



Edinburgh Short Film Festival 2026 - Rules & Regulations

The festival is open to any form of short film, genre, budgets and techniques.

The maximum duration for submitted films is 25 minutes including credits.

The Deadline for submissions will be Friday 19 June 2026.

Final exhibition copies of the film MUST be received by Friday August 14, 2026.

Submission Fee details are on our website call for entries page:

<http://www.edinburghshortfilmfestival.com/call-for-entries/>

Films should be no older than 01/01/2024.

Discounts available for institutions, colleges/universities and distributors making bulk entries of 5 or more films, please contact edinburghshorts@gmail.com

All entrants will be advised if their film has been selected for exhibition by September 21st, 2026.
The Festival will take place in November 2026.

Submission by online screener is acceptable, (YouTube/Vimeo etc.)

Embedded English subtitles required for any film not in English.

ESFF will not provide comments on films prior to selection, nor reasons for rejection.

Clips from selected films may be used for our festival trailer and stills may also be screened or published online to assist in promoting the festival.

The submitter must have the legal authority to submit the film and to have the work screened publicly including any necessary permissions. By submitting, the submitter confirms they have all the necessary rights for the screening of the film submitted, to be exhibited at the festival, including music and image rights.

By submitting their film all entrants are deemed to have read and agreed the rules and regulations governing the festival. In the event of any disagreement, the interpretation of the festival will take precedence.

These rules and regulations are subject to change without prior notice.

The festival reserves the right to withdraw or include selected short films from the programme as necessary.

It is the responsibility of the submitter to ensure the correct contact email address is supplied to the festival.