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The British Veterinary Hospital Association is dedicated to promoting excellence in veterinary practice and design. As part of its mission the BVHA holds its biennial Design Awards competition.

Any UK practice that has completed a building project between June 15, 2019 and October 15, 2021 is eligible to enter the competition.

The categories for the **Design Awards 2021** competition are:

- 1. New-build premises
- 2. Conversions of premises previously used for other purposes
- 3. Refurbishment of existing practice premises

Certificates and prizes are awarded to the winner in each category. The overall winner receives a special prize and there are President's Awards for outstanding design features, sustainability, and outstanding working environment.

Entries must include a floor plan, sent by post, and good quality photos (up to 20) submitted by email, prints or memory stick along with a completed application form. An account, of not more than 500 words, about the project emphasising special features, satisfaction or otherwise with the end-result and an indication of the cost of the project is to be included with the submission.

The closing date for entries will be October 15, 2021. The judging will commence with an assessment of the submitted material and a shortlist compiled. The practices which have been shortlisted will be visited (possibly virtually in 2021 due to Covid-19) by members of the judging panel who will decide on the winners in each category. The prize-winners will be notified by post and the results will be published. The judges decisions are final.

Representatives from the winning practices will be invited to the award ceremony to be held in early December. Entry to the competition includes two tickets to the Prize Giving Luncheon.

To enter the competition, you will need to submit the following information completed on the entry form for the **Design Awards 2021** which is available on the BVHA website, www.bvha.org.uk

- Your practice details.
- The number of staff employed and their roles in the practice.
- The areas of veterinary practice in which you are involved, i.e. equine, small animal, referral.
- A report about your project emphasising its outstanding design and innovative features.
- No more than 20 photographs showing the practice both before and after the project.
- A full-size floor plan of the premises, preferably the architect's drawings.
- An indication of the various costs incurred.