



## USPS Safe Driver of the Year Award Criteria

### Criteria

- This contest is only open to employees of the United States Postal Service.
- All data is self-reported and is subject to verification.
- Nominees must be full-time drivers whose primary responsibility is to operate motor vehicles on a regular basis in the performance of their normal duties.
- Nominees must have been employed by the US Postal Service for at least one year (12 consecutive months).
- Drivers who have been involved in a collision during the award period will be declared ineligible unless it is ruled as a non-preventable collision.
- Nominees **MUST** meet the minimum requirement of **15 consecutive years or 100,000 consecutive miles** driven without a preventable collision to be considered.
- Candidates for the Joseph M. Kaplan Safe Driver of the Year Award are judged based upon their total driving record throughout their career including the following criteria: total number of year's driven, total number of miles driven, total number of collisions, type(s) of vehicle authorized to operate, and the nominator's statement.
- Previous winners of the Joseph M. Kaplan Safe Driver of the Year award are ineligible to be nominated again.

### Nominations

- The nomination period runs from January 1 through March 31 each year.
- Deadline for submissions is the close of business, **March 31**.
- One nomination per driver.
- Nominees must have been employed by the U.S. Postal Service for at least 1 year (12 consecutive months).
- Nominations must be made by someone familiar with the nominee's work history, such as a supervisor, coworker, or professional peer.
- Nominees cannot nominate themselves.
- **Winners will be announced in June. Notifications will be sent by email to nominators.**

### Recognition

**Nominees must meet the minimum requirement of 15 consecutive years or 100,000 consecutive miles driven without a preventable collision to be considered for the Safe Driver of the Year Award and receive recognition.**

- Nominees who meet the minimum requirement will receive the **Safe Driver Award of Honor** and will be automatically considered for the **USPS Joseph M. Kaplan Safe Drivers of the Year Award**.
- All qualifying nominees will receive a congratulatory letter and personalized certificate from the National Safety Council.
- All drivers who qualify will be divided into the four Postal Areas (see page 2 for a listing by district).
- The top driver (with the most miles and years driven without a preventable collision) from each Area will be designated as one of the **USPS Joseph M. Kaplan Safe Driver of the Year** winners.
- The winners will receive a medallion and crystal award. They will also be recognized on stage at the NSC Congress and Expo. Any travel and lodging fees will be the responsibility of the nominating Member Company.



## USPS Safe Driver of the Year Four Area/Region, District/Division

### Atlantic Area/Region

Chesapeake  
Connecticut  
Delaware/Pennsylvania 2  
Massachusetts/Rhode Island  
Maryland  
Maine/New Hampshire/Vermont  
New England  
New Jersey  
New York 1  
New York 2  
New York 3  
New York Metro  
North Carolina  
Pennsylvania  
South Atlantic  
Virginia

### Southern Area/Region

Alabama/Mississippi  
Arkansas/Oklahoma  
Florida 1  
Florida 2  
Florida 3  
Georgia  
Gulf Atlantic  
Louisiana  
Puerto Rico  
South Carolina  
Southeast  
Southwest  
Tennessee  
Texas 1  
Texas 2  
Texas 3

### Central Area/Region

Iowa/Nebraska/S. Dakota  
Illinois 1  
Illinois 2  
Indiana  
Kansas/Missouri  
Kentucky/West Virginia  
Lakeshores  
Michigan 1  
Michigan 2  
Midwest  
Minnesota/N. Dakota  
Ohio 1  
Ohio 2  
Westshores  
Wisconsin

### WestPac Area/Region

Alaska  
Arizona/New Mexico  
California 1  
California 2  
California 3  
California 4  
California 5  
California 6  
Colorado/Wyoming/Hawaii  
Idaho/Montana/Oregon  
Nevada/Utah  
Pacific Northwest  
Southern California  
Washington  
Western

