

2007 NTDC Schedule of Events



Competition

Minneapolis Convention Center
1301 2nd Avenue S
Minneapolis, MN 55403
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Hotels

Hilton Minneapolis
1001 Marquette Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55403
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www.hilton.com



Hotel Reservation Cut-Off Date: July 20, 2007

- * In many cases, employers reserve rooms for their competing drivers, so please check with your employer before reserving a room. When reserving, always remember to say you are with the ATA/NTDC event.

NTDC Office: Convention Center, 1st Floor, 103 D
News Media Headquarters: Convention Center, 2nd Floor, Show Office C/D

Registration & Information Booth

Contestants, Den Mothers, and Judges will register on Wednesday as set forth in the Schedule of Events below.

Company Officials and spouses may register on Tuesday at the Hilton Minneapolis from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. or after Tuesday, at the NTDC Information Booth located on the 1st Floor of the Convention Center in the foyer outside Hall E.

Information Booth hours are as follows:

Wednesday, August 22	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Thursday, August 23	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday, August 24	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 25	8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Monday, August 20, 2007

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **NTDC Committee Meeting** (closed meeting/dinner served)
Hilton Minneapolis, 2nd Floor, Hennepin/Carver

Tuesday, August 21, 2007

(Access to Convention Center on Tuesday is restricted to NTDC Committee members and Equipment Handlers only.)

7:30 a.m. **Layout of Course**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Halls C and D

8:00 a.m. – 12 noon **Receipt of Equipment for Pre-Trip Inspection and Skills Test**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Hall E

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Registration for Company Officials & Spouse Registration**
Hilton Minneapolis, 2nd Floor Balcony/Nicolette Foyer

Wednesday, August 22, 2007

JUDGES & VOLUNTEERS

8:00 a.m. **Briefings (Mandatory)**
Convention Center, 1st Floor

- Den Mothers Room 101
- Scorers / Recorders & Projectionists Room 101
- Pre-Trip Inspection Judges Room 101
- Personal Interview Judges Room 103 F

10:00 a.m. **Course Judges Registration and Meeting**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Room 101 I (Mandatory)

Note: Mandatory for all Course Judges to attend the registration and meeting on time. Failure to attend the registration and meeting at 10:00 a.m. will result in assigning other members to the Skills Test problems and we cannot guarantee an assignment for you.

11:30 a.m. **Course Judges Walk Through of Course**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Halls D & E (Mandatory)

Note: Mandatory for all Course Judges to attend the walk through of the course on time. Failure to attend the walk through of the course at 11:30 a.m. will result in assigning other members to the Skills Test problems and we cannot guarantee an assignment for you.

1:30 p.m. **Review of the Course** (Course Judges, Contestants, & Den Mothers)
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Rooms 102 A-F (Mandatory)

Note: Mandatory for all Course Judges to attend the review of the course on time. Failure to attend the review of the course at 1:30 p.m. will result in assigning other members to the Skills Test problems and we cannot guarantee an assignment for you.

4:00 p.m. **Adjournment of Wednesday Judges Mandatory Activities**

6:00 p.m. **Judges Reception**

Wednesday, August 22, 2007 - continued

CONTESTANTS

Note: Contestants are strongly encouraged to eat an early lunch prior to coming to the Convention Center as there is no scheduled meal break between 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

11:00 a.m.

Contestant Registration, Equipment Selection & Briefing (Mandatory):

→ **Contestant Registration & Equipment Selection Orientation**

Note: Contestants must report to their respective Bullpen rooms as indicated.

	Convention Center, 1 st Floor
Straight Truck	Room 101 F
3-Axle	Room 101 G
4-Axle	Room 101 H
5-Axle	Room 101 C
Tank Truck	Room 101 D
Twins	Room 101 E
Flatbed	Room 101 I
5-Axle Sleeper & Auto Transporter	Room 101 J

→ **Contestant Equipment Selection** – Convention Center, 1st Floor, Halls C & D

Note: After selecting equipment, Contestants must return to their respective Bullpen rooms for further instructions from the Den Mothers and to turn in their completed Equipment Selection Cards. (Mandatory)

12:30 p.m.

Contestant Briefings (Mandatory)

Note: Contestants must report to their respective Bullpen rooms as indicated.

	Convention Center, 1 st Floor
Straight Truck	Room 101 F
3-Axle	Room 101 G
4-Axle	Room 101 H
5-Axle	Room 101 C
Tank Truck	Room 101 D
Twins	Room 101 E
Flatbed	Room 101 I
5-Axle Sleeper & Auto Transporter	Room 101 J

1:30 p.m.

Review of the Course (Contestants, Den Mothers and Course Judges)
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Rooms 102 A-F (Mandatory)

Note: After the review of the course, Contestants must return to their respective bullpen rooms. (Mandatory)

2:30 p.m.

Walk Through of the Course (Contestants and Den Mothers Only)
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Halls D & E (Mandatory)

Note: After walk through of course, Contestants must return to their respective bullpen rooms. (Mandatory) If drivers in a bullpen are all back written exam may begin.

4:00 p.m.

Written Exam and Briefings for Contestants (60 minutes for written exam)

Note: Contestants will take Written Exam in their respective bullpen rooms. After completing/ turning in exam, Contestants may leave for the day.

	Convention Center, 1 st Floor
Straight Truck	Room 101 F
3-Axle	Room 101 G
4-Axle	Room 101 H
5-Axle	Room 101 C
Tank Truck	Room 101 D
Twins	Room 101 E
Flatbed	Room 101 I
5-Axle Sleeper & Auto Transporter	Room 101 J

Written Exam Scoring - Convention Center, Hall E

5:00 p.m.

Adjournment of Wednesday Contestant Activities

Wednesday, August 22, 2007 - continued

SPOUSES

- 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Spouse/Significant Other Registration**
Convention Center, Room 211 Foyer
- 11:00 p.m. - 12:00 noon **Welcome Remarks & Spouse/Significant Other Special Program/Entertainment**
Convention Center Room 211 A-D
- 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Souvenir Sale begins**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, 103 A-F
- Additional Souvenir Sale hours are as follows:
Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Note: To ensure the integrity of the Championships, all spouses, family members, friends, colleagues, spectators and other unauthorized individuals will be restricted access to rooms 101 A-J; 102 A-F, and Hall C and D of the Convention Center for the duration of event. Hall E of the Convention Center will be restricted prior to Thursday morning. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Thursday, August 23, 2007

- 7:00 a.m. **Doors Open** – Minneapolis Convention Center, 1st Floor, Ballroom A & B
- 7:15 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. **Breakfast of Champions** – Minneapolis Convention Center, Ballroom A & B
- 8:30 a.m. **Contestants in the following Classes must return to their bullpen rooms prior to competing in the Skills Test (Mandatory):**
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| | Convention Center, 1 st Floor |
| Straight Truck | Room 101 F |
| 5-Axle | Room 101 C |
| Twins | Room 101 E |
| 5-Axle Sleeper & Auto Transporter | Room 101 J |
- 8:30 a.m. **Contestants in the following Classes must return to their bullpen rooms prior to competing in the Pre-Trip Inspection and Personal Interview competitions (Mandatory):**
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| | Convention Center, 1 st Floor |
| 3-Axle | Room 101 G |
| 4-Axle | Room 101 H |
| Tank Truck | Room 101 D |
| Flatbed | Room 101 I |
- Note: All Classes run simultaneously.*
- 8:45 a.m. **Skills Test** – Convention Center, 1st Floor, Halls D & E:
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| <u>Course A</u> | <u>Course B</u> | <i>Note: All Classes run simultaneously.</i> |
| 5-Axle | Straight Truck | |
| Twins | 5-Axle Sleeper | |
| | Auto Transporter | |
- 8:45 a.m. **Personal Interviews** (Straight, 5-Axle, Twins, 5-Axle Sleeper, Auto Transporter)
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Room 101 D-E
- and
- Pre-Trip Inspection** (3-Axle, 4-Axle, Flatbed, and Tank)
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Hall C
- 6:00 p.m. **Adjournment of Thursday Activities**

Friday, August 24, 2007

- 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast Sandwiches Served (Contestants Only)**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Foyer outside bullpen rooms
- 7:00 a.m. **Contestants in the following Classes must return to their bullpen rooms prior to competing in the Skills Test (Mandatory):**
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| | Convention Center, 1 st Floor |
| 3-Axle | Room 101 G |
| 4-Axle | Room 101 H |
| Tank Truck | Room 101 D |
| Flatbed | Room 101 I |
- 7:00 a.m. **Contestants in the following Classes must return to their bullpen rooms prior to competing in the Pre-Trip Inspection and Personal Interview competitions (Mandatory):**
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| | Convention Center, 1 st Floor |
| Straight Truck | Room 101 F |
| 5-Axle | Room 101 C |
| Twins | Room 101 E |
| 5-Axle Sleeper & Auto Transporter | Room 101 J |
- 7:15 a.m. **Skills Test** – Convention Center, 1st Floor, Halls C & D:
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| <u>Course A</u> | <u>Course B</u> |
| 3-Axle | Flatbed |
| 4-Axle | Tank |
- Note: All Classes run simultaneously.*
- 7:15 a.m. **Personal Interviews** (3-Axle, 4-Axle, Flatbed, Tank)
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Rooms 102 B-E
- and
- Pre-Trip Inspection** (Straight Truck, Twins, 5-Axle, 5-Axle Sleeper, and Auto Transporter)
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Hall C
- 10:30 a.m. **Deadline to Turn in Banquet Tickets to the Information Booth**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Foyer of the Hall E
- 6:00 p.m. **Adjournment of Friday Activities**

Saturday, August 25, 2007

- 6:30 a.m. **Breakfast for Drivers**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Foyer outside bullpen rooms
- 7:00 a.m. **Contestants must report to their respective bullpens:**
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| Straight Truck | Room 101 F |
| 3-Axle | Room 101 G |
| 4-Axle | Room 101 H |
| 5-Axle | Room 101 C |
| Tank Truck | Room 101 D |
| Twins | Room 101 E |
| Flatbed | Room 101 I |
| 5-Axle Sleeper & Auto Transporter | Room 101 J |
- 7:20 a.m. **Line-Up All Contestants**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Hall C
- 7:35 a.m. **“National Anthem” and “Introduction of State Champions”**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Hall E
- 8:00 a.m. **Parade of Equipment**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Halls C-D
- 9:30 a.m. **National Truck Driving Championships Finals**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Halls D & E
- 11:00 a.m. (approx.) **Awards Presentation**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Hall E
- 12 noon **Champions / 2nd place / 3rd place Briefings**
Convention Center, 1st Floor, Room 101I
- 5:30 p.m. **Private Reception** (Head Table Dignitaries)
Hilton Minneapolis, Hennepin / Carver Room
- 5:30 p.m. **Championships Reception**
Hilton Minneapolis, 3rd Floor Foyer
- 6:15 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. **Championships Awards Banquet** (Tickets Collected)
Hilton Minneapolis, 3rd Floor, Grand Ballroom