

# Gov. Walker: Seeks Applicants for Governor's Export Achievement Awards

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**MADISON** - Governor Scott Walker invites Wisconsin companies and organizations that have achieved exporting success to apply for a 2018 Governor's Export Achievement Award. The awards are open to companies of all sizes and to organizations that have contributed to the state's ability to compete in the global economy. [You may view Governor Walker's invitation to apply here.](#) "If you're one of the thousands of companies that has had success selling your goods and services outside the U.S., I'd like to encourage you to apply for this year's award," said Governor Scott Walker. "If your business has just started exporting and is already experiencing great results, or if you've been exporting for years and want to celebrate your successes, we want to hear from you."

The preliminary nomination process is simple, requiring only the submission of a short narrative (250 words or fewer) of the company's recent exporting accomplishments. The online nomination form can be found at: [wedc.org/export/getting-started/governors-export-awards](http://wedc.org/export/getting-started/governors-export-awards). Entries should focus on the company's innovative international strategy and export growth.

The deadline for nominations is **5 p.m. on January 19.**

A panel of international trade experts will review all submissions and identify a group of semifinalists who will move on to the next stage of the competition, in which they will be asked to submit a more detailed application.

Award winners will be recognized at the annual Wisconsin International Trade Conference in Milwaukee in May. Winners will receive recognition at the event, a custom video about their company's exporting efforts, a trophy and more.

Any Wisconsin company or organization successfully engaging in, or assisting in the export of, products or services produced in Wisconsin is eligible to apply.

Company employees or those with knowledge of a deserving company can submit an award nomination for consideration.

For more details on the award or to complete a nomination form, visit [wedc.org/export/getting-started/governors-export-awards](http://wedc.org/export/getting-started/governors-export-awards) or contact Patrick Roetker at [Patrick.Roetker@wedc.org](mailto:Patrick.Roetker@wedc.org).