



**RESERVIST EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR:
SELF-NOMINATION FORM 2026**

The Reservist Employer of the Year Award recognises an employer, a company, or an organisation that provides commendable support and/or encouragement to their employee who is also a member of the New Zealand Defence Force.

This form has been created to ensure the Selection Panel considering the recipient of the NZDF Reservist Employer of the Year Award have sufficiently detailed and consistent information to select the overall winner.

NB: **The completed application form will be held in confidence and will not be publically shared.**

This nomination form is the only accepted format for nominations. Nominations are to be:

- Typed, not handwritten, to remove any ambiguity when reading the answers.
- Written in a clear and concise manner. It is recommended that detailed information and examples of performance are included.
- All sections are to be completed, including signature and date.
- Submitted to Reserves@nzdf.mil.nz NLT 29 June 2026.

KEY CRITERIA

The Selection Panel will be looking for the employer, company, or organisation that best meets all Reservist Employer of the Year Award criteria, ahead of an outstanding example of one or more of the criteria.



Reservist Employer of the Year 2026
Self-nomination
Administration Form

1. Name of your Organisation

2. Circle the two categories that are best suited to your company

- a. Large employer (50+ full time equivalent employees)
- b. Small/medium employers (1 - 49 full time equivalent employees)
- c. Private sector
- d. Public sector

Physical Address

Company Email

Company Phone

3. Please state how and/or where you heard about nominations for the 2025 Tohu Awards

4. Your name (as the person nominating this organisation, your organisation stated in #1 above)

Cell Phone Number

Physical Address

Email Work

Email Private



Reservist Employer of the Year 2026
Self-Nomination Form
Recommendations, detailed information and examples of the nominees' performance.

<p>List/describe the ways in which your organisation's policy allows for a supportive work environment in which Reservists are able to feel valued.</p>	
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<p>Quality training equips reservists with valuable skills that are highly transferable to the civilian workplace. Underpinning each and every Defence person are the core values of Courage, Comradeship, and Commitment.</p> <p>Describe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• how you have recognised the benefits Defence People bring to your organisation,• and how you are making the most of their skills.	
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<p>From time to time a Reservist will be faced with increased periods of activity, requiring leave over and above standard leave policies.</p> <p>Provide example(s) of support offered by your organisation to a Reservist employee who is faced with these expectations.</p>	
<p>If you have further examples as to why your organisation makes a worthy nomination for Reservist Employer of the Year, please provide them here.</p>	