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

The superintendent for this event is Mr. Jason Davis, State FFA Coordinator, Department of Agricultural and Extension Education, NC State University, Box 7654, Raleigh, NC 27695-7654 Phone: 919.513.0216 Fax: 919.513.3201 Email: jason\_davis@ncsu.edu

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 (PDA’s) 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.

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 following awards will be presented annually at the state FFA convention provided sponsorship is available:

State Winner

*First place plaque*

Second Place   
 *Second place plaque*

Third Place

*Third place plaque*

**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. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ x1 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Blow horn to signal completion of the course.

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.

