



COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

# NATIONAL ROADEO 2026 DRIVER GUIDE

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2026  
Omaha,  
Nebraska**



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## What is the National Roadeo?

Bus drivers from across the United States come to one location to demonstrate their skills and commitment to safety on a controlled course. There are **three driving competition courses based on vehicle type: 1) BOC/Cutaway, 2) Bus (29-30'), and 3) van**. All participants are given ample guidance with pre-meetings and materials.

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## Where is the Roadeo?

Every year CTAA hosts the National Roadeo in a new city to align with the organization's annual conference and EXPO. In 2026, the National Roadeo competition will be held **May 10, 2026 in Omaha, Nebraska** in the large parking lot north of (and associated with) the CHI Health Center Omaha Convention Center.

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## Competition Elements

- Safe and Accurate Driving Skills in challenging obstacles
- Pre-trip inspections\*
- Wheelchair securement and passenger sensitivity
- Written exam (administered the day before the competition)



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## Why participate?

Driving in the CTAA National Roadeo presents opportunities for recognizing ability, enhancing skills, and networking within the community transit industry. BOC drivers can place from First to Fifth, while 35' Drivers can place from First to Third. There are two special awards: the Most Spirited Driver Award and the Driver of the Year.

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REGISTER NOW



[WWW.CTAA.ORG/  
ROADEO-2026](http://WWW.CTAA.ORG/ROADEO-2026)

## How can drivers and systems sign up?

Register at [www.ctaa.org/roadeo-2026](http://www.ctaa.org/roadeo-2026)

Specific driver name does not need to be added until April 2026! Drivers do not need to have won their state Roadeo to participate. Funding sources like National RTAP can help agencies pay for drivers to attend. Questions about registration? Reach out to [events@ctaa.org](mailto:events@ctaa.org), or the Roadeo Coordinator Kelly Shawn, [kshawn@ctaa.org](mailto:kshawn@ctaa.org)

## MORE INFO

- **Can my family and colleagues watch?** There is a dedicated spectator area, all are welcome! There are concessions for purchase, and seating. This is a safety competition, so the course itself is closed to spectators. This year the Roadeo Awards Ceremony is not ticketed, all are welcome to watch.
- **What is the exact schedule?** Drivers will be given a detailed schedule after they register. The written exam and other prep happens the day before the course competition. Check with your supervisor if you don't receive our emails, or reach out to [events@ctaa.org](mailto:events@ctaa.org) with any questions about the National Roadeo.

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