



REGISTRATION

Welcome!

The Nebraska Trucking Association's Safety Management Council welcomes you to the 2020 Nebraska Truck Driving Championship on July 31-Aug. 1 in Grand Island. This annual event showcases the state's finest drivers and the world-class companies these drivers represent. To register drivers, your company must be a member of the Nebraska Trucking Association. You may enter a maximum of five drivers in each class of competition. Drivers must compete in the class indicated on their official entry.

All paperwork and fees must be received by the Nebraska Trucking Association at 1701 K St, Lincoln, NE 68508 NO LATER THAN **June 15, 2020** or driver(s) will not be eligible to compete.

To be eligible, employee drivers and permanent-lease owner-operators:

- must have an accident-free record for the 12 months preceding July 30, 2020
- must have been employed by your company during the same time
- must have driven for your company at least 11 of the past 12 months
- must be a permanent resident of Nebraska or must report to a terminal domiciled in Nebraska
- must have appropriate class of CDL, and any required endorsements, for the class in which they compete

Return this "2020 NTDC Form" AND:

- the other attached form called "2020_NTDC_Driver" – one per driver
- copy of a current MVR (**dated after March 1, 2020**) – one per driver
- copy of CDL – one per driver
- a \$35 fee (this fee DOES NOT include meal tickets) – one per driver

Once NTA receives all necessary forms and fees, you will receive two championships shoulder patches and a 2020 Facts for Drivers book for each driver. Questions for the written exam will be taken from this book.

Headquarters hotel Ramada Wyndham Midtown in Grand Island can accommodate most participants and volunteers. However, there's still a good chance the hotel will sell out long before the event. Make your reservations as soon as possible. The Ramada Midtown's number is 308-384-1330.

At the championships, the drivers will participate in:

- a written test to demonstrate their knowledge of regulations and safety
- a personal interview to show their ability to represent your company
- a pre-trip inspection to display their equipment safety awareness
- a driving course to demonstrate their driving skills on key challenges faced daily
- Champions in each class may advance to American Trucking Associations' Championships, Aug. 19-21 at Indiana Convention Center & Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis!



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Incentives

First, second and third place winners in each class receive trophies. Additional awards are given to the drivers who achieve the highest scores on the written test, pre-trip and driving skills portions of the competition. We also recognize a Grand Champion, a Rookie of the Year, Professional Excellence award recipient, Jerry Wessel All-Around Driver, Kurt Everett Vehicle Condition award recipient, R.J. "Bucky" Buchholz Top Driver award recipient, and a team title earned by the company with the highest average score. A company must have at least three drivers to be considered for the team award.

Practice rules

A driver may not practice on company time or be paid for practice time. Violation will disqualify the driver from the championships. You may, at your option, elect to pay the driver for an actual working day spent in competition and/or reimburse expenses for the driver and his or her spouse at the championships. You are urged to adhere to the practice of not paying drivers for normal off-duty hours. If the Saturday of the championships is a driver's regular day off, he or she should not be paid for Saturday. A driver may not compete in any vehicle that he or she has practiced with or driven prior to competition. Violation will disqualify the driver from the championships.

Championship Classes

- Straight truck driver needs Class A, B or C License
- Three-, four-, five-axle, five-axle sleeper berth and five-axle flatbed driver needs Class A License
- Five-axle tank driver needs Class A License with N or X endorsements
- Twin trailers driver needs Class A License with T endorsement
- Step van driver can be a CDL or non-CDL driver
- Concrete Mixer driver needs Class B License

Why is the form smaller this year?

We simplified the forms so people can quickly tab through and fill in blanks. Less is better, right??

- Why do we need a List of Drivers Form? Because it helps companies and NTDC organize finances and drivers and points to one company contact for information.
- Why do we need a Meal Ticket Form? In order to ensure everyone has enough food and to ensure NTDC doesn't overspend. With the form, we can also itemize meal costs and allow for special diets.
- Why do we need Announcer Information History found on "2019 NTDC Driver" form? In order to engage the crowds and provide some talking points during the driving skills test, we ask for personal/background information. It's similar to ways announcers prepare for golf or football games.
- Why do we ask for a Sponsor Form and Volunteer Forms? Company representatives who register drivers are often the same people who organize sponsor and volunteers for the event. Without this type of help, NTDC wouldn't be such a valuable and popular event.
- Why do we need ATA Championship forms? Additional driver information, disclaimers and the driver's signature are found here.

[On to the forms! Tab and type for easier completion...](#)

