



### The Challenge

The aim is to make a film, less than two and a half minutes long describing or demonstrating some science correctly, in an engaging way using media for which you have copyright permission. We will decide nomination categories such as 'Best Physics Film'. Prizes are awarded for categories, for best school entry (£500) and best film made by an independent (of school) team including a student (£300). With your permission, we'll post films on our [Film Challenge YouTube Channel](#).

### Important Dates

- **30 April 2017:** Deadline for all entries.
- **20 May 2017 (World Metrology Day):** Nominations and winners posted on NPL website.

[www.npl.co.uk/ssf](http://www.npl.co.uk/ssf)

### What to do (Red indicates change from last year.)

- Read the Rules below (especially the bit about copyright).
- See what people have previously done for [our competition](#), [SciCast](#) and [Richmond Borough](#).
- Get brilliant advice from Planet SciCast's '[Film School](#)'.
- Register online here: <http://tinyurl.com/NPLfilm2017-1>
- Post your film/s on YouTube (privately if you wish).
- Log film details with YouTube link here: <http://tinyurl.com/NPLfilm2017-2>
- If you give us permission, your film will be reposted on our YouTube Channel.
- Wait to see if you have been nominated or even a winner.

### Rules (marks are deducted for breaking rules!)

- **Copyright:** All material (vision and sound) must have been made by you or reproduced with the originator's permission. The submission form will require you to state sources of all materials used in your film. Some (but not all) music is copyright 'free' at [www.ccmixer.org](http://www.ccmixer.org) or [www.jamendo.com](http://www.jamendo.com), YouTube provides downloadable music for those with a YouTube Channel, or just make the music yourself. You cannot use music from a recording or film - or even sing/hum it unless you have written permission from the publisher of the music. Many films are disqualified in similar competitions because of copyright issues.
- **Films** must last no more than two and a half minutes (including credits) and describe or demonstrate an aspect of science correctly, in an engaging way.
- **School teams** may submit several entries. The prize should be spent by the school's science department.
- **Independent teams** can also submit several entries and must include at least one school age member.
- **Danger:** no people or animals may depicted as being harmed in the making of your movie. Films of dangerous activities will not be eligible for sharing/winning.

### What does NPL know about science films?

- With experts in science and science communication, we create content for our own [YouTube channel](#).
- NPL staff have won several film making awards including [SciCast](#) and advise on TV programmes like the BBC's Horizon and Bang Goes the Theory.

### Any questions?

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