



IRU DIPLOMA OF HONOUR

Drivers engaged in the national or international transport of passengers or goods by road.

REGULATION

1. According to the provisions of the present IRU regulations, a distinction is awarded to drivers engaged in the national or international transport of passengers or goods by road who have done honour to their profession through their safe driving, the loyalty they have shown towards the company employing them and their moral qualities.

The same goes for a person in charge of a transport company who drives his/her own vehicles.
2. The "IRU Diploma of Honour" distinction comprises the award of a diploma and a specific IRU lapel pin to each driver:
 - a) who has been regularly and continuously active in his/her profession for at least 20 years, to the complete satisfaction of his/her employer;
 - b) who has been in the service of the same transport company for at least 5 years (the length of time that the company belonged to the national association/corporate member and the national association to the IRU does not enter into consideration when calculating the driver's years of service);
 - c) who has driven a minimum of 1,000,000kms as a professional driver in national or international road transport;
 - d) who has not caused, by his/her own fault, a serious road traffic accident (with bodily harm) during the past 20 years;
 - e) who, during the past 5 years, has not committed a serious violation of traffic, customs or administrative regulations.
3. The IRU Diploma of Honour is awarded once a year to drivers nominated by the IRU members. It is awarded once only to the drivers nominated, i.e. the first time the aforementioned criteria are met and transmitted by the IRU member.
4. Applications made through the IRU members are to be submitted to the IRU Secretariat General in Geneva by means of the relevant questionnaire **by 31 August each year**.
5. The IRU Presidential Executive decides on the attribution of the distinction. In choosing the candidates, the IRU Presidential Executive will take into account all the elements for appreciation. No appeals may be made against its decision.
6. The IRU Diplomas of Honour are sent or handed over to the members by the IRU Secretariat General. It is the task of the IRU members to present the IRU Diplomas of Honour to the nominees.
7. IRU members who nominate drivers for the IRU Diploma of Honour approve the fact that this IRU Diploma is given in recognition of the professional and moral qualities of the drivers in question, and that those who receive it do honour to the profession by improving its image. For this reason, the IRU members who nominate drivers commit themselves to calling attention to these drivers by public relations actions on the occasion of the presentation of these "IRU Diplomas of Honour" in the framework of their General Assembly or a specific national ceremony.

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