



2025-2028 APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION

Florida Trucking Association will select professional truck drivers to become part of the Florida Road Team. This elite group will have the opportunity to travel the state bringing the trucking industry's message to civic organizations, business and professional associations, schools, and the motoring public in general.

This is a three year commitment (2025-2028). There may be an ability to renew for a second term (2028-2031).

ELIGIBILITY

1. Nominee must be Florida-based, currently employed full-time as a professional truck driver with a Florida commercial driver license (Class A CDL). Nominee must have a minimum of 10 years of CDL experience and five years driving for current employer.
2. The nominating company must be a dues paying member in good standing with FTA.
3. Nominee must have an outstanding safety record.
4. Nominee, if selected, must be willing to spend up to two days per month traveling and speaking on behalf of the trucking industry in Florida. This commitment is for three years, with the FTA and nominating company given the option to approve a second three-year term.
5. Nominee must be able to speak publically and convincingly communicate their commitment to safety and courtesy, and by their appearance and demeanor, represent the trucking industry's best.
6. The nominating company must be willing to pay travel expenses and continue to provide salary and benefits to the professional driver while he/she is traveling for FTA.
7. The nominator must be a motor carrier executive with the authority to commit his/her company's support for the program. The nominator should also confirm before completing the application that the candidate is willing to participate in the program.
8. If the candidate becomes ineligible at any time during the selection process, it is the nominator's responsibility to notify FTA as soon as possible.
9. ***If a member of the team is unable to participate in three functions or assignments during his/her tenure, the member may be removed from the team. FTA reserves the right to remove a member from the Road Team if he/she violates the Florida Road Team Code of Conduct.***

To nominate a driver, please complete the official nomination form and return to:

Florida Trucking Association 350
E. College Ave.
Tallahassee FL 32301

-or-

elizabeth@floridatrucking.org

All nominations must be received no later than Sept. 12, 2025.

PROCEDURE

The Florida Road Team consists of professional drivers from around the state. **Once the nomination process is closed, a group of finalists will be selected and notified by September 19, 2025. *These finalists will be required to participate in a Share the Road presentation (observer only), personal interview and meeting in Lake Mary, November 3-5, 2025.*** A panel of industry and government professionals will interview and recommend for selection the candidates for the 2025-2028 Florida Road Team. Once selected, new members of the Florida Road Team must participate in a:

- Half-day orientation and media training program sponsored by FTA on November 4. This is as part of the Fall Round-Up in Lake Mary. (New members will be presented at the FRU luncheon. Registration for FRU is complimentary for all Road Team finalists.)
- Hands-on training and participation in at least two official Florida Road Team events with a current Road Team member.
- Assisting the organization with community outreach to secure Florida Road Team events in their community.



Nomination/Application

Using this form, please describe the person you wish to nominate as a candidate for the Florida Road Team, the group of professional truck drivers who will serve as spokespersons for the trucking industry from 2025-2028. Your comments may extend the space provided.

Nomination Checklist (please submit all): ☐ Completed form ☐ Current MVR Candidate Name:

____ Preferred Name: _____

☐ Male ☐ Female

Company: _____

Terminal address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Supervisor's Name: _____ Phone: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Candidate Home Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email: _____

Active on social media?: ☐ Facebook ☐ Instagram ☐ LinkedIn ☐ Other: _____

CANDIDATE'S DRIVING RECORD

How many years has the candidate been a professional truck driver? _____ Years with current Company? _____

How many safe miles (with your company) has the candidate driven? _____

To the best of your knowledge, has the candidate ever been involved in an accident while driving a truck? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please indicate date and describe seriousness of accident(s). _____

List past three employers (include employment dates):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

CANDIDATE'S BACKGROUND (Use additional sheet if necessary for these questions.)

Please list any honors or awards (industry, company, community, association) the driver has won.

☐ State Truck Driving Champion ☐ National Truck Driving Champion ☐ State TDC Grand Champion

☐ National TDC Grand Champion ☐ FTA Driver of the Month ☐ FTA Driver of the Year

Other: _____

Tell us why you would like to represent the trucking industry as a member of the Florida Road Team *(use an additional sheet if necessary).* _____

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NOMINATOR'S STATEMENT

Please tell us why you think the candidate would make a good spokesperson for the Florida Road Team. Is he/she good public speaker? Does he/she work well with people? Does this person demonstrate a concern for the trucking industry's image? How? What other things should be considered in reviewing this person's nomination? *(Note: supporting materials, such as copies of awards or testimonials, should be included.)*

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Nominator's Name: _____

Nominator's Employer: _____

Business Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Signature: _____

Work Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Mail or email this nomination form and all required documents to:

FL RT Nomination, FTA, 350 East College Ave., Tallahassee FL 32301

Email: Elizabeth Emmanuel: elizabeth@floridatrucking.org