



NATIONAL
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PROFESSIONALS

SAFETY RECOGNITION AWARDS **PROGRAM FACTS**

Q. Do I have to be a National Association of Landscape Professionals Member to enter the Safety Recognition Awards Program?

A. No. We invite all landscape and lawn care professionals to enter the program.

Q. I'm a member of the new NALP Safe Company Program. Do I have to enter the Safety Recognition Awards Program?

A. As a member of the NALP Safe Company Program, you pledged to commit yourself and your company to improving safety awareness. Entering the Safety Recognition Awards Program is one of the items you committed to by signing your pledge to safety, and it is a great way to let your employees know that you care about their safety and health. And remember as a NALP Safe Company Program participant you receive a complimentary safety awards entry for your first year of participation in the program.

Q. What are the requirements for entering the Safety Recognition Awards Program?

A. Complete and return the application along with the OSHA Form 300A Summary of Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses and your year-end vehicle loss run report from your insurance agent.

Q. Where can I find the OSHA Form 300A?

A. The form is available on the NALP website landscapeprofessionals.org on the Safety Recognition Awards page which you will find under the Safety tab.

Q. I have heard of the OSHA Form 300A but what is a year-end vehicle loss run report, where do I get one, and why is it necessary?

- A. The year-end vehicle loss run report is available from your insurance agent and it states how many, if any, accidents you have had over the past year. This report is an excellent objective scale for accessing safety in your company, so it is an integral measure in the awards judging process. All information is confidential.

Q. What is an Experience Modification Rate (EMR) and where do I get one?

- A. Your Experience Modification Rate (EMR) compares your workers' compensation claims experience to other employers of similar size operating in the same type of business. Most employers who have an annual premium in excess of \$3,000 will receive an EMR. Your EMR is calculated by the National Council on Compensation Insurance (NCCI) or, in some states, and independent agency. Your independent insurance agent can advise you where yours is calculated.

Q. Our company has experienced a high rate of accidents and injuries this year. Should we still enter the Safety Recognition Awards Program?

- A. YES! Entering the Safety Recognition Awards Program will show your employees that you care about their safety. The program can be used as a tool to measure your safety record from year to year. In addition, companies that show a substantial increase in their safety record from one year to the next are eligible for the employee and fleet safety improvement awards.

Q. I want to enter the Safety Recognition Awards Program. Should I submit my company's branches individually?

- A. YES, each branch is eligible to receive ALL of the various safety awards. Include entry form, OSHA 300A Summary Form, and vehicle insurance loss run report for each branch.

Q. What are the award categories?

- A. The award categories are as follows:
- Best of Best (Overall Safety Achievement-Gold Level status for three consecutive years)
 - Overall Safety Achievement Award – Gold Level
 - Overall Safety Achievement Award – Silver Level
 - Overall Safety Achievement Award – Bronze Level
 - No Vehicle Accidents
 - No Injury or Illnesses
 - No Days Away from Work