



REGISTRATION

Welcome!

The Nebraska Trucking Association's Safety Management Council welcomes you to the 2023 Nebraska Truck Driving Championship on June 1-3 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 **May 1, 2023**, or driver(s) will not be eligible to compete.

NOTE: ATA revised some rules for the 2023 season. Please check the last pages of this document for updates.

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

- must have an accident-free record for the 12 months preceding June 1, 2023
- 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 "2023 NTDC Registration Form" AND:

- the other attached form called "2023_NTDC_Driver" – one per driver
- copy of a current MVR (**dated after March 1, 2023**) – 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 championship shoulder patches and a 2023 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. 16-19 in Columbus, OH!



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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 A or B License

Our simple forms can be quickly tabbed through as you fill in the blanks.

- 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 "2023 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.

Tip: For quicker movement to each field, use "Tab" and type for easier completion...



LIST OF DRIVERS

We need one copy of this completed form from each participating company.

Company	
Company Representative	
Phone	
Email	
Address	
# of drivers registering	

Drivers Name	Class	Rookie qualifier?	Jerry Wessel qualifier?	Fee per driver \$35
			TOTAL	

Rookie: Driver competing for the first time in ANY truck driving championships.

Jerry Wessel Award: Driver has competed or volunteered at the Nebraska Truck Driving Championships for at least five years.



MEAL TICKETS

Admission to the event is free, but for attendees wishing to eat at scheduled meals, meal tickets should be purchased ahead of time using this form. Tickets will **NOT** be mailed but available for pick up at the registration desk when you pick up your name badge. You will need to order meals for your drivers as they are not included in registration. Please complete this form and return it with your payment by **May 1, 2023**.

Company Representative	
Company	

Enter ALL driver and attendee names as you want them printed on name badges, then check the meal column for each attendee. Every attendee must show a wristband (provided at the registration table) for all meals.

Name	FRIDAY Lunch & Dinner \$60 per adult	FRIDAY Lunch & Dinner \$40 Kids under 10 & volunteers only	SATURDAY Banquet \$65 per person	SATURDAY Banquet \$25 Kids under 10	TOTAL per person
				TOTAL	

Please indicate if anyone has special dietary needs _____

Note: On Saturday, for lunch, companies are allowed to grill out at Fonner Park. For other meals, attendees will find an abundance of great dining throughout Grand Island. Those businesses will certainly appreciate your visit!

Please return this form by email with the credit card information to April Tilden at april@nebtrucking.com

If paying by check, please mail to: Nebraska Trucking Association, Attention April Tilden, 1701 K Street Lincoln NE 68508.

Thank you for your support!



SPONSORSHIP FORM

Funding is extremely important for producing a high-quality event like the Nebraska Truck Driving Championships, and we're deeply grateful for the generosity of our donors. We hope you'll be among them this year.

Sponsors of the 2023 Nebraska Truck Driving Championships will have their names printed in the official championships program, on event signage and in the post-championships issue of Nebraska Trucker magazine. In addition, sponsors will be recognized via public announcements during the driving competition on Saturday, June 3.

If you would like to make a donation to this annual celebration of Nebraska's best professional drivers, please complete the form below.

I'm proud to be a 2023 Nebraska Truck Driving Championships sponsor!

Company name _____ Contact name _____

Contact email _____ Contact phone _____

Please indicate your level of participation:

- Presenting: \$3500** #1 on all signs, programs, emails and website. Full-page, premium placement advertisement in program. Included four banquet tickets (ONLY 3 AVAILABLE).
- Diamond: \$2500** #2 on all signs, programs, emails and website. Full-page advertisement in program. Included two banquet tickets.
- Platinum: \$1500** #3 on all signs, programs, emails and website. Half-page advertisement in program.
- Gold: \$500** #4 on all signs and programs.
- Silver: \$250** #5 on all signs and programs.

Raffle prize item donated: _____

PAYMENT METHOD

Credit card number _____ Cardholder name _____

Expiration date _____ CV2 _____ Billing Address _____

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NEBRASKA TRUCKING ASSOCIATION

VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION



WE WANT TO BE A PART OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP VOLUNTEER TEAM!

All volunteers must complete a meal ticket form and submit to April Tilden (april@nebtrucking.com).

Volunteer name	
Company	
Cell phone	
Email	
T-Shirt size	
Child Under 14? (Yes or No)	

SIGN ME UP FOR:

Friday, June 2rd	
Saturday, June 3	
Both days	

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Volunteer name	
Company	
Cell phone	
Email	
T-Shirt size	
Child Under 14? (Yes or No)	

SIGN ME UP FOR:

Friday, June 2	
Saturday, June 3	
Both days	

=====

Volunteer name	
Company	
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Child Under 14? (Yes or No)	

SIGN ME UP FOR:

Friday, June 2	
Saturday, June 3	
Both days	

Email or fax the volunteer form to Heidi Loop at heidi@choicetransportllc.com or fax 402-210-2714.



ANNOUNCER INFORMATION

Information will be used by the announcer as you are taking part in your driving skills test.

Drivers Name _____ Years Driving _____

Company _____ Accumulated Miles _____

Is this your first year competing? _____ How many years your participated in championships? _____

Name of your hometown newspaper? _____ Largest city near your hometown? _____

Spouse's Name	Child's name 1	Child's Name 2	Child's Name 3	Child's Name 4	Child's name 5
Military service, rank, year	Driving school	Favorite sport/team	Your first job	Your first car	Favorite model of truck

Personal Information (hobbies, awards, military service, etc.)	
What is your best driving skills? (backing, turns, etc.)	
Who are some people that influenced you to be the best driver possible? Explain.	
Tell me about ways that good truckers contribute to the greater good. Filling grocery store, supporting family, charity, safe roads, etc.	
What's the best part of the Nebraska Truck Driving Championships?	

(Be sure to complete Driver Registration on Page 2)

Contestant's Name: _____

Preferred Nickname: _____

Competition State: _____

Hosting State Association: _____

Employer: _____

Class of Competition (check one)

Straight Truck (Single 2-axle vehicle)

CDL Requirement: Class B

3-Axle (2-axle tractor & 1-axle 28' semitrailer)

CDL Requirement: Class A

4-Axle (2-axle tractor & 2-axle 53' semitrailer)

CDL Requirement: Class A

5-Axle (3-axle tractor & 2-axle 53' semitrailer)

CDL Requirement: Class A

Sleeper Berth (3-axle sleeper tractor & 2-axle 53' semitrailer)

CDL Requirement: Class A

Tank Truck (3-axle tractor & 2-axle tank semitrailer)

CDL Requirement: Class A - (N) Tank or (X) Combined Endorsement

Flatbed (3-axle tractor & 2-axle flatbed semitrailer)

CDL Requirement: Class A

Twin Trailers (2-axle tractor & set of 28' semitrailers)

CDL Requirement: Class A - (T) Twins Endorsement

Step Van (Step or Package Van)

CERTIFICATION BY EMPLOYER. I hereby certify that I am aware of the provisions of Chapter V, Eligibility Rules, of the Truck Driving Championships Rules & Procedures and applicable appendixes including the Step Van Driving Championships rule summary; that the contestant named herein is eligible to compete under these rules; that the contestant's employer is a member of an ATA-affiliated State Trucking Association, and that all information furnished about them is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Employer Manager's Signature (NOT driver's):

Manager Title: _____

AGREEMENTS AND RELEASE

In consideration of my being permitted to participate in the ATA's National and/or its affiliates' Truck Driving Championships (TDC) or Step Van Driving Championships (SVDC) and be eligible for awards offered to participants, I hereby stipulate and agree to the following:

1. I acknowledge that I am not in the employ of ATA or a State Trucking Association.
2. Both as to myself and my heirs and personal representatives, I release ATA, its directors, employees, agents and/or any of its affiliates and the State Association noted above, its directors, employees, agents and/or any of its affiliates from any and all liability and any right of action that may arise from any damage or injury which I may receive while attending or participating in said State or National TDC or National SVDC.
3. I grant the State Association listed to the left and ATA and its designated agencies exclusive right to make use of information about myself and of photographs supplied with this entry form, along with photographs subsequently taken under ATA's direction, in publicity and advertising activities. I further agree to make myself available for publicity enterprises arranged by ATA, with newspaper and magazine writers and radio and television personnel.
4. I grant State Association listed to the left and ATA the right to examine my CDL and MVR for the purposes of determining my eligibility to compete at both the State and National TDC or SVDC.
5. I will be bound by all orders, rules and regulations governing ATA's National and/or its affiliates' TDC or SVDC while participating in said competitions.

CERTIFICATION BY CONTESTANT. I certify that:

1. I have been continuously employed as a truck or step van driver by my present employer during the 12 months prior to the 2023 TDC.
2. I have driven and performed the regular duties of a truck or step van driver during the 12 months prior to the 2023 TDC.
3. I have not been away from the regular duties of a professional truck driver beyond an aggregate of 30 calendar days during the 12 months prior to the 2023 TDC.
4. I have not been involved in a fleet motor vehicle or motor carrier vehicle accident during the 12 months prior to the 2023 TDC.
5. I have the proper class CDL or DL plus required endorsement(s) for the class of competition indicated to the left.
6. I hold a CDL (DL if SVDC) from or have been occupationally domiciled in the state of _____. *Occupational domiciled is defined as the terminal, garage or other operating base from which the driver normally works, is supervised and/or where employer is corporately headquartered.*
7. I have not served as a member of any State Trucking Associations Truck Driving Championships Committee since January 1, 2023.
8. I have not received any form of pay, bonus, prize or other consideration for time spent in practice as set forth in the Truck Driving Championships Rules & Procedures. I agree that if I compete and win the State TDC, that I will compete at the National TDC or SVDC (as applicable), unless disqualified or am detained due to a medical emergency, in which case I will notify the applicable State Trucking Association immediately. I acknowledge that any misstatement made with respect to my eligibility for the TDC or SVDC competition may result in the forfeiture of my right to compete or in my disqualification from said competition.

Driver's Signature: _____

- Attach a copy of your MVR showing:
 - 1) Your name and/or signature; and
 - 2) Class of CDL (or license if SVDC applicant).



2023 STATE AND NATIONAL TRUCK DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS & STEP VAN DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Driver Registration

Driver Registration must be completed to be eligible for National competition!

Contestant's Name: _____

Competition Class: _____ Competition State: _____

Home Address: _____

Home City/State/ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

REQUIRED to receive registration confirmation

Will spouse/guest attend the State TDC? Yes No National TDC? Yes No

If yes to above: Spouse Guest

Spouse/Guest Name: _____

Children Name/Age: _____

Employer: _____

Employer Main Office Address: _____

Contestant's Home Terminal: _____

Terminal Manager's Name: _____

Terminal Manager Phone: _____

Have you ever been a member of America's Road Team? Yes Years: _____ No

Are you interested in serving on America's Road Team? Yes No

Have you been on a company Road Team? Yes Years: _____ No

Have you been on a state Road Team? Yes Years: _____ No

Lifetime Safe Driving Miles: _____

Number of Years: _____

w/ No-Accident Record: _____ in Trucking Industry: _____ w/ Employer: _____

Number of Accidents: Preventable: _____ Non-Preventable: _____

Date of Last Accident: _____

Usual Run: Local: _____ Peddle: _____ Line-Haul: _____

List unusual experiences, aid to motorists or at accident scene, acts of heroism:

Awards Received:

Hobbies: _____

Strangest Cargo Hauled: _____

Volunteer Experience: _____

Below and above information is used at Nationals to determine ND Professional Excellence Award eligibility. Please enter previous State/National TDC or SVDC in which you competed or volunteered below. Attach separate page if additional space is needed.

How many times have you participated in a:

State TDC: _____ National TDC: _____

Year	State	Competed Class	Competed Rank	Volunteer Role

