

OFFICIAL RULES – Nominate Your Fire Department Contest

These are the Official Rules of the Nominate Your Fire Department Contest (“Contest”). The Contest is sponsored by Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company (“Nationwide” or “Sponsor”), 1100 Locust St., Des Moines, IA 50391. The Contest is administered by National Education Center for Agricultural Safety (“NECAS” or “Administrator”), 8342 NICC Dr., Peosta, IA 52068.

NO PURCHASE IS NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN THE CONTEST. A PURCHASE WILL NOT INCREASE THE ODDS OF WINNING.

ELIGIBILITY

This Contest is open to legal residents of the contiguous United States and the District of Columbia excluding Alaska and Hawaii except where prohibited, who are at least 18 years of age at the time of entry. **No purchase is necessary.**

Employees and agents of Nationwide, its affiliates, subsidiaries, advertising and promotion agencies, and any entity involved in the development, production, implementation, administration or fulfillment of the Contest (all of the foregoing, together with Nationwide, collectively referred to as “Promotion Entities”) and their immediate family members and/or those living in the same household of such persons, whether related or not, are not eligible to enter the Contest.

HOW TO ENTER

The Contest begins on January 1, 2025, at 8 a.m. CT and ends April 30, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. CT (“Contest Period”).

To enter, provide your name, mailing and email address, the name and address of your local fire department or emergency rescue team, and one page describing how the local fire department or rescue team and rural community would benefit from grain entrapment training and rescue tube, and how they plan to share the tube and training with nearby departments (“all of the foregoing, collectively referred to as “Nomination”). Completed nominations can be submitted online, emailed to, agcontest@nicc.edu or mailed to:

NECAS
Grain Bin Safety Ag Contest
8342 NICC Dr
Peosta, IA 52068

Limit (1) entry per person, per email and mailing address. Nominations received from any person, email or mailing address in excess of the stated limit will be void.

Entry constitutes consent to participate in Contest and for Nationwide to obtain, use, and transfer the entrant’s name, address, and other details for Contest administration purposes. Nationwide will not be responsible for lost, incomplete, illegible, late, misdirected, stolen, or mutilated entries; technical or mechanical malfunctions; errors in the Official Rules, in any related ads or materials; or processing error. Nationwide can void the entry of any entrant who it believes has attempted to tamper with or impair Contest administration, security, fairness, or proper play.

WINNER DETERMINATIONS

Nominations will be reviewed by representatives of Nationwide and NECAS. Nominations will be judged based on the following criteria:

1. Potential impact and benefit grain entrapment training and rescue tube will have on rural community and local fire department or emergency rescue team.
2. Ability to share the tube and training with nearby fire departments or emergency rescue teams.

In the event of a tie, winners will be randomly selected from all qualified Nominations, as determined by Nationwide and NECAS, in their sole discretion. The number of winners and prizes will not be known until the contest closes.

Winners will be notified via email or mail on or about July 31, 2025.

PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

1. One (1) rescue tube, valued between \$3,000 to \$5,000 (depending on manufacturer, vendor, etc.) and
2. One (1) six-hour grain entrapment rescue training session, at winner’s location, valued at up to \$5,000 per winner.
3. If the winner elects, they would receive only the One (1) six-hour grain entrapment rescue training session, at winner’s location, valued at up to \$5,000. Election made at time of entry.

One (1) prize per entrant. The total approximate retail value of the rescue tube and grain entrapment training prize is between \$8,000 to \$10,000; however, the exact value depends upon the location of the winner, the prize election, and the donations available at close of the contest. The prize is non-refundable and cannot be exchanged for cash. Prize winners cannot assign or transfer their prize. Winners are responsible for all taxes and fees associated with prize receipt and/or use.

If requested, winners must execute and return an Affidavit of Eligibility, Liability Release and (where legal) Publicity Release within three days of notification. Failure to do so may result in disqualification, forfeiture, or award to an alternate winner.

RELEASE

All entrants agree to release and hold harmless Nationwide and NECAS and their respective subsidiaries, affiliates, suppliers, distributors, advertising/promotion agencies, and prize suppliers, and each of their respective parent companies and each such company's shareholders, officers, directors, employees, members, assigns and agents (collectively, the "Released Parties") from and against any claim or cause of action, including, but not limited to, personal injury, death, or damage to or loss of property, arising out of participation in the Contest or receipt or use or misuse of any prize.

GENERAL RULES

The Contest is governed by and subject to the laws of the state of Iowa and the United States.

All federal, state, and local laws and regulations apply. Void where prohibited by law. Prize winners may receive an IRS 1099 form for the value of their prize. By participating in the Contest and/or accepting any prize, entrants grant the Promotion Entities, including Nationwide, permission to use their name, likenesses, and image in connection with the Contest for purposes of advertising, publicity, and promotion purposes, without further compensation to the entrant, unless prohibited by law. Entrants agree to be bound by the Official Rules and the decisions of the judges, which are final and binding on all matters relating to the Contest. The Promotion Entities and Nationwide are not responsible for any typographical or other errors in the printing of the offer, administration of the Contest or the announcement of the prizes, or for lost, late, misdirected, damaged, incomplete, or illegal entries.

The Promotion Entities, including Nationwide, reserve the right at their sole discretion to disqualify any entrant found to be (a) tampering or attempting to tamper with the entry process or (b) violating the Official Rules.

DISPUTES/GOVERNING LAW

Except where prohibited, as a condition of participating in this Contest, entrant agrees that any and all disputes that cannot be resolved between the parties, and all claims and causes of action arising out of or connected with this Contest, or any prize awarded, or the determination of winners shall be resolved individually, without resort to any form of class action. Further, in any such dispute, under no circumstances will entrant be permitted to obtain awards for, and hereby waives all rights to claim punitive, incidental, or consequential damages, or any other damages, including attorneys'

fees, and entrant further waives all rights to have damages multiplied or increased.

All issues and questions, rights, and obligations of entrant in connection with this Contest shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of Iowa, without giving effect to the conflict of laws rules thereof.

PRIVACY

By entering the Contest, you agree to Nationwide's use of your personal information, as described in the Nationwide Privacy Policy, located at <http://nationwide.com/nw/privacy>. **Your information will be shared for marketing purposes by the Nationwide family of companies.**

WINNERS LIST

For a list of Prize winners, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: NECAS, Grain Bin Safety Contest, 8342 NICC Dr., Peosta, IA 52068. Requests received after 11/30/25 will not be honored.

Abbreviated Rules

No purchase necessary. A purchase will not increase your chances of winning. Legal residents of the contiguous United States and District of Columbia, excluding Alaska and Hawaii, 18 years and older. Void where prohibited. Enter contest by: 4/30/25. Contest ends: 4/30/25.

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