



SAFETY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Driver of the Year Nomination

The efforts of thousands of professional truck drivers across Tennessee who perform their duties safely, bravely, and selflessly every day deserve to be recognized. Honor an outstanding driver in your company by nominating him or her for the 2023 Tennessee Driver of the Year Award.

Any driver affiliated with a TTA Member Company may be nominated for this prestigious award. The driver should have an exemplary driving record and represent the best aspects of the driving profession. The winner of the award will be presented with a \$500 check, a gold watch, and a plaque at the TDC Banquet on Saturday night, April 29, 2023. He or she will then go on to compete against other states' drivers for the national ATA Driver of the Year Award.

PLEASE FAX TO: TENNESSEE TRUCKING ASSOCIATION AT (615) 777-2024
OR MAIL TO: 4531 TROUSDALE DRIVE, NASHVILLE, TN 37204
or email to dengland@tntrucking.org or cfoster@tntrucking.org

Deadline April 7, 2023



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DRIVER NOMINATION CRITERIA

Required

1. Nominations may be made by Tennessee Trucking Association affiliated companies only. The nominee must be employed as a professional truck driver at the time of nomination.
2. All forms contained herein must be completed and signed as required.
3. A photograph of the driver and his company executive must accompany the nomination. **IMPORTANT:** the photograph should be a glossy head and shoulders shot.
4. To assure accuracy, the nominating committee must verify information furnished in support of this nomination.

General

Selection of the state truck driver of the year may be based on any of the following:

- a). Outstanding deed of heroism
- b). Outstanding acts of courtesy on the highway
- c). Outstanding contribution to highway safety
- d). Long record of courteous safe driving

Note: Item "d" should always be required in combination with any of the other listed.



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COMPANY CHECKLIST

The following documentary materials must be provided to qualify state truck drivers for the Driver of the Year Program.

- Company certification and agreement
- Driver information sheet with driver certification and agreement
- Listing of accidents
- Description of event or record on which nomination is based
- Materials supporting nomination
- List of other outstanding deeds by nominee
- Records of military service
- Glossy head and shoulders photo of driver and company executive

In addition to these items, the information given in support of this nomination should be verified for accuracy.



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COMPANY CERTIFICATION AND AGREEMENT

In consideration of our driver being allowed to participate in this program, this company does certify and agree to the following:

1. All of the statements contained in the material submitted in support of this driver's nomination are true to the best of the company's knowledge. These statements have been investigated by the company to the best of its ability, and a company representative has personally reviewed with the driver the facts contained herein.
2. It is understood and agreed to by the company that our driver may travel to the Tennessee Trucking Association State Truck Driving Championship site or such other place or places, and at such time or times, as arranged by the Tennessee Trucking Association Safety Management Council.
3. It is agreed that should our driver receive the title "Tennessee Driver of the Year" the company will work to protect and maintain the high status of his recognition and will not use this recognition in any advertising promotion or exhibition except those sanctioned in writing by the Tennessee Trucking Association Safety Management Council.

The driver interview and investigation of the facts submitted in support have been made by

(Name)

(Title)

(Company)

(Signed by Company Executive Officer)

Driver Name: _____

Nominated by: _____
(Name of Company)



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DRIVER INFORMATION SHEET

Information must be furnished for each item on both sides of this form. If information requested does not pertain, draw a line to indicate that the item has not been overlooked. This form must be signed by the driver and by a company official.

Driver's Name: _____ **Age:** _____

Nominating Company: _____

Commercial Driving Experience: Total Years _____ Total Miles: _____

Accident Record: Total Preventable _____ Total Non-Preventable _____

Type of equipment regularly operated: _____

Usual Run: Road – from _____ to _____

Local _____ Turn around _____ Peddle _____

Annual Mileage _____

Awards received as professional driver (other than no-accident awards):

Truck Driving Championships (list Championships competed in, class and standing)

Courses/schools on first aid, driver education, safety (show type of course, date and sponsors)

Police record (list all convictions other than minor traffic violations, but include speeding reckless driving, etc. – place, date, sentence):

I certify that the information furnished on this “Driver Information Sheet” is correct and true.

Signed: _____

(Driver’s Signature)

The information furnished on this form has been reviewed by me and compared with company records on this driver. I certify the information herein as correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signed: _____

(Company Official)



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REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Military:

Submit Photostats of letters, citations or discharge papers to support military service claims.

Photograph:

A photograph of the driver and his company executive must accompany the nomination. Important: The photograph should be a glossy head and shoulders shot. See the “typical interior photo” guide described herein.

Driver Record:

Investigation should be made to verify the accuracy of information furnished by the driver. A check of the traffic record and criminal record should be included. If copies of official traffic and criminal record reports are available, they should be included with nomination.

