## About the competition



**Disability Commissioner Tasmania** is holding a competition.



The competition is to design a mascot for **safety** and **belonging**.

The competition is for:

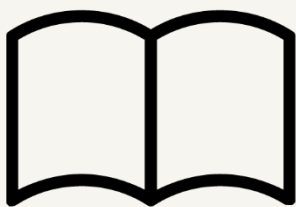


- **International Day of People with Disability** and



- **Human Rights Day**

## Entry guidelines

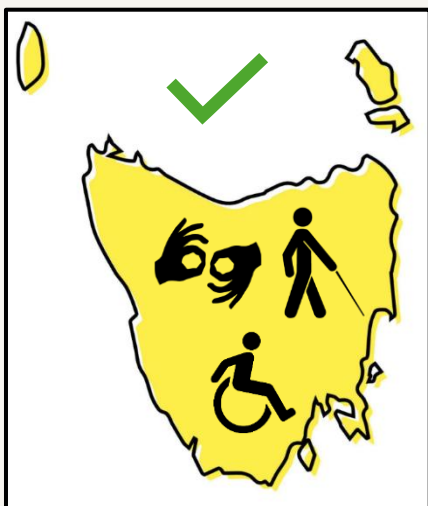


### Easy Read

This is an easy read version of the entry guidelines.

The standard entry guidelines are on our website.

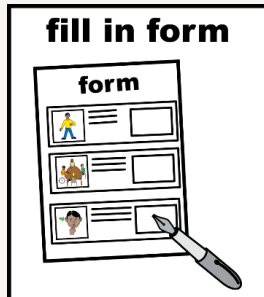
## Who can enter the competition



You can enter if

- You are a person with disability and
- You live in Tasmania.

## How to enter the competition



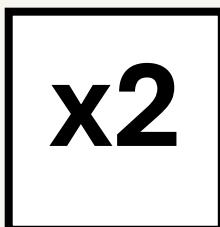
You can fill in this form to enter the competition.



You can get help to enter the competition.

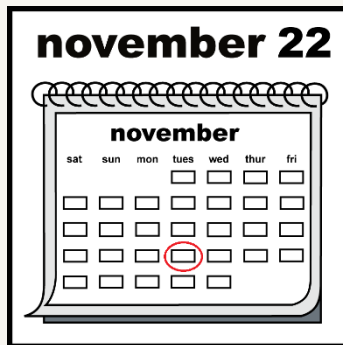


Entering the competition is free.

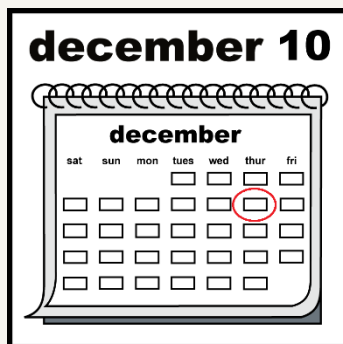


You can enter two designs into the competition, if you want.

## When the competition is happening



You can enter the competition until the end of 22 November 2026.



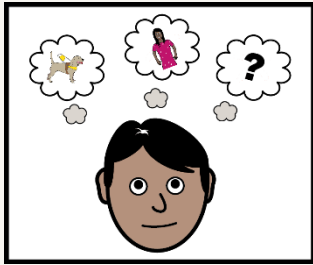
The winner will be announced at an event on 10 December 2026.

## Rules about your design



Your design can be in any **medium**. For example:

- A drawing
- A photo of a model you have made
- Writing
- A video or audio recording or
- Something else



Your design could be a character, animal, creature, or something else you have imagined.



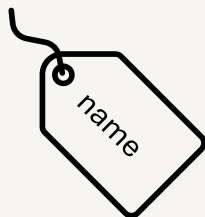
You can get help with your design.



## Your design must



- be your own idea and
- be labelled with your name.





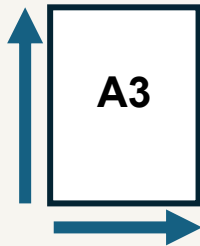
Your design must not



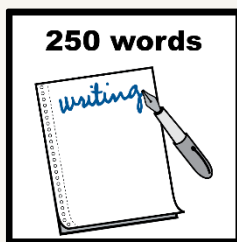
- use AI or



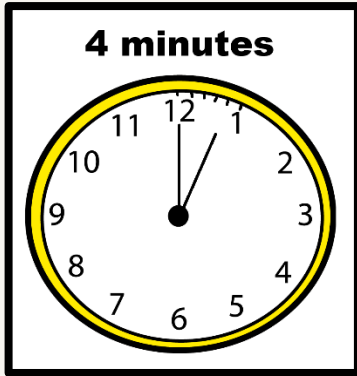
- break **copyright laws**.



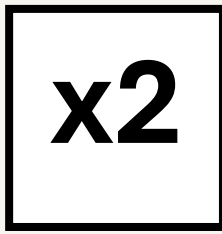
If your design is a photo or on paper, it can be up to A3 size.



If your design is writing, it can be up to 250 words long.

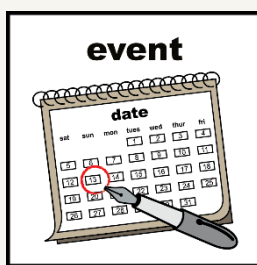


If your design is an audio or video recording, it can be up to 4 minutes long.



You can enter two designs into the competition, if you want.

## What happens if you enter the competition

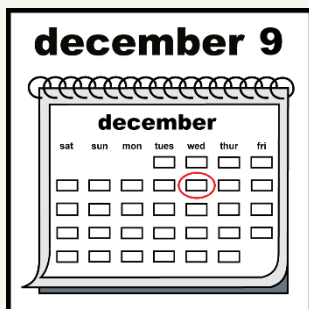


All the entries will be shown:

- at an event on 10 December



- in an **online gallery** on our website



The online gallery will be available from 9 December 2026.



Disability Commissioner Tasmania will **promote** the competition.



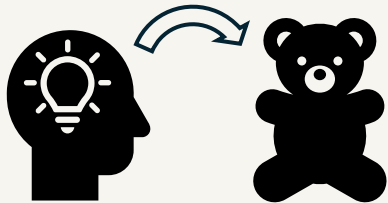
If you enter the competition, Disability Commissioner Tasmania might use these things for promoting the competition:

- your name
- your design
- your ideas

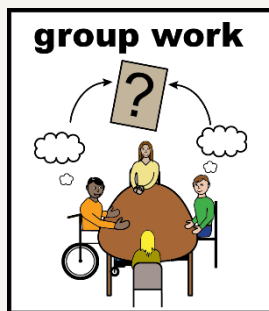


You will not be paid if we use your name, design, or ideas to promote the competition.

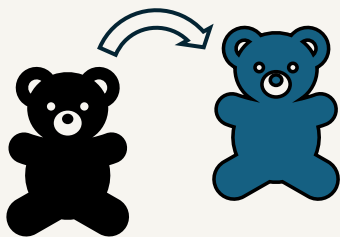
## What happens if you win the competition



If you win the competition, your design will be turned into a **plush toy**.



You will work together with Disability Commissioner Tasmania and a professional designer.



Your design will be **developed** to make sure the plush toy is safe and **fit for purpose**.



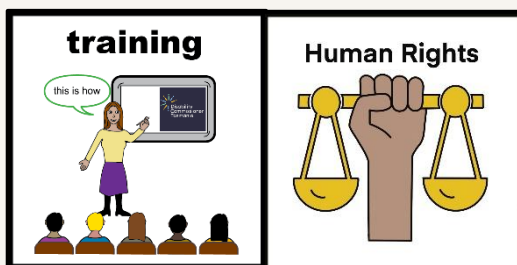
Disability Commissioner Tasmania will use the plush toy to:



- give to people who live in **supported accommodation**



- Help people learn about Disability Commissioner Tasmania and



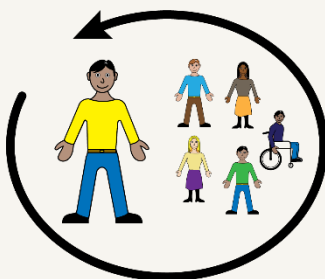
- help people learn about their rights.

## How we will choose the winner



Disability Commissioner Tasmania will choose the winner.

We will choose the winner based on:



1. How your design represents **safety** and **belonging**

2. How your design would work for people who:



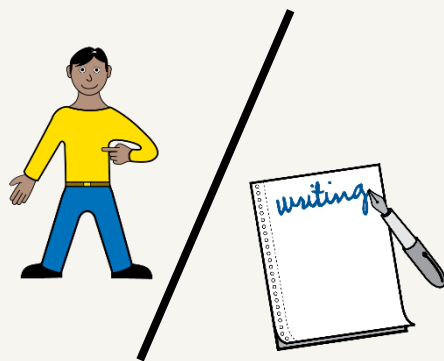
a. live in **supported accommodation**



b. go to a disability **support school** or



c. are at **Ashley Youth Detention Centre**



You can show this by:

- having lived experience
- OR
- explaining in your entry form



3. How your design could help people learn about Disability Commissioner Tasmania.

## Entry form

Design our new mascot: Share your ideas about safety and belonging.

### About me

1. Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Age: \_\_\_\_\_
3. What suburb or town do you live in?  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. How can we contact you? ☐ Phone ☐ Email
5. Your phone number or email address:  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Do you have any other communication needs?  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Do you need someone to help us contact you? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you said yes, please tell us:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact details: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Have you experienced any of these?

- ☐ Living in supported accommodation
- ☐ Attending a support school
- ☐ Being at Ashley Youth Detention Centre

9. If you are a school student, please tell us where you go to school:

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### About your design

10. Tell us a little about your design (please write or record up to 100 words):

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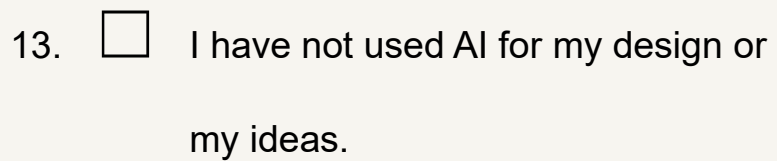
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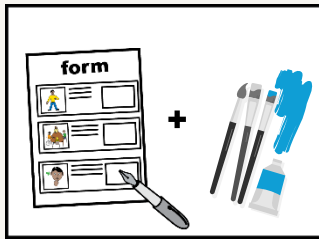
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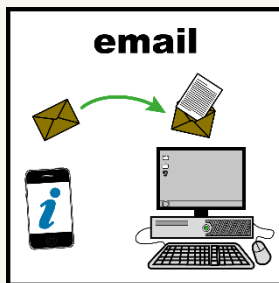
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## Where to send your entry form



Attach your designs and ideas to this entry form.

You can give us your entry form:



- By email:

[contact@disabilitycommissioner.tas.gov.au](mailto:contact@disabilitycommissioner.tas.gov.au)

Send us an email with the subject line:

Design a Mascot Entry <your name>.

Your design or ideas can be in these

**formats:** Word document, pdf, jpeg, png, or mp3.



- By mail:

Disability Commissioner Tasmania

GPO Box 123

Hobart TAS 7001



- In person:

Disability Commissioner Tasmania  
office

Level 5, 188 Collins St

Hobart TAS 7001

## Agreement

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I understand and agree to the entry guidelines.

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **My Nominee, Guardian or Support Person (if applicable)**

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

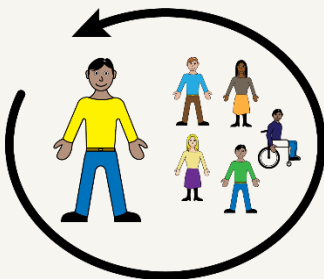
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Word list



## Ashley Youth Detention Centre

Ashley Youth Detention Centre is a **detention** centre for young people who have been **convicted** of crimes.



## belonging

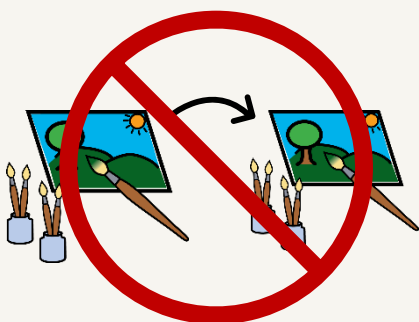
Belonging means:

- Being yourself
- Feeling connected to others and
- Being included in your community



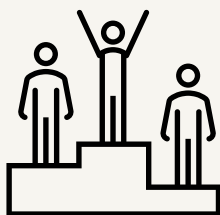
## convicted

Convicted means a person has been found guilty of a crime in court.



## copyright laws

Copyright laws are laws to protect people's ideas and artwork from being stolen. If something is protected by copyright, it means you need permission to use it or copy it.



### **‘Design our new mascot’ competition**

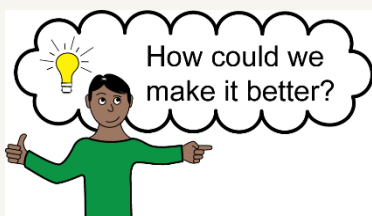
A competition being run by Disability Commissioner Tasmania.

This document is the entry form for the ‘Design our new mascot’ competition.



### **detention**

detention is when a court decides a person must stay in a secure place.



### **developed**

Developed means being improved and changed.



### **Disability Commissioner Tasmania**

Disability Commissioner Tasmania is an **independent authority** that supports the rights of people with disability in Tasmania.

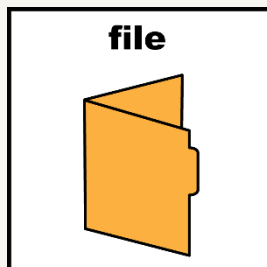
Disability Commissioner Tasmania wrote this document.



## **fit for purpose**

Fit for purpose means something can do a good job at what is meant to do.

For example: a soft toy needs to be soft. A toy made from glass would not be fit for purpose.



## **formats**

formats are different types of computer files.

A format is usually at the end of a file name.

For example: .jpg, .pdf, .mp3, .docx



## **independent authority**

An independent authority is an organisation that is made by laws.

The government cannot tell an independent authority what to do or say.



## **medium**

A medium is the thing you use to make art.

Some examples of mediums are:

- Painting or drawing
- Pottery or woodwork



- Photography
- Knitting, crochet, or sewing
- Animation, video, or music
- Creative writing



### **online gallery**

an online gallery is a collection of artworks on the internet.



### **plush toy**

A plush toy is a soft stuffed toy.

For example, a teddy bear is a plush toy.



### **promote**

promote means to advertise or talk about something.

Promoting something is public.

Promoting can happen online, on the radio, on posters, and other places.

## **safety**

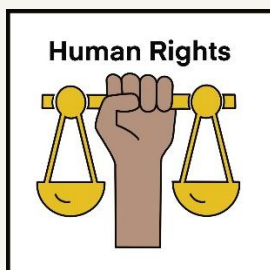
Safety means:



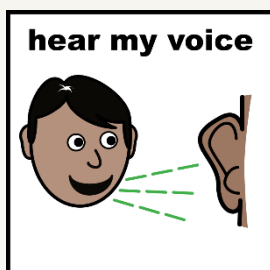
- Feeling and being safe



- Feeling and being respected



- Knowing your rights and



- Having a voice.



## **supported accommodation**

supported accommodation is when you get support to live independently.

For example, supported independent living with the NDIS.



## **support school**

Support schools are schools just for students with disability.

There are three support schools in Tasmania:

- Southern Support School
- Northern Support School and
- North West Support School.