

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (SUBMISSIONS)

Entries

Do I need to be a Member of the Academy to submit my program(s)?

Any non-U.S. organization or individual (i.e. a network, a local or regional television station, producer, director, or writer) may submit a program (unless your program qualifies for the Non-English Language US Primetime Program category). Organizations or individuals who do not hold copyright ownership of a program must obtain consent from the rights owner before presenting a submission. This process is independent from Membership.

My program is a co-production with the US, am I eligible into the Non-US categories?

Yes, as long as your program aired initially outside of the US, or if the broadcast dates were within a few days of each other. Please contact the awards department if you have a specific question about your program.

Can I submit my program into both the domestic and the international competition?

No. If your program is eligible in both competitions, you will have to choose which one you would like to submit your program to. Choose wisely!

When is the deadline?

February 16, 2017 at 11:59PM (EST). Extensions may be granted upon request; however a \$50 late fee per submission will be automatically added. Please contact the Awards Department, at awardsdept@iemmys.tv for extension requests.

Does the Academy pre-select the programs in the competition?

No. All eligible submissions are entered into the competition and then judged by television professionals around the world.

Do I need to submit my program through a third-party organization?

No, all programs must be submitted directly to the Academy.

SUBTITLES

My program is in English. Do I still need to subtitle it?

Yes. All dialogue, including English dialogue must be subtitled in English; the closed-caption file may be used. Subtitles must be embedded into the video and may not be submitted as a separate file.

My program is in another language than English but contains English dialogue. Do I also need to subtitle this?

Yes. All dialogue, including English dialogue, must be subtitled.

Can I submit a separate file for dialogue? Can I submit a transcript?

No. Subtitles must be embedded into the video and may not be submitted as a separate file. Transcripts will not be accepted.

CATEGORIES

I am not sure which category my program fits best in, what should I do?

All programs are reviewed for appropriate category placement. We will contact you if we believe your program should be moved to a different category.

How many programs can I submit into one category/ into the competition?

You may enter any number of programs in each category. There is no limit to the number of programs one entrant may submit. The more programs submitted, the better the chances!

Can I enter more than one performer from my program?

Yes. You can submit your entire cast, each performer being considered as an independent submission. Please make sure that each performer complies with our Rules & Regulations, and appears in at least 10% of the episode submitted.

Can I submit my program into different categories?

A program may only be submitted into one category. This category will be checked by the Academy in order to ensure it is the most appropriate one. We will contact you if we believe a change of category is in order. Of course, if your program is a Drama Series, Comedy, or TV Movie/ Mini- Series, please feel free to also submit the actors and actresses into our Performance categories.

FEE AND PAYMENT

How much is the submission fee?

The fee is \$400 per submission. Should the Academy grant you an extension (at your request) to submit your program/performer after the deadline, a \$50 late fee per submission will be automatically added to the fee.

How can I pay?

Payments are only accepted online. You can use a credit card or PayPal.

Can I pay via wire-transfer?

You can create a PayPal account directly linked to your bank account, and use PayPal to complete the transfer.

Can I receive an invoice?

You may print your check-out cart before processing payment, and use this document as the official invoice.

Can I receive a receipt?

Once a payment is processed, you will receive an email receipt confirming the payment went through. This email will be sent to the address you provided on the entry form in the "Accounting Contact Information" section.

I made a mistake with my entry. Can I receive a refund for my entry fee?

The entry fee is non-refundable. Please make sure you read the Rules & Regulations carefully.

<u>Upload</u>

Where do I upload my program?

This process is detailed in the Rules & Regulations, and you will receive instructions through email upon payment of your submission(s). The entry and upload forms are not available on the same website. You will need to create a different login and password to upload your program. Please make sure to follow the instructions emailed to you.

My upload was rejected, why?

You will receive an email with the reason for which your program was rejected. The most common errors are high bitrate (max. 2Mbps), no subtitles (even English dialogue must be subtitled), or incorrect format (video must be an mp4, using the h.264 codec).