



TEXAS TRUCKING ASSOCIATION
AND THE
TXTA SAFETY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Proudly Present the

**2017 TRUCK
DRIVING
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

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Complete both sides of the attached form and return with appropriate fees to the address listed below for the region in which the driver will be participating. **Drivers are allowed to compete in only one Regional competition.** For more information, contact the Local Chairmen listed below.

Note: Membership in TXTA is not a requirement to compete in either Regional or State Competitions. Membership in ATA is not required to advance to the National Truck Driving and Step Van Championships, however, the driver must be employed by a TXTA member company.

REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dallas/Ft. Worth – April 29

Contest Chair: Mark Crocker
DFW Council of Safety Professionals
P.O. Box 5408
Arlington, TX 76005
817/776-2919
Entry Fee: \$85
Location: Pennington Field
1501 Central Dr., Bedford, TX 76022
Applications must be received by April 15.

San Antonio – May 6

Contest Chair: Gene Davis
Council of Safety Professionals-SA
5975 FM 78, Ste. 280
San Antonio, TX 78244
210/846-0083
Entry Fee: \$85
Location: Cowboys Dance Hall
3030 NE Loop 410 @ I-35
San Antonio, TX 78218
Driver Registration, Course Walk Through and Written Test-May 5, 5:30 p.m., at Ben E. Keith Foods 5505 Kaepa Ct., San Antonio, 78218.
Applications must be received by April 28.

Houston – May 13

Contest Chair: Robert Blanco
Houston Council of Safety Professionals
P.O. Box 5211
Houston, TX 77262
832/803-2192
Entry Fee: \$85
Location: Houston Community College Truck Driving School
555 Community College Dr.
Applications must be received by May 5.

Tyler – May 20

Contest Chair: Kevin Riley
East Texas Council of Trucking Professionals
264 CR 3817
Bullard, TX 75757
903/724-2686
Entry Fee: \$85
Location: Bullard High School
1426 S. Houston St., Bullard, TX 75757
Applications must be received by May 15.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

June 9-10, 2017

**Bryan/College Station Hilton (headquarters hotel) – Written Test and Virtual Course Walk-Through
Riverside Campus Highway 21 (four miles west of Bryan) – Driving & Pre-Trip Competitions**

State Driving Contest Chairman: Bubba Fiveash
Great West Casualty Co.
Phone # 817/233-8430

Competition at the State level will include 1st and 2nd place winners from Regional Championships.

Companies participating in the State Championships will be required to provide a tractor and/or trailer to be utilized during the competition as well as a volunteer to serve as a judge. Drivers whose companies do not provide equipment and volunteer judges will not be allowed to compete.

ATA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

August 8-12, 2017

Orlando, FL

Competition at the National level will include 1st place winners in each class of competition from the State Championships. ATA qualification rules for Nationals must be met.

2017 Truck Driving Championships & Step Van Driving Championships Entry and Release Form

(Be sure to complete Driver Information Sheet on reverse side)

Contestant's Name: _____ Preferred Nickname: _____
Competition State: _____ Hosting State Assn.: _____

Employer: _____

Class of Competition (check one)

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|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Straight Truck
(Single 2-axle vehicle) | <input type="checkbox"/> 5-Axle Tractor-Semitrailer
(3-axle tractor & 2-axle 53' semitrailer) | <input type="checkbox"/> Flatbed
(3-axle tractor & 2 axle flatbed semitrailer) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3-Axle Tractor-Semitrailer
(2-axle tractor & 1-axle 28' semitrailer) | <input type="checkbox"/> 5-Axle Sleeper Berth Tractor-Semitrailer
(3-axle sleeper tractor & 2-axle 53' semitrailer) | <input type="checkbox"/> Twin Trailers
(2-axle tractor & set of 28' semitrailers) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Axle Tractor-Semitrailer
(2-axle tractor & 2-axle 53' semitrailer) | <input type="checkbox"/> Tank Truck
(3-axle tractor & 2-axle tank semitrailer) | <input type="checkbox"/> Step Van
(Step or Package Van) |

CERTIFICATION BY EMPLOYER. I hereby certify that I am aware of the provisions of Chapter V, Truck Driving Championships Eligibility Rules, of the *ATA Truck Driving Championships Rules and Procedures, State and National* 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 Mgr.'s Signature (NOT driver's): _____ Mgr. 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:

- I acknowledge that I am not in the employ of ATA or a State Trucking Association.
- 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.
- I grant the State Association noted above 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.
- I grant State Association noted above and ATA the right to exam my CDL and MVR for the purposes of determining my eligibility to compete at both the State and National TDC or SVDC.
- 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 during the 12 months prior to the 2017 TDC:

- I have been continuously employed as a truck or step van driver by my present employer [exception: 11 of 12 months if previous employer went out of business and all other eligibility requirements are met]; and
- I have driven and performed the regular duties of a truck driver or step van driver for at least 11 of the 12 months, and that my regular duties of a truck driver or step van driver constituted not less than 60% of my work hours and at least 1200 hours annually.
- I have not been involved in a fleet motor vehicle or motor carrier vehicle accident in the course of such employment.
- I have the proper class Commercial Driver's License (if a SVDC applicant, not required), plus required endorsement(s) for the class of competition indicated above.
- That I hold a CDL from or have been occupationally domiciled in the state of _____. Occupational domiciled means the terminal, garage or other operating base from which the driver normally and usually works and/or is supervised.
- That the class of competition I am entering in 2017 is not a class in which I won at the state or regional TDC and/or competed at the National TDC in 2015 and 2016 or 2014 and 2015; or if I am entering the step van class, I did not win the state or regional TDC and/or compete at the National SVDC in the step van class in 2015 and 2016. I understand that after winning two consecutive years at the State TDC and/or competing two consecutive years at the Nationals in that same class of competition, I am not eligible to compete in that same class for one year if a step van competitor and two years if a competitor in any other class.
- I further certify that I have not received any form of pay, bonus, prize or other consideration for time spent in practice as set forth in the *ATA Truck Driving Championships Rules and Procedures, State and National*.
- 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 photocopy of your MVR showing: 1) Your name and/or signature; and 2) Class of CDL (or License if SVDC applicant)

Also attach a copy of your CDL.

2017 ATA Truck Driving Championships & Step Van Driving Championships Driver Information Form

Contestant's Name: _____
(first) (middle) (last)

Class of Competition: _____

Competition State: _____

Employer: _____

Employer Main Office Address: _____
(number-street) (city) (state) (zip)

Important:
 Company President: _____
(first) (middle) (last)

Safety Director: _____
(full name) (E-mail)

Safety Dir. Address: _____
(number-street) (city) (state) (zip)

Terminal Manager: _____
(full name) (E-mail)

Termin. Mgr Phone #: () _____

Contestant's Home Terminal: _____
(number-street) (city) (state) (zip)

Length of Service with Present Employer: _____ Length of Service in Trucking Industry: _____

Number of Years with No-Accident Record: _____ Lifetime Safe Driving Miles: _____

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

Date of Last Accident: _____

Usual Run: Local _____ Peddle _____ Line-haul _____

Is your company a member of the State Trucking Association? Yes State: _____ No

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

For State and National publicity purposes include:

- Recent 2" X 3" (or larger) head and shoulder photograph (may be e-mailed as instructed by State Championships Committee or hosting State Trucking Association), and
- The name of your hometown newspaper:

Home Address: _____
(number-street) (city) (state) (zip)

Home Phone: () _____ Cell Phone: () _____

E-mail: _____

Married: Yes No Spouse's Name: _____

Children's name(s)/age(s): _____

Will significant other attend the State TDC? Yes No National TDC? Yes No

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

Awards received: _____

Hobbies: _____

Strangest cargo ever hauled: _____

Do you volunteer? Where/how: _____

T-shirt size? _____ Jacket Size? _____

How many times have you participated in a State TDC? _____

How many times have you participated in a National TDC or SVDC? _____

Below and above info is used at Nationals to determine ND Professional Excellence Award eligibility.

Previous State/National TDC or SVDC in which you competed or volunteered:

Year	State	Competed Class	Competed Rank	Volunteer Role

(Please attached separate history sheet if additional space is needed for above listing)

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

Information sheet must be complete to be eligible for National competition!