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New “e SKY” Mini Passenger EV Wins 2027 RJC Car of the Year

2027 RJC Automotive Researchers' & Journalists' Conference of Japan
CAR OF THE YEAR



New Mini Passenger EV “e SKY”

Suzuki's first mini passenger EV e SKY has won the 2027 RJC Car of the Year, promoted by the NPO Automotive Researchers' and Journalists' Conference of Japan (RJC). Following the Swift's win in 2024, this marks Suzuki's ninth RJC Car of the Year award overall.

The new e SKY was developed under the product concept of "Easy to Switch" as a mini-EV being by customer’s side in their daily lives.
With the design that combines familiarity with advanced appeal, the e SKY is a mini-EV that incorporates eAxle, the dedicated EV platform “HEARTECT-e”, and a regenerative braking system, all developed in accordance with Suzuki’s philosophy of conduct, “Sho-Sho-Kei-Tan-Bi” (Smaller, Fewer, Lighter, Shorter, Beauty). By leveraging these technologies and through thorough weight reduction and efficiency improvements, the e SKY achieves a driving range of 310 km per charge and a class-leading AC energy consumption rate of 97 Wh/km*.

* Based on WLTC mode AC energy consumption value (certified by Japan's Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism).

RJC cited the reasons for awarding the title as follows: Suzuki’s first mini passenger battery EV, the “e SKY”. It features the newly developed “HEARTECT-e” platform and a compact integrated “eAxle”, achieving a class-leading AC energy consumption rate. Its friendly exterior design, represented by the shoulder line incorporating heritage elements from the “Suzulight”, Suzuki’s first mini vehicle, was also praised. Its easy-to-use controls were highly evaluated for making the transition from ICE vehicle feel seamless.

●Comment by Toshihiro Suzuki, Representative Director and President of Suzuki Motor Corporation

We are delighted that the new e SKY has been selected for the 2027 RJC Car of the Year. The e SKY combines the ease of use that customers have come to expect from mini vehicles, with the power and comfort unique to a BEV, making it a vehicle that supports everyday life. Taking this award as an opportunity, we will strive to make the e SKY a vehicle that is loved by even more customers.

●About the 2027 RJC Car of the Year

The RJC Car of the Year awards are being held for the 36th time this year. Eligible vehicles were domestically produced passenger cars announced and launched between November 1, 2025 and October 31, 2026. The 2027 RJC Car of the Year was selected through voting conducted on November 11.

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