

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 April 30 each year.
- Deadline for submissions is the close of business, **April 30**.
- 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/Regions (see page 2 for a listing by district/division).
- The top driver (with the most miles and years driven without a preventable collision) from each Area/Region 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

Central
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

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
Northern Plains
Ohio 1
Ohio 2
Westshores
Wisconsin

Southern Area/Region

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

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
Northwest
Pacific Coastal
Southern California
Washington
Western