



The NDSC's awards program honors member companies with outstanding safety programs; employees and instructors who make safety a top priority; and those who have gone above and beyond to improve safety in their workplaces and the communities they serve.

Award Categories & Criteria

WORKPLACE SAFETY MERIT AWARD

This award is given to MEMBER organizations showing an Experience Modification Rate (EMR) below 1, for the current award year.

- a. The awards will be based on an EMR below 1.
- b. Applicant must submit an EMR from their Workers Compensation insurance provider.

OUTSTANDING SAFETY INSTRUCTOR

This award is given to a safety instructor, or organization, who has taught a significant number of courses or students for the North Dakota Safety Council, as an employee, volunteer, contracted instructor, or a sub-agent, using a National Safety Council course or Operation Lifesaver materials. This person, or organization, has shown true dedication to improving safety in North Dakota, as well as received high marks for their training style.

- a. Organizations or Individuals must have taught 10 NSC or OL courses, or made 10 presentations in the award year.
OR
- b. Organizations or Individuals must have taught an NSC course or made an OL presentation to 150 students in the award year. This information can be obtained from the North Dakota Safety Council, if needed.
- c. Submit copies of 5 evaluations. Once the award is submitted, the NDSC will review applications or evaluations to determine the impact the instructor has had on their students. This section not required for OL presenters.

SAFE DRIVER AWARD - DIVISION 1 & 2

The NDSC's driving award program recognizes drivers of MEMBER companies with admirable safety records. The criteria indicate what is expected of each driver regarding safety performance and their skills to avoid traffic crashes while at work. Eligibility of drivers is based on the National Safety Council's guidelines for reporting individual driving records as well as motor vehicle crashes.

DIVISION 1 - Local Delivery Or Service Driver

- a. Individual must have a minimum of 3 years experience driving professionally.
- b. Individual must have driven a minimum of 100,000 miles incident free.
- c. Company must have a seatbelt and cell phone use policy in place.

DIVISION 2 - Over-The-Road Driver

- a. Individual must have a minimum of 3 years experience driving professionally.
- b. Individual must have driven a minimum of 500,000 miles incident free.
- c. Company must have a seatbelt and cell phone use policy in place.

STAR DRIVER AWARD - DIVISION 1 & 2

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DIVISION 1 - Local Delivery Or Service Driver

- a. Individual must have a minimum of 10 years experience driving professionally.
- b. Individual must have driven a minimum of 250,000 miles incident free.
- c. Company must have a seatbelt and cell phone use policy in place.

DIVISION 2 - Over-The-Road Driver

- a. Individual must have a minimum of 10 years experience driving professionally.
- b. Individual must have driven a minimum of 1,000,000 miles incident free.
- c. Company must have a seatbelt and cell phone use policy in place.

COMMUNITY ADVANCEMENT AWARD

This award is given to MEMBER companies who show a commitment to safety for their employees, families and communities in which they operate by providing exemplary OFF-THE-JOB safety and health programs. More than one winner may be recognized.

- a. Organizational commitment to health and safety
- b. Employee and employee family health and safety programs on and off the job
- c. Community engagement around safety and health.
- d. Must be new and different from previous year.

SAFETY IMPROVEMENT AWARD

This award is given to MEMBER companies who have improved in the area of safety and have shown a 50% decrease in their OSHA incidence rate from the previous year.

- a. Companies will be required to provide incidence rate from previous year and current year incidence rate. Log onto: <http://www.naics.com/search.htm> to find your NAICS code.
- b. The formula to determine your incidence rate is as follows:
Incidence Rate* = Total Recordable Cases x 200,000 ÷ Total Hours Worked by All Employees *Incidence rate formula is equal to the total of all incidents recorded in columns G, H, I and J of the OSHA 300 log.
- c. Submit a copy of your OSHA 300A
- d. Submit a summary describing steps taken to improve safety record and environment.

SAFETY MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE AWARD

This award is given to MEMBER companies as recognition for their commitment to safety. This award will be given to those who exhibit leadership qualities where safety expectations are clear, safety activities are supported financially, the leader is involved in key safety decisions and is positive about other's safety efforts - creating a caring company culture.

- a. Provide % of supervisors who have been trained in safety leadership or management.
- b. Provide number of company safety meetings held in the award year, along with log of meeting topics and date held.
- c. Provide % of employees trained in Hazard Recognition and Reporting.
- d. Submit a description of PROACTIVE safety programs implemented in the award year.
- e. Submit the company Experience Modification Rate (EMR) from Workers Compensation insurance provider for the award year. Must be 0.9 or below to qualify.