

## Entries Welcome for 2020 Significant Contribution to Food Safety Award

Nominations are open for the 2020 Significant Contribution to Food Safety Award, sponsored by New Zealand Food Safety.

As part of the New Zealand Institute of Food Science and Technology (NZIFST) Awards, the Significant Contribution to Food Safety Award recognises the improvement or development of a process or operation, whether from an individual, team or organisation. Nominees can impact one sector, or across a few sectors.

New Zealand Food Safety welcomes nominees who have:

- made improvements in areas such as science and research, equipment or processing technology, or product and packaging development; or
- built and maintained an effective food safety culture through staff engagement, education, and/or training.

“We are proud that New Zealand is home to many forward-thinking, solutions-oriented food safety champions and we want to tell their stories through the Significant Contribution to Food Safety Award,” said New Zealand Food Safety’s Deputy Director-General Bryan Wilson.

“It’s important to continually recognise the people and organisations that maintain and grow New Zealand’s strong international reputation as a provider of safe and suitable food – the success of our food safety system depends on the dedication and expertise of people throughout New Zealand’s food industry,” Mr Wilson said.

“This strength of the food system has been demonstrated throughout the COVID-19 response, where the New Zealand food industry went above and beyond to produce, package and transport safe and suitable food to millions of people.”

To nominate individuals, teams, and/or organisations, visit [www.mpi.govt.nz/significant-contribution-to-food-safety-award/](http://www.mpi.govt.nz/significant-contribution-to-food-safety-award/) Self-nominations are also accepted. Nominations close at 5pm on 30 June 2020.

The NZIFST Awards will be announced on 18 August 2020. The Significant Contribution to Food Safety Award winner will receive a trophy, and a 12-month NZIFST membership. Previous winners of the Award are Rosie Waller (2019), Professor Nigel French (2018) and Dr Lesley Rhodes (2017).

If you have any questions, please email [foodactinfo@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:foodactinfo@mpi.govt.nz) or call 0800 00 83 33.

