

21st Akbank International Short Film Festival Application terms and conditions for the national and the international competitions

- 1- Applications for the categories fiction, documentary, experimental and animation will be accepted.
- 2- The competitions consist of two sections, national and international.
- 3- The national competition is open for everyone with a Turkish nationality only. (Except for Akbank employees.)
- 4- The international competition is open for everyone with a foreign or Turkish nationality. (Except for Akbank employees.)
- 5- Films must be no longer than 30 minutes.
- 6- Films which were produced after January 1st, 2024 can apply. Films that have participated in national or international contests before -except for Akbank Short Film Festival- can still apply for the contest. However The Festival program gives priority to first time screenings and premieres.
- 7- Applicants must fill out the online application form from akbanksanat.com or akbankkisafilmfestivali.com and send a scan of the fully completed and signed application form to contact@akbankshortfilmfestival.com.
- 8- Applicants can submit more than one film.
- 9- Selected films can be shown in non-commercial Akbank Sanat activities and “Akbank Short Film Festival at Universities” tour featuring the directors’ names. Both the owner of the work and the director consent to this by sending the work to the festival. Additionally, for the purpose of publicity of the festival, short teasers of selected films can be shown on various media (such as television, radio, internet).
- 10- The decisions of the festival committee are irreversible. The pre-selection jury can recommend a film to participate in the non-competing section which is called “perspective”.
- 11- Films which are approved by the pre-selection jury will be shown within the festival program.
- 12- The screenings will be both physical at Akbank Sanat venue, in the screening venues designated by Akbank Sanat. and online on filmonline.akbanksanat.com website.
- 13- The application deadline is December 27th, 2024.
- 14- The applicants must provide a password protected link or private screener link with English subtitles during submission.
- 15- "The Best Film" award in national competition will include 125.000 TL, and international competition will include 3.000 USD and will be granted to the film owners by Akbank Sanat.
- 16- Selected films must be prepared in digital video format (MOV, QuickTime, Apple ProRes or HD H264) and delivered to the festival committee by the film owner.
- 17- Participating film copies will not be returned after the festival.
- 18- National and international films must include on-screen English subtitles completed by the film owner. National films with non-Turkish dialogues must include on-screen Turkish and English subtitles completed by the film owner.
- 19- The film owner has all the copyright responsibility. Submitter undertakes that all permissions have been obtained for the presentation of the work. Akbank T.A.Ş and Akbank Sanat are not responsible for third parties in this regard.
- 20- The final results will be decided at the jury meeting during the festival, and will be announced at the awards ceremony.
- 21- The application terms consist of twenty one (21) items including this one.