

# the dtic

# Furniture Design Competition

## Entry Form

Please fill in and submit

### ENTRANT DETAILS: STUDENT CATEGORY

Name.....

Surname.....

ID No .....

Tel no.....

Cell no .....

E-mail .....

Name of Institution.....

Qualification for which you are enrolled.....

Current year of study .....

Province.....

I agree that the above information is correct

Sign .....

**NB! Please note that the above information will be used for all correspondence regarding this entry.**



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Furniture Initiative

## Terms and Conditions

- **the dtic**, and its partners, reserves the right to refuse entry of products that are not eligible or do not comply with applicable entry criteria, or that might put in question the reputation of the competition.
- Only new concepts (designs) are eligible to enter the competition.
- The competition is ONLY open to students registered with South African educational institutions and locally based, registered designers and or manufacturers.
- Students may only enter as individuals not teams.
- The names of all individuals involved in the design must be disclosed.
- If the design has been patented or registered as a design, a copy of the first page of all registration certificates must be submitted with the entry.
- The entry form must be completed in full and all compulsory documents submitted before the closing date to be eligible.
- Entries that do not comply with the competition requirements will be disqualified.
- **the dtic** and its partners will not be held accountable for product performance or design originality.
- The panel of adjudicators and the administrators of the competition undertake to handle all entries in the strictest confidence and not to disclose any information on entries to any other party. However, in the event of a product winning the design may be made public to the media.
- Although every reasonable precaution will be taken to ensure the safekeeping of products submitted, **the dtic** and its partners cannot be held liable for loss or damage to any entry material.
- The decision of the adjudicators is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- By entering this competition and signing the disclaimer the entrant is agreeing to all above-mentioned conditions of entry.

## Guidelines to Entry

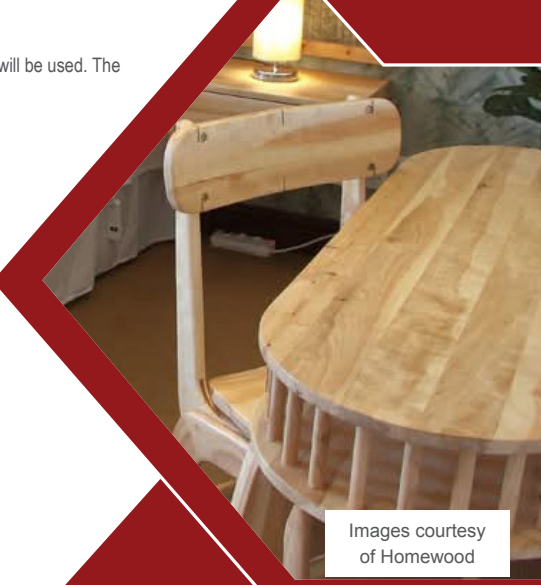
- No registration fees is required
- Products design must be new, original and ready for production.
- You are invited to design furniture item (s) under the theme: **Back to School** (See the competition brief for more information).
- The entrants are expected to submit technical drawing of the product (including the final product dimensions and 3D drawings), description of materials and inputs to be used in production, and description of the design and the concept behind the design.
- Entrants are required to forward a digital copy of the entry form and all the compulsory information requested.
- Multiple entries are possible as long as entry form for each is done separately.
- Entry forms must be signed and (e)mailed to **the dtic**
- Compulsory information to submit:
  - Technical drawing of the product (technical drawings must include the final product dimensions and 3D drawings)
  - Description of materials to be used in production
  - Description of the design and the concept behind the design
- Completed forms and compulsory information can also be emailed to FurnitureDesign@thedtic.gov.za
- The adjudication criteria and weighting thereof is decided by the judges in line with the annual theme and a scorecard will be used. The criteria focus on the following areas:
  - Concept behind the product
  - Functionality/usability of the product
  - Degree of innovation
  - Ease of manufacturing
  - Commercial viability
- Judging will be done in two stages
- Finalists will be announced on/or before 30 November 2026.
- Winners will be announced in February/March 2027.
- The judges' decision is final.

## Important dates

Entries open	27 March 2026
Entries close	30 September 2026
Final judging	Feb/March 2027
Winners announced	Feb/March 2027

Sign.....

I have read and understand the attached conditions



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