

My Dream EcoHome Competition Brief for Entrants

Brief

The competition is to design an environmentally friendly, energy efficient sustainable EcoHome.

Location – the building can be anywhere in the world, in any type of landscape: it could be in the middle of a town, in a forest, by a lake or on a mountain. Please be sure to state where in the world your EcoHome is located.

Be imaginative – the purpose of the competition is to encourage innovative ways in which a home can be energy efficient and environmentally friendly. Entries will be judged on innovative ideas, practicality and presentation.

Use the sheet provided and the panel on the side to describe what makes your ideas unique.

Format

The entries can be hand drawn or computer generated. Original or thought-provoking presentation is encouraged.

The drawings of the EcoHome can be from above (in plan) or can be as you look at it from the ground (elevation). Use whatever format, or combination of formats, you feel best expresses your ideas.

Things to consider

Energy Efficiency

Heating & cooling a house can use an enormous amount of energy – try to think of ways to maintain a stable temperature in the home so you don't have spend lots of time and effort heating or cooling the building.

Water management – as our water supply becomes increasing unpredictable, consider how to maximise water efficiency in the home. Recycle where you can.

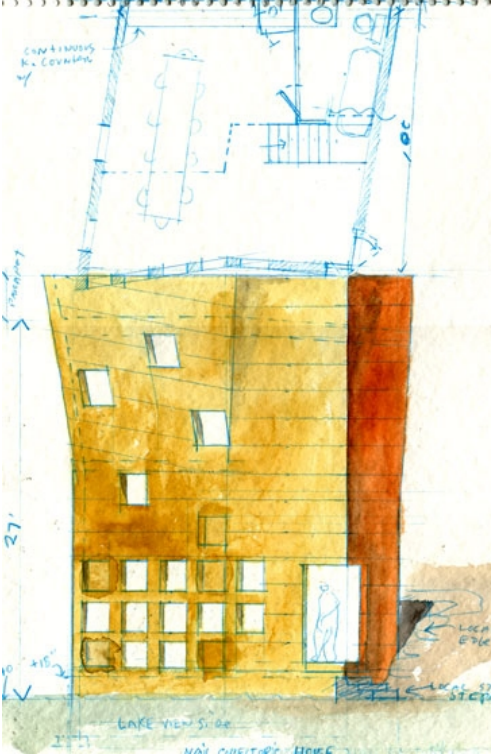
Site location

Think of the wider impact of building process and the building materials you use - how will the building affect the animal and plant life around it? Consider building into the landscape, such as the side of a hill or under a river.

Building materials

Consider re-using discarded or widely available materials, such as tyres, crates & pallets.

Technology – experiment using double glazing, solar panels and grey water systems to make your home more efficient.



Competition Rules and Conditions

1) **Entry**

All entries must be posted to; My Dream EcoHome, Renewable Energy Foundation, 21 John Adam Street London, WC2N 6JG.

Your entry must include your name, age, school and a postal address.

Entries will be judged on innovation, practicality and presentation..

Individuals may send multiple entries, however prizes are limited to one per person.

Entries cannot be returned.

2) **Closing date**

Entries must be received by 12pm Friday 1st May 2009

3) **Prizes**

1st prize: a bike plus family entrance to the Royal Bath and West Show on Saturday 30th May 2009.

Runners up win Family passes to The Bath and West Show on Saturday 30th May 2009 schools.

No cash alternative is available.

4) **Entry restrictions**

This competition is open to any individual aged between 5-11 years in the UK and Republic of Ireland only.

5) **Judging**

The judges' decision is final.

6) **Winner notifications**

a) Winners will be notified in writing no later than Friday 15th May 2009.

b) A list of winners will be available on request from Renewable Energy Foundation, 21 John Adam Street London, WC2N 6JG.

7) **Promoter**

The Promoter of this competition is Renewable Energy Foundation, 21 John Adam Street London, WC2N 6JG.

8) **Publicity**

Competition entrants may be required to participate in publicity conducted by Renewable Energy Foundation.

9) **Disclaimer**

Renewable Energy Foundation accepts no liability for incomplete, lost or damaged entries.

10) **Data Protection**

Data Protection Act 1998: Under our obligation to you, your information will only be used in the administration of this competition and will not be retained longer than necessary.