

2022 Safety Awards & Scholarship Program



Great West Casualty Fleet Safety Awards

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Georgia Driver of the Year

Nominate one of your drivers for this award and it is one of the most prestigious awards a driver can win. It is an excellent way to recognize a top performer and to promote goodwill among your drivers and their co-workers. Basis for nomination includes the driver's safety record, years of experience, documented acts of courtesy or heroism, contributions to highway safety, letters of commendation, and any other information relating to his/her professionalism. Any driver is eligible that resides in and/or is domiciled in Georgia, and whose employer is a motor carrier member of the Georgia Motor Trucking Association. Nominations are limited to one driver per company.

Georgia Safety Professional of the Year

This annual recognition is presented to an active member of the Council who has excelled in the field of truck safety. Nominees must be a member of the Safety Management Council, be employed full-time in Georgia for the past five years, and performing duties directly related to truck fleet loss prevention. Nominations can be made by anyone and previous winners are not eligible. Judging will be based on the professional qualifications of the nominee, his/her success in advancing highway and industrial safety in his/her fleet, and his/her work and leadership in the GMTA Safety Management Council and other professional safety organizations. As a condition of the nomination, the nominee and his/her employer grant to the Awards Committee full authority to investigate any records and premises to determine qualifications for the award. In turn, the Committee agrees to maintain the confidentiality of the results of such investigations.

Rick Perkins Memorial Scholarship

The GMTA Memorial Scholarship Award is dedicated to the memory of Rick Perkins, a former leader in the GMTA Safety Management Council and director of the Georgia Truck Driving Championships. This tribute is in recognition of his years of dedication and leadership as a driving instructor at Carroll Technical Institute, his active participation in the Safety Council, and his contributions to highway safety and the trucking industry. The annual scholarship will provide \$1,000 towards the furtherance of education to an eligible child or grandchild of a participant in the Georgia Truck Driving Championships. The award will be paid to any technical school, college or university of the recipient's choice.

Important Dates

March 15th – Fleet Safety Award Deadline

April 1st – Safety Director of The Year, Driver of The Year, Scholarship Deadline

May 6th – Awards Ceremony

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Award winners will be announced at the Awards Banquet at the Georgia Truck Driving Championships on May 9th. Please plan to make your company a part of the competition this year.

PLEASE REVIEW THE CONTEST RULES ON THE BACK AND RETURN THIS FORM BY March 15th, 2022.

Company Name: _____

City & State: _____ **Email:** _____

Company Safety Director: _____ **Phone:** (_____) _____

Check (☒) one contest division. Copy this form as needed for more than one division.

☐ General Commodities Truckload
☐ General Commodities LTL
☐ Tank Truck

☐ Household Goods
☐ Heavy Hauler
☐ Auto Transporter

☐ Flatbed
☐ Dump Truck
☐ Miscellaneous (Specify Below)

2021 Georgia Fleet Data	Georgia Fleet Vehicle Miles	Georgia Fleet DOT Recordable Accidents	Georgia Fleet Frequency Rate <small>Frequency = $\frac{\text{Total Georgia Accidents} \times 1,000,000}{\text{Total Georgia Miles}}$</small>
Line-Haul			
Local			
Total			

2021 Total Fleet Data (All Operations)	Total Fleet Vehicle Miles	Total Fleet DOT Recordable Accidents	Total Fleet Frequency Rate

Improvement Award Data: 2020 Georgia Fleet Information

2020 GA Accidents _____ 2020 GA Mileage _____ 2020 GA Frequency _____

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATION MUST BE SIGNED BY AN OFFICER OF THE COMPANY OTHER THAN THE SAFETY DIRECTOR.

We hereby certify that the information submitted above is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.
We agree that a check of the record may be made prior to the announcement of any award to this organization.

Signature: _____ **Title:** _____

2021 GREAT WEST CASUALTY FLEET SAFETY AWARDS

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- ◇ Entries are limited to trucking company members of GMTA.
- ◇ Mileage and accidents will be reported for Georgia operations only (except where noted “Total Fleet Data”).
- ◇ Reporting of Accidents: ***All DOT recordable accidents, whether preventable or non-preventable,*** should be reported.

Please note the following accident guidelines:

- A. The amount of damage or cost of repair is not a factor in determining if the occurrence is an accident.
 - B. DOT recordable accidents are those that must be recorded in the company accident register and available for review in the event of a FMCSA audit as described in 49 CFR 390.5.
 - C. These accidents include:
 - 1) Any accident involving a fatality;
 - 2) Any accident with bodily injury to a person who must be transported away from the scene for medical treatment;
 - 3) Any accident where one or more vehicles incur disabling damage and must be transported away from the scene by tow truck.
 - D. These accidents do not include:
 - 1) An occurrence involving only boarding and alighting from a stationary motor vehicle;
 - 2) An occurrence involving only the loading or unloading of cargo.
- ◇ A separate report must be filed for each division representing a different type of service performed within the state.
 - ◇ A plaque or other suitable recognition will be awarded for the lowest accident frequency ratio in each of the divisions.
 - ◇ A panel of judges selected by the GMTA Safety Management Council shall judge all entries and determine all winners. In addition, the panel will select from among the winners a “Grand Champion”, giving consideration to the following factors:
 - Accident Frequency
 - Overall Safety Program
 - Interest Shown in Trucking Industry Safety Activities
 - Improvement in Safety Record

All entries must be received by March 15th 2022

To submit your entry email a .pdf to media@gmta.org