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LEAVE NO TRACE TIDYTOWNS AWARD

Leave No Trace Ireland want to recognise TidyTowns groups who are taking action to protect their natural environment and minimise their impact when they are recreating in the outdoors.



For more details on how to enter your TidyTowns group in this competition, visit www.leavenotraceireland.org/news

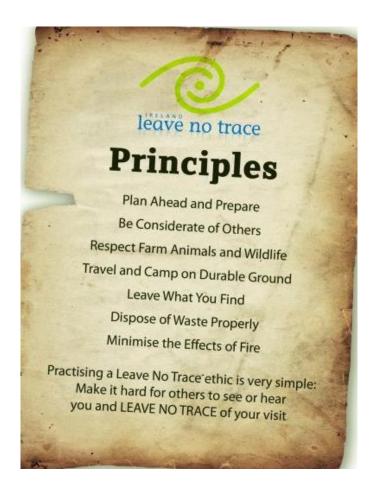
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Leave No Trace TidyTowns Award 2019

Leave No Trace Ireland is a not-for-profit company made up of partner organisations with a shared interest in encouraging responsible enjoyment of Ireland's natural environment. Our mission is to promote and inspire responsible outdoor recreation through education, research and partnership throughout the island of Ireland. As increasing numbers of people seek the beauty and exhilaration of outdoor travel and recreation, our collective mark on the environment and its natural processes increases. Litter, water pollution, disturbance of vegetation, wildlife, livestock and other people are all indicators of the need to develop a natural ethic that protects both natural and cultural heritage. Techniques designed to minimise the environmental and social impacts in these areas are incorporated in and promoted by the national Leave No Trace Ireland programme.



About the Award

This new award is sponsored by Leave No Trace Ireland, and recognises those communities who are taking action to protect their natural environment and minimise their impact when they are recreating in the outdoors. Leave No Trace Ireland are aware of communities throughout Ireland putting in tremendous efforts promoting responsible behaviour in the outdoors and would like to acknowledge and reward them for their efforts.

The Prize

Educational training to the value of €1000 for 1 community group across Ireland. (1 Awareness Workshop for TidyTowns Committee and 1 space on the Leave No Trace Ireland 2 day Trainer Course) and a specially designed sign for the community group to erect in the local park / amenity with Leave No Trace Ireland principles.

What are you doing in your community that promotes Leave No Trace Ireland?

The award is open to any community group who has shown an appreciation for their local environment and has taken action to promote responsible recreational behaviour. Tell us about your initiatives undertaken between June 2018 and May 2019 (examples include: encouraging event organisers to promote responsible behaviour such as providing water stations to eliminate single use water bottles, responsible dog owner campaigns, campaigns to reduce single use cups, awareness raising of the principles of Leave No Trace, perhaps a walking group in your community has engaged in environmental awareness campaigns among their members, is there a scouting group in your community taking environmental action as part of their activities, have your young people taken action to protect the areas they recreate in, has any work been undertaken protecting or restoring pathways? Have you as a committee engaged in Leave No Trace Ireland training? Does your local signage refer to the 7 principles of Leave No Trace Ireland? Etc.).

Leave No Trace Ireland are not asking you to develop new projects for this award. Take a look at all the activities your TidyTowns committee have completed since last May, and or perhaps another group in your community are doing great work following the Leave No Trace principles.

How can you enter?

- 1. Complete the attached application form, outlining in 2000 words or less, how Leave No Trace Ireland is promoted in your community. Give brief details of projects or campaigns completed highlighting awareness of Leave No Trace Ireland principles.
- 2. We are accepting one application per community and this should come from the official TidyTowns Group.
- 3. Your application can include photographs but please reduce the size of them.

NOTE: Your completed application form will be marked out of 100.





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Entry Form

Section A

Name of TidyTowns Committee and County:

Contact name and phone number:

Email address:

Postal Address:

Population of your town:

Data Protection

I confirm that my contact details as above may be used in communications relating to the Leave No Trace Ireland Tidy Towns Award. Any personal information which I provide in this way is not made available to any third parties, save as required by law, and is used only in line with the purpose for which I provided it. Any personal information which I provide will be treated in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation.

Please tick your consent to process your data for this application

Please tick your consent here if you wish to receive updates from Leave no Trace Ireland

Section **B**

1. Outline what actions have been taken in your community to raise awareness of the Leave No Trace Ireland principles in outdoor areas or events. (30 marks) 2. Outline how your committee engaged other organisations in the community i.e., business, volunteers to deliver the above actions. (20 marks)

3. What impact have your activities promoting the ethos of Leave No Trace in your community had on the local environment? How has your community promoted this? (30 marks)

4. Briefly highlight any future plans you have to incorporate Leave No Trace principles in your community. (20 marks)

