

Dear ATA and SMMC members,

After consulting with the ATA and SMMC leadership, I am excited to announce there is a unanimous consensus to roll on with the Alabama Truck Driving Championships on Friday, May 27th on the grounds of the Pelham Civic Complex in Pelham, Ala.

We are planning to host an outstanding event that properly celebrates our industry's most valuable resource: professional truck drivers. To make this event possible, there are obstacles to overcome and we need your help. Here is a list of needs:

1. DRIVER ENTRIES

Some large fleets cannot participate this year due to corporate restrictions on travel. These firms usually send about a third of all contestants. We encourage members who can participate to enter at least three drivers -- the more we register, the better the event. The good news is this may be the year for some of you smaller carriers to bring home some hardware! Any driver is eligible to compete if they have been employed continuously by an ATA member firm for the past year and are accident-free from May 28, 2021, to May 27, 2022.

2. EQUIPMENT

We desperately need help securing equipment, especially trailers. But we also need tractors and other support equipment, such as power generators, heavy-duty electrical cords, and other supplies. In the coming weeks, our team will personally reach out to some of you for specific requests. Please help even if you cannot attend the event.

3. EVENT SPONSORS & PARTNERS

We will ask member firms to sponsor the event so we can produce the kind of event that our drivers deserve. See the included packet for sponsorship opportunities and the great exposure you'll get in return.

Your early participation is crucial to our success, and it will be the deciding factor in how we conduct our TDC. Please complete the registration form and return it by April 15th. Please contact me with any questions at tfrazier@alabamatrucking.com or 256-735-6675.

I hope to see you in Pelham!



Tim Frazier
VP of Safety & Compliance
Alabama Trucking Association

2022 ALABAMA TRUCK DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sponsored by
ALABAMA TRUCKING ASSOCIATION
SAFETY & MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Friday, May 27, 2022
TO ALL CARRIERS - PRIVATE AND FOR HIRE - ALLIED INDUSTRIES

Arrangements are finalized for this year's Truck Driving Championships. YOU AND YOUR COMPANY are invited to participate and support this popular event that features the "PROFESSIONAL TRUCK DRIVER."

Competition will be in nine classes: straight truck; 3-, 4- and 5-axle van tractor-semitrailer; 5-axle tank; 5-axle flatbed; twin trailers; sleeper berth and twin trailers.

The top three places in each class will receive trophies. Also, trophies will be awarded to the Rookie of the Year, highest score on the vehicle defects test and Grand Champion.

Plan NOW and ENTER your company's best drivers in the 2022 Alabama Truck Driving Championships. Recognition of safe driving pays dividends through improved morale and increased driver awareness of safe operations.

Sponsorship and Enrollment Forms are attached

ALL COMPANIES WITH ELIGIBLE DRIVERS CAN ENTER...

Motels Close by:

Hampton Inn & Suites 232 Cahaba Valley Rd Pelham, AL 205/313-9500 \$169.00	Fairfield Inn 230 Cahaba Valley Rd Pelham, AL 205/987-9879 \$169.00
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(Please ask for room block ATA for the discounted rate per night)

Registration Deadline for discount is May 1, 2022

Company Enrollment Form
2022 ALABAMA TRUCK DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Driver Eligibility Requirements

1. Be accident free from May 27, 2021 to May 26, 2022.
2. Be a full-time driver and CDL licensed.
3. Be an employee for the past 12 months with his/her company.
4. Be a resident of Alabama, or operate from an Alabama terminal.

A company may enter up to three drivers in each class of competition or one driver per class per company location in Alabama. National ATA Truck Driving Championships rules and National Step Van Driving Championships rules apply. Decisions of the judges and the ATA-TDC Committee are final.

Contestants may not receive any form of pay, bonus or remuneration for time spent in practice. A company may, at its option, reimburse drivers for expenses incurred in attending the championships.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO SMMC, MAILED TO TRUCK DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS, ALABAMA TRUCKING ASSOCIATION, P.O. Box 242337, MONTGOMERY, AL 36124.

**ENTRY FEE - \$200.00 PER ENTRANT FOR ASSOCIATION MEMBERS
\$300.00 PER ENTRANT FOR NON-MEMBERS**

(Note: Non-member firms may compete one year only)

(CLASS WINNER'S FIRMS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE \$450 NATIONAL ENTRY FEE)

ENCLOSED IS A CHECK FOR \$ _____ TO COVER THE ENTRY FEE FOR _____ CONTESTANT(S) IN THE 2022 ALABAMA TRUCK DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS. WE ARE ENTERING DRIVERS IN THE FOLLOWING CLASSES OF COMPETITION:

Straight Truck	()	5 Axle Tank Day Cab	()
3 Axle Van Day Cab	()	5 Axle Flat Bed Day Cab	()
4 Axle Van Day Cab	()	5 Axle Van Sleeper Berth	()
5 Axle Van Day Cab	()	Twin Trailer Combination Day Cab	()
Step Van	()		

"FACTS FOR DRIVERS" for each contestant will be mailed to you upon receipt of this form. ENTRY DEADLINE: April 15, 2022. Running order is determined by the date entry and release forms are received in the association office.

COMPANY _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ FAX _____

NAME OF COMPANY OFFICIAL _____

COMPANY OFFICIAL'S EMAIL _____

TITLE _____

Headquarters: PELHAM CIVIC COMPLEX

TDC 2022 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
FRIDAY MAY 27, 2022

6:30-8:00 A.M.	Continental Breakfast	Pelham Civic Complex
7:00-8:00 A.M.	Contestant Registration	Pelham Civic Complex
8:00-8:30 A.M.	Contestant Briefing- <i>All Classes</i>	Pelham Civic Complex
8:30 A.M.-5:00 P.M.	Vehicle Defects* <i>Classes will be announced</i>	Pelham Civic Complex
9:30 A.M.	Skills Test Course Walk-Through <i>Classes will be announced</i>	Pelham Civic Complex
Immediately Following Walk-Through	Skills Testing <i>Classes will be announced</i>	Pelham Civic Complex
Immediately Following Skills Testing	Written Exam- <i>All Classes</i>	Pelham Civic Complex
Final Event	Ladies SUV Championships	Pelham Civic Complex
6:30 P.M.	Friday Night Banquet-- Awards Presentation <i>Contestants, Family, Guests, Judges, Officials</i>	Pelham Civic Complex

*Vehicle Defects contestants will be assigned lunch times by the officials. Lunch will be on your own. Please remember, you must be at your assigned location when your name is called.

The awards presentation will be held during the banquet at the Pelham Civic Complex.

Please note that the schedule may change depending on the weather, the number of contestants in each class, etc. All changes will be announced at the Contestant Briefing on Friday morning.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE

ALABAMA TRUCK DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022

The Alabama Trucking Association Safety and Maintenance Management Council 2022 Truck Driving Championships (TDC) May 27, 2022 at the Pelham Civic Complex, Pelham, Alabama.

The event will see anywhere from 90 to 150 drivers in nine classes competing for the opportunity to represent the state of Alabama at the National Championships in Indianapolis Indiana in August.

Your sponsorship will make this event possible, as we would not be able to provide this opportunity for the drivers without your help.

Your company name will be displayed on a banner at the skills testing site, your ad will appear in the official Truck Driving Championships program, plus you will receive recognition several times during the actual competition.

Please review the enclosed sponsorship document. You may contact Tim Frazier and/or Ford Boswell if you have any questions. To be included in the program, your sponsorship must be received by May 6, 2022, the day the program is to be at the printer's.

2022 Alabama Truck Driving Championships

Sponsorship Program

Pelham Civic Complex, Pelham, Alabama

May 27, 2022

Company Representative: _____ Email: _____

Company: _____

Billing Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Select One Sponsorship Category:

Gold \$500.00

- A free full-page (B&W camera ready) ad in 2022 TDC program.
- Listing on TDC signage.

Silver \$400.00

- A free ½ page (B&W camera ready) ad in 2022 TDC program.
- Listing on TDC signage.

Bronze \$300.00

- Listing on 2022 TDC signage.

Additional sponsorship opportunities include:

<u>TAKEN</u> Judges & Officials Lunch Friday (includes listing on TDC signage)	\$ 500.00
<u>TAKEN</u> Golf Cart Sponsor (Includes listing on TDC signage)	\$ 800.00
<u>TAKEN</u> Drivers Breakfast Sponsor (Includes listing on TDC signage)	\$1,000.00
<u> </u> Obstacle Course Sponsor (Includes signage on obstacle – 6 available)	\$1,000.00
<u> </u> Grand Champion Trophy (Includes listing on TDC signage & Name on Trophy)	\$1,500.00
<u>TAKEN</u> Official Alabama Truck Driving Championship Shirts (To include your company logo)	\$5,000.00
<u> </u> Friday Evening Banquet Dinner (Up to 4, \$1000 sponsors for this event)	\$4,000.00

***DEADLINE for all sponsorship advertising material is May 6, 2022.** For more information regarding ad specs, contact ATA's Ford Boswell at fboswell@alabamatrucking.org.

Fax completed form to: 334/262-6504 OR Mail to ATA, P.O. Box 242337, Montgomery, AL 36124

Your financial support will contribute substantially to ATA's SMMC #1 safety activity of the year. We invite and urge your participation as a Sponsor of this event by completing the form above and return it to the ATA office. All sponsors receive recognition periodically during the event! Thank you in advance for promoting highway safety!

2022 Alabama Truck Driving Championships

Contestant's Family/Guests & Officials Reservation

“FRIDAY NIGHT BANQUET”

May 27, 2022

6:30 p.m. PELHAM CIVIC COMPLEX

Company: _____

_____ Adult Tickets @ \$40.00 ea. \$ _____
*** (DO NOT INCLUDE CONTESTANTS) ***

_____ Children Tickets @ \$20.00 ea. \$ _____
(10 and under)

CONTESTANT MEALS ARE INCLUDED IN REGISTRATION FEE

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY May 13th. PAYMENT REQUIRED IN ADVANCE

RETURN TO: Alabama Trucking Association * P.O. Box 242337 * Montgomery, AL 36124

LADIES, START YOUR ENGINES!

The 2022 TDC Committee is proud to announce the continuation of a competition called the **LADIES SUV CHAMPIONSHIPS!** This challenge is open to the wives or significant other of the TDC competitors. The ladies will be required to drive an SUV through a course that is very similar to the one their husbands will be navigating. The rules and scoring are the same as the official TDC.

If there has ever been a “discussion” about who is the better driver, here is your chance to prove it! Simply fill out the form below and return it to the Alabama Trucking Association.

Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers at the conclusion of the competition, and the trophies are very impressive. Don’t miss out on this event, interest in 2007 was so high that it has become a permanent part of the competition.

If you have any questions, Tim Frazier at the association office will be happy to answer them for you.

Ladies SUV Contestant _____

TDC Contestant _____

TDC Contestant’s Company _____