

**MISSOURI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION  
2019 TRUCK DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**SUMMARY OF CONTESTANT  
GROUND RULES AND EXPECTATIONS**

- Registration:** All contestants must check-in between 6:00 a.m. and 6:30 a.m. Friday, May 30, 2019. Failure to register on time will result in disqualification.
- Orientation:** All contestants must attend driver orientation from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. Friday, May 31, 2019.
- Attendance:** All contestants must be at all roll calls, scheduled and unscheduled. Class Captains will conduct roll calls for their class of drivers throughout the competition.
- All contestants are expected to remain on hand on their day of competition, and must attend all official functions held in connection with the contest.
- Written Exam:** All contestants will be required to complete a written exam 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on Friday, May 30, 2019.
- Competition Classes:** Each class of drivers is assigned a Class Captain or Co-Captain(s). Class Captains are responsible for ensuring the class is available for the next competition.
- If a contestant has a concern or problem, it is to be reported to the Class Captain who will notify the Class Captain Chairman. In turn he will notify the TDC Chairman and/or Committee if necessary.
- All contestants must report back to their respective Class Captain after finishing competition in any event. Only the Class Captain can release a contestant to leave the group or designated area.
- Classes of drivers, when not competing, must remain in contact with their Class Captain. Contestants may watch the competition when not competing. Drivers must report to Class Captain at least 20 minutes before their next activity. (Times on schedule are estimated.)
- Conduct:** All contestants are expected to conduct themselves in a professional and courteous manner. If a problem or questions arise, it shall be taken to the contestant's Class Captain, who will notify the Class Captain Chairman. In turn he will notify the TDC Chairman and/or Committee if necessary. Professionalism is required of all contestants, judges, volunteers, and all persons representing their companies and the industry. The Code of Conduct must be adhered to at all times.
- Electronic Devices:** Cell phones, watches, iPod, mp3 players, and ALL other electronic devices are prohibited during competition on the driver's person or in his/her possession. For purposes of this rule, "competition" hours begin at Check-In and lasts until dismissal by the Class Captain at the end of the day. "On person" means in the contestant's hand, pocket, driver bag, or other personal item or within reach, or in a place where the contestant can gain unsupervised access to the device.

## **CODE OF CONDUCT:**

Missouri Trucking Association and the Council of Safety Supervisors require strict adherence to the following Code of Conduct:

1. No abusive or profane language will be tolerated.
2. Respect will be shown to all fellow contestants, judges and volunteers.
3. No destruction of private or personal property.
4. No alcohol consumption at any time during competition on Friday or Saturday until released by your team captain.
5. No alcoholic beverages will be brought into or consumed during the Championships Banquet.
6. All contestants are expected to behave responsibly and in a professional manner.
7. For all situations not addressed in this code or more stringent company policy, please see your company official or representative for clarification.

Violation of the Code of Conduct will result in immediate disqualification from competition in this year's event. Company officials will be notified and depending on the severity of the violation could result in future disqualification of the individual and company.

**Participants:** Participants are not allowed to have family members, friends or guests with them during competition or while with Class groups. Participants must return to their Class Captain immediately after competition in an event.

**Disqualification:** Violation of any of the rules will result in driver disqualification from the competition. If driver has completed any or all competition when violation occurs, driver's scores will be voided. **Contestant will be disqualified if he/she misses any scheduled or unscheduled roll call.** Any accident during competition will result in disqualification. Contestants must remain with their groups unless they are in competition, or released by Class Captain.

**Non-Contestants:** Family or friends of drivers in the competition are not allowed with the driver during competition, orientation or while the driver is with his/her Class while waiting on next competition.

**Disqualification:** Failure to follow these rules can result in driver disqualification. If a problem or concern arises, please contact your Class Captain immediately.

***The members of the 2019 Truck Driving Championships Committee wish to THANK YOU for your participation in this year's event. These rules are prepared to ensure a fair and enjoyable experience for you, your family and friends. We wish each of you GOOD LUCK!!***