

COUNTDOWN CONTESTANT APPLICATION FORM

PLEASE READ THIS APPLICATION FORM, INCLUDING THE PRIVACY NOTICES AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS REFERRED TO, VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING AND SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION.

You are applying to be considered as a contestant in the programme entitled, "Countdown" (the "**Programme**"), which, ITV Studios Limited, a company registered in England and Wales (registered number: 0310625) whose registered office is at 2 Waterhouse Square, 140 Holborn, London, EC1N 2AE ("**we**", "**us**", "**our**"), intends, but does not undertake, to produce for initial transmission by Channel 4 (the "**Broadcaster**"). The Programme is a game show in which individuals compete to solve linguistic and mathematical puzzles.

Please ensure you meet the Eligibility Requirements (as set out below) and read the attached Programme Participant Terms and Conditions (the "**Terms and Conditions**") before you start completing the application form (this "**Application Form**"). Provided you meet the Eligibility Requirements you must fill out the ENTIRE application form legibly. If any question is not applicable to you, please write "N/A" in the space provided.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. You must be aged at least 16 (sixteen) years of age due to the scheduling requirements of the Programme and the studio environment in which the Programme is recorded.
2. You must be legally resident in the United Kingdom or Republic of Ireland and have a current address within the United Kingdom or Republic of Ireland.
3. You are not:
 - a. currently employed by us or the Broadcaster and have not been previously employed by us, any of the ITV group of companies, or the Broadcaster; or
 - b. a live-in partner or immediate relative (for example, mother, father, son, daughter, brother or sister) of an employee of ours, or the Broadcaster, or any of the ITV group of companies.
4. Unless otherwise permitted by us at our sole discretion, you must not have appeared in the televised stages of the Programme on any previous occasion.
5. We have the right at our sole discretion to add to, delete from, modify or amend these Eligibility Requirements and to select contestants for the Programme. In all circumstances concerning the interpretation and application of these Eligibility Requirements, our decision will be final.

(The foregoing shall be collectively referred to as the "**Eligibility Requirements**")

YOUR PRIVACY

Your personal information is very important to us.

Your personal information will be collected and processed in accordance with our Privacy Notice at <https://itvstudios.com/privacy-notice/talent-contributors-audience>. A written copy of this notice can be provided to you on request.

This Programme will also involve the collection and processing of special categories of personal data and criminal record data in accordance with the Countdown Supplemental Privacy Notice for Special Category Data and Criminal Record Data, which is attached to this Application Form as a separate document.

Please ensure you have read and fully understood the Countdown Supplemental Privacy Notice for Special Category Data and Criminal Record Data and confirm below whether or not you consent to us processing your special category and criminal record data in accordance its terms:

PLEASE TICK ONE:

I consent to the processing of my special category and criminal record data in accordance with the Countdown Supplemental Privacy Notice for Special Category Data and Criminal Record Data.

I do not consent to the processing of my special category and criminal record data in accordance with the Countdown Supplemental Privacy Notice for Special Category Data and Criminal Record Data. *

*** PLEASE NOTE:** Where we are processing your special category and criminal record data with your consent, you can withdraw your consent at any time. However, if you do not wish to give us your consent, or later withdraw your consent, then, **depending on the information concerned, we may not be able to proceed or continue with your application or participation in the Programme.**

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YOUR INFORMATION

Please attach a single recent photograph of yourself here and print your name on the back. Please note that we are unable to return photographs. A photograph helps the production team to remember individual applicants.

Full name	
Preferred name for use on the Programme	
Date of birth	<i>We endeavour to have as diverse a range of contestants appearing on the Programme as possible, including contestants of varying ages.</i>
Address	
Home telephone number	
Mobile telephone number	
Work telephone number	
E-mail	
Can you accept calls at work?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
What is your present occupation, if any? (Please provide details)	
What jobs have you previously had, if any?	
Do you have any children (if so, please give their names and ages)? (<i>This question is optional</i>)	
What qualifications do you have? (Include, O Levels, GCSEs, CSEs, A-Levels, Degrees, Masters, PHDs as well as any other academic and non-academic qualifications)	

Please give details of any hobbies/associations/clubs	
Please give details of any special interests or other information which you feel is entertaining or unusual.	
Where did you see the advert for Countdown contestants?	
Have you applied for or appeared on any other television shows?	<p>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If you have answered "yes", please list all your television appearances (completed and pending) and provide details (e.g. the name of show, broadcast date, channel and any prizes won) below.</p>
Do you have any medical conditions, including any disabilities, which we should be made aware of?	<p>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If you have answered "yes", please specify details below and any special requirements you may have for any studio appearance:</p> <p><i>We wish to encourage diversity on our shows and will actively endeavour to accommodate any person with a disability. Please detail any condition you might have that may require our assistance.</i></p>
Do you have any County Court Judgments against you?	<p>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If you have answered "yes", please specify details below.</p>
Have the police ever given you a formal caution?	<p>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If you have answered "yes", please specify details below.</p>
Other than driving offences which have not resulted in a ban, have you ever been convicted of a crime or are you the subject of on-going criminal proceedings or investigations?	<p>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If you have answered "yes", please specify below full details of any conviction(s) or on-going criminal proceedings/investigations (i.e. the offences, the date of conviction, the court concerned and the sentence imposed and any other relevant information).</p> <p><i>You must notify us immediately if (i) you are convicted of a criminal offence; (ii) criminal charges are brought against you; and/or (iii) you are subject to a criminal investigation after you have submitted this Application Form but before first transmission of the episode of the Programme you appear in (if any).</i></p> <p><i>Disclosure of criminal convictions, current or pending criminal proceedings and/or county court judgments at any stage of the application process will not automatically exclude you from participating but we shall be entitled to exercise our sole discretion in this regard and certain convictions (spent or otherwise), pending criminal proceedings and/or investigations may invalidate your application or otherwise result in the termination of your application and/or your continued participation in the Programme. In all cases our decision shall be final.</i></p> <p><i>If we later discover that you have criminal convictions you have not informed us about previously, you agree that we may terminate your participation in the Programme and/or reclaim or withhold any prize or benefit, and you accept that reference may be made to these convictions publicly.</i></p>

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

By submitting this Application Form, you hereby agree to be bound by the Terms and Conditions.

WHAT TO DO NEXT

Please make sure that you have completed ALL SECTIONS of this Application Form and send it back to us with a recent photograph of yourself attached by email to: **countdown@channel4.com** or by post to: **Contestant Applications, Countdown, ITV Studios Limited, Kirkstall Road, Leeds, LS3 1JS** (Please be aware that if you do send photographs by post, we will be unable to return them.)

By returning this completed Application Form you confirm that:

- (i) you comply with each of the Eligibility Requirements;
- (ii) you have answered all the questions in this Application Form honestly and truthfully; and
- (iii) you have read, understood and agree to the Terms and Conditions.

Signature*: (*If emailing this form type in your name)	
Print Name:	
Date:	

PROGRAMME PARTICIPANT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

By completing and signing your Application Form for the Programme, you hereby agree to the following:

1. GENERAL

- 1.1. These Terms and Conditions relate to your application to take part in the Programme and form part of your Application Form.
- 1.2. You are solely responsible for any and all costs or expenses incurred by you in applying to participate or your participation in the Programme, (including but not limited to: calls made, postage, ISP charges, telephony fees, travelling expenses, transportation, accommodation, meals, drinks, insurance, taxes and other costs). Under no circumstances will the Broadcaster or we cover these or any additional costs.
- 1.3. We and our subcontractors do not accept any responsibility whatsoever for any technical failure, malfunction of or any other problem with any computer network, system, server, provider, telephony system or otherwise or for any postal service failures which may result in any application not being properly received.
- 1.4. You agree that if your Application Form is incomplete or incomprehensible or incorrectly submitted and if applicable incorrectly addressed, lost in transit, containing insufficient postage, not received by us at the relevant postal or email address or sent in after any specified closing date that it may not be considered.
- 1.5. You accept that, due to the large number of applications we receive, we will not acknowledge or respond to each and every application but only to those of applicants who we wish to put forward to the next stage of the selection process. We will review your Application Form and shall decide which applications are suitable to be put forward to the next stage of the selection process. You accept and agree that contestants will be selected at our sole discretion, that such decisions shall be final and that there will be no right of appeal against any decisions taken by us on this matter.
- 1.6. You accept that receiving an Application Form and/or a phone call and/or other correspondence from a member of the Programme production team and/or attending any recording days DOES NOT automatically mean that you will be appearing on the Programme and we reserve the right, at our sole discretion, to stand you down at any time during the production process, even if you have been given a date to attend recordings.
- 1.7. We do not represent that we will produce or broadcast any episode of the Programme or to include any applicant's participation in the Programme.

2. YOUR OBLIGATIONS

- 2.1. You agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Programme as shall be notified to you in writing or verbally. You accept that we may vary such rules and regulations from time to time and that our decisions in this matter are final.
- 2.2. You agree to attend any auditioning processes, heats and promotional activities relating to the Programme if required by us on any dates as shall be notified to you.
- 2.3. If you are under 18 (eighteen) years of age and you are invited to attend recordings of the Programme, you must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian at the recordings. Proof of age will be required at the recordings.
- 2.4. If so required by us, you agree to undertake a medical and/or psychological assessment, conducted by a certified practitioner,
- 2.5. You warrant that you comply with each of the Eligibility Requirements and, if required by us, you agree to provide us with documentary evidence as well as providing all consents and assistance in carrying out any background searches if so required by us to substantiate the information provided in your Application Form.
- 2.6. You agree, that if you are formally selected to appear on the Programme, to sign a further participant agreement at our request and you shall promptly execute and deliver such participant agreement and perform such acts and complete any other documentation as may be required for the purpose of giving full effect to the participant agreement.
- 2.7. You warrant that nothing in your Application Form will:
 - 2.7.1. infringe the copyright or any other right of any third party;
 - 2.7.2. breach any contract or duty of confidence;
 - 2.7.3. constitute a contempt of court or expose us to any civil or criminal proceedings; and/or

- 2.7.4. otherwise be intended to bring us or any other party into disrepute.
- 2.8. You agree that nothing in your Application Form or Contribution (as defined below) will infringe any laws relating to data protection, data privacy and/or information security (including the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679) (the “**GDPR**”) and the Privacy and Electronic Communications (EC Directive) Regulations 2003 as amended from time to time). If you have access to other people’s Personal Data (as defined in the GDPR) pursuant to your engagement, you must ensure that (i) you only use such Personal Data for the purposes for which it is provided and not for purposes unrelated to the engagement; (ii) you destroy or return such Personal Data at the end of the engagement, at our discretion (iii) you take adequate precautions to protect such Personal Data in your hands from loss or damage, or unauthorised access or disclosure (iv) you familiarise yourself with, and comply with, our Code of Conduct (http://itvresponsibility.com/files/docs/itv_code_of_conduct.pdf) to the extent that it applies to you and ITV Studios’ Privacy Notice;
- 2.9. You agree that you will comply with all relevant laws in connection with the Contribution and you shall not engage in any activity, practice or conduct which would constitute tax evasion (meaning any conduct that constitutes any criminal offence of tax evasion or facilitation of tax evasion in any jurisdiction, including the tax evasion facilitation offences under section 45(1) and 46(1) of the Criminal Finances Act 2017) or an offence under the Bribery Act 2010;
- 2.10. You agree that we may in our sole discretion disqualify you from any stage of the Programme selection process or the Programme itself and/or withhold or reclaim any prize or other benefit awarded or due to be awarded to you as a result of your participation in the Programme if:
- 2.10.1. you supply or have supplied any untruthful, incomplete, inaccurate or misleading details and/or information or you have deceived us or the Broadcaster in any way including without limitation about your identity;
- 2.10.2. you fail to abide by these Terms and Conditions or the rules and regulations of the Programme;
- 2.10.3. you fail to abide with any of our other reasonable instructions or directions;
- 2.10.4. by reason of your conduct (including past conduct) you bring us or the Broadcaster into disrepute; and/or
- 2.10.5. you fail to meet the Eligibility Requirements.
- 2.11. You agree to notify us of any changes to the circumstances and/or information and/or data provided in your Application Form, including any criminal charges, investigations and/or convictions which are brought against you, during your continued participation in the Programme selection process and the Programme itself.
- 2.12. You agree to indemnify us and our assigns and licensees against any and all claims, losses and/or damages suffered directly or indirectly by us as a result of the breach, non-performance or non-observance by you of any of your obligations and representations under your Application Form including but not limited to any extra costs of production of the Programme.

3. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- 3.1. In the event that you are invited to attend an audition and any other subsequent stages of the Programme selection process, you agree and consent to the filming and recording of you and your voice, conversation and sounds, including any performance of any musical composition(s), during and in connection with your application for the Programme (the “**Contribution**”) and the use of your Contribution in connection with the Programme in whole or in part or not at all.
- 3.2. You irrevocably grant and assign to us by way of present assignment of present and future copyright, all rights of any nature in and to the rights, title and interest in your Contribution so as to permit the fullest use throughout the world of the Contribution or any part(s) thereof by all means and in all media in connection with the Programme or otherwise in perpetuity. For purposes of clarity, you accept that we have the right to edit, copy, adapt or translate the Contribution as we see fit.
- 3.3. You further agree that any photographic material(s), video material(s) and/or any other materials you have submitted as part of your application to appear as a contestant in the Programme and/or as part of your Contribution (collectively referred to as the “**Submission**”) may be featured in the Programme and you warrant that you have the necessary licences, rights, consents and permissions to authorise us to use your Submission in full or in part.
- 3.4. You grant us a worldwide, perpetual, royalty free and transferable licence (with the right to sub-licence) to use, edit, record, modify, translate, distribute, make available to others, prepare derivative works of and exploit your Submission by any medium or method whether now known or later developed throughout the world for the full term of copyright and other rights and all renewable and

extension thereof. You agree to provide us with details of all such licences, rights, consents and permissions relating to the Submission if we so request.

- 3.5. For the avoidance of doubt, you agree that we have no obligation whatsoever to return any materials (including without limitation, the Submission) which you have submitted as part of your Application Form whether or not you are selected as a participant and that we are in no way obligated to use any such materials in connection with the Programme.
- 3.6. You grant us the right to use your name, voice, likeness, photographs and any biographical material and any Contribution or Submission concerning you in connection with the promotion and exploitation of the Programme and/or ancillary products/services and/or in connection with us and/or the broadcaster of the Programme, throughout the world in all media in perpetuity.
- 3.7. You irrevocably waive the benefits of and agree not to assert any provision of law known as "moral rights" or any similar laws of any jurisdiction in respect of any Contribution and/or Submission.

4. CONFIDENTIALITY

You shall keep confidential and shall not disclose to any third party any confidential information, photographs or other material relating to us or the Programme or anyone taking part in it, which comes to your knowledge as result of your participation in the Programme (if any). The foregoing will not include matters already in the public domain (other than by way of your breach of this Clause).

5. DIVERSITY

Broadcasters and Creative Diversity Network (CDN) are monitoring diversity on UK television through Diamond. We have a legitimate interest to collect diversity information about our industry, and if you provide us with your name and email address we will enter this in a system called Silvermouse and you will be invited to provide your diversity characteristics. The broadcasters and CDN, as data controllers, are responsible for this data and will retain your name and email address for this purpose in Silvermouse for as long as diversity is monitored by them. We also collect information about how viewers might perceive diversity on screen. Further information about Diamond can be found here: <http://creativediversitynetwork.com/diamond/contributors/>.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

- 6.1. We may amend, change or revise the Terms and Conditions at any time in our absolute discretion.
- 6.2. In the event of any conflict which arises and/or inconsistency between any of the terms in these Terms and Conditions and the ITV General Participation Terms and the Programme Participant Terms detailed at <http://www.itv.com/terms/participation-charity/itv-general-participation-terms>, these Terms and Conditions shall prevail.
- 6.3. Should there be a dispute regarding your participation in the Programme our decision on this dispute shall be final.
- 6.4. You agree that we may freely assign or license your Application Form (including these Terms and Conditions).
- 6.5. This Application Form and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of England and Wales and each party irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales to settle any dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with the Application Form or its subject matter.

COUNTDOWN SUPPLEMENTAL PRIVACY NOTICE FOR SPECIAL CATEGORY DATA AND CRIMINAL RECORD DATA

Introduction

This Supplemental Privacy Notice supplements the **ITV STUDIOS LIMITED PRIVACY NOTICE FOR PROGRAMME APPLICANTS, PARTICIPANTS AND CONTRIBUTORS** (which can be found at <https://itvstudios.com/privacy-notice/talent-contributors-audience>). It is not intended to override that notice; both notices should be read together. This Supplemental Privacy Notice details the terms upon which we will collect and use special category data and criminal record data relating to you (collectively, "**SCCR Data**").

When you apply to take part in Countdown (the "**Programme**"), and/or are confirmed as a participant or contributor to the Programme, we may ask you to provide SCCR Data. Generally, we will collect SCCR Data directly from you and not from third party sources. We will specifically inform you at the time if we propose to collect SCCR Data from third party sources.

Additionally, if you participate in the Programme, SCCR Data may be disclosed in the course of the filming and recording of the Programme.

Who are we?

Any reference to "we", "us" and "our" is to ITV Studios Limited (company no. 03106525) and its subsidiary companies. Unless otherwise stated below, we are known as the "**data controller**" of your personal data, including your SCCR Data, and you can contact us at privacy@itv.com or write to the ITV Privacy Team at 2 Waterhouse Square, 140 Holborn, London, EC1N 2AE for more information about how we process your data.

What do we mean by special category data?

Special category data is personal information which is more sensitive than other personal data and can include information about a person's: health; race; ethnic origin; political opinions; sex life; sexual orientation; or religious beliefs.

What special category data do we process and why?

We have set out below specific information about the special categories of data we may process in relation to the Programme and why.

There may be circumstances where we have to use your special category data (or make such data available to third parties) without your consent, for example:

- (1) where you clearly make your special category data public, for example, by disclosing such special category data on camera during a live broadcast or during the recording of the Programme;
- (2) in the event of a medical emergency, where you are physically or legally incapable of giving consent, in order to protect your 'vital interests' (that is, your health or your life); and/or
- (3) in relation to a legal claim and/or court order;

otherwise, we will only use such special category data for the below purposes (or such other purposes as have been confirmed to you in writing) **provided you have given us your explicit consent to do so.**

- **We may use data relating to your physical and mental health to assess your suitability to participate in the Programme.**

This special category data will be used by the relevant production team for the purposes of making the programme and to assess whether reasonable adjustments are required for your participation in the programme. It may also be shared internally with the Business Affairs, Health and Safety, Compliance and Insurance teams and externally with professional advisers if their advice is required. It may also be shared with our insurers and the insurers of the commissioning broadcaster, our transport, accommodation and filming venue providers, medical professionals working with us, such as our on-site medical team and our independent doctors.

In the case of our independent doctors, they are the "data controller" of your personal data (either alone or jointly with us) and will be required to maintain their own records. Where that is the case, we may refer you to those health professionals to exercise your rights over your data.

If the special category data is included in the editorial content of the Programme, it will be shared with anyone who views the Programme and/or clips of the Programme throughout the world.

- **We may use data relating to your race and/or ethnicity as part of our commitment to on-screen diversity.**

This special category data will be used by the relevant production team for the purposes of monitoring and increasing diversity on the Programme.

Information about criminal records

Additionally, where authorised by UK/European laws, we may also ask you to self-disclose personal information relating to: criminal convictions; current or pending criminal proceedings; county court judgments; and/or formal cautions. We may also carry out our own background checks which may include a basic check of any unspent convictions on your criminal record with the Disclosure and Barring Service (the “DBS”) via M G Care Executive Limited (who trade as “uCheck”) (and/or such other organisations as we will always specifically explain to you) on your behalf. uCheck are registered with the DBS to provide basic check services.

Your criminal record data will be used by the relevant production team to assess your suitability to participate in the Programme and/or to deal with any questions or complaints arising in relation to the Programme. It may be shared internally with the Business Affairs, Compliance, Health and Safety, Aftercare and Insurance teams and externally with professional advisers if their advice is required. It may also be shared with the commissioning broadcaster, our insurers and the insurers of the commissioning broadcaster.

Like special category data, there may be circumstances where we use your criminal record data (or make such criminal record data available to third parties) without your consent, for example:

(1) where you agree to make your criminal record data public, for example, by disclosing such data on camera during a live broadcast or during the recording of the Programme; and/or

(2) in relation to a legal claim and/or court order.

If the criminal record data is included in the editorial content of the Programme it will be shared with anyone who views the Programme and/or clips of the Programme throughout the world.

How long do we keep this SCCR Data?

Category

If you are filmed and recorded for the Programme regardless of whether you appear in the finished Programme.

If you provide us with SCCR Data but you are not filmed or recorded for the Programme and therefore do not appear in the finished Programme.

Retention Period

The period during which we have the right to exploit the programme.

Name and contact details - Up to 3 years from when you provided such data.

All other data - Up to 3 months from the point at which we decide that you will not participate in the Programme, or we receive notice from you that you will no longer participate in the Programme.

Sending data internationally

We may transfer your data, including your SCCR Data, to other members of our group and to third party service providers outside of the European Economic Area, which do not have similarly strict data protection and privacy laws.

Where this happens, we will put in place data transfer agreements and safeguards using European Commission approved terms. Please contact us at privacy@itv.com if you would like to know more about these agreements or receive a copy of them.

We will also ensure that adequate security and safeguards are in place to appropriately protect your data.

Additionally, if your data is included in the editorial content of the Programme, it will be shared with anyone who views the Programme and/or clips of the Programme throughout the world.

What are my data subject rights and how can I use them?

For more information on your rights and how to use them, contact privacy@itv.com.

Where we are processing your special category data with your consent, you can withdraw your consent at any time. Please contact Viewers Services by email (viewerservices@itv.com), phone (0344 88 14150) or write to Viewer Services, Gas Street, Birmingham, B1 2JT.

However, if you do not wish to give us your consent, or later withdraw your consent to any or all of the above purposes (and/or such other purposes as we will always specifically explain to you) then, depending on the information concerned, we may not be able to proceed or continue with your application or participation in the Programme.