



Truck Safety & Skills CDE

Purpose

The purpose of the Truck Driving Career Development Event is to encourage the safe and appropriate use of vehicles in an agricultural setting. The event challenges students to safely operate a pickup truck through a set course with accuracy.

Sponsor

The truck driving event is sponsored Southern Shows and Bobby Murray Chevrolet.

State Event Superintendent

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Eligibility

The state event will be open to only one participant from each federation - the federation winner. The federation winner must be an active member; however, no previous state winner is eligible. Participants must be at least 16 years old and have a valid North Carolina Driver's License. FFA members may not participate in a Career Development Event that leads to a state level event after July 1, following their high school/early college graduation.

The use or possession of cellular phones, Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs) or any other mobile electronic communication device is prohibited during any state-level career development event. Any violation of this rule will result in total disqualification.

Any member found cheating in any state-level career development event will result in total disqualification for that event.

The North Carolina FFA Association, in keeping with the FFA mission and purposes, does not permit the use of tobacco products at any FFA facility or at any FFA activity.

Dress Code

Participants are required to follow the North Carolina FFA Career Development Event Dress Code. A ten percent reduction in the total team score will be taken if a participant violates the dress code. Participants are allowed to wear long pants, an appropriate shirt with a collar or an appropriate high school or FFA t-shirt.

Procedures for Administering the Event

Participants will be judged on their knowledge and demonstration of safety practices and skills in the operation of a pickup truck. The truck that will be used in the state event will be a full-sized, long bed, standard cab GM/Chevrolet truck. The lowest score is the winner.

Scoring

Participants will be scored on their performance using the North Carolina FFA Truck Driving Score Card. Performances will be times and the time is calculated into the individual score. Participants start with a score of zero and points are given for each infraction earned. The participant's event time is calculated into the score as a deduction. The participant with the lowest score is considered the winner.

State Awards

The awards for the state event will be presented annually at the state FFA convention to include a team 1st, 2nd and 3rd place certificate. Trophies will be given on site at the conclusion of the event.

North Carolina FFA Truck Driving Score Card

Participant's Name _____ Number _____

School _____

Scoring	Number	Times	Penalty Points
1. Failure to adjust seat and rear view and side mirrors, fasten seat belt or release parking brake will result in a penalty	_____	x5	_____
2. Each instance of rough or jerking slams or rough severe braking, skidding or spinning tires.	_____	x2	_____
3. Each instance of opening door to observe course.	_____	x5	_____
4. Each instance of failure to follow instructions or safety rules.	_____	x5	_____
5. Each instance of stopping or interrupting continuous movement of vehicle where not required in course.	_____	x5	_____
6. Each instance of upsetting a marker.	_____	x5	_____
7. Each instance of touching a marker.	_____	x3	_____
8. Each instance of stopping and backing to avoid upsetting a marker.	_____	x3	_____
9. Each instance where any portion of the truck tire extends over a borderline.	_____	x5	_____
10. Drivers should blow horn when ready. Each full inch front bumper is away from barrier (to the nearest inch), touching barrier is a 10-point penalty.	_____	x1	_____
11 Each full inch tailgate is away from barrier (to the nearest inch), touching barrier is 10-point penalty. Blow horn to signal completion of the course.	_____	x1	_____
12 Time: Minutes _____ Seconds _____	Total Seconds _____	x0.2	_____
	TOTAL SCORE		_____
13. Dress Code Violation (10% penalty)			_____
	TOTAL SCORE		_____

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE PRESCRIBED COURSE WILL RESULT IN A DISQUALIFICATION OF THE CONTESTANT.

North Carolina FFA Association Truck Driving Diagram

