

SAFE Awards FAQs

ELIGIBILITY

Do I have to be an NAHB member to apply? You must be an NAHB member (or an employee of a member company) to both nominate an individual and be selected to win a Safety Award for Excellence (SAFE). However, if you are entering in the following categories, you **do not** need be an NAHB member: Specialty Trade Contractor Safety Program of the Year, Siding Contractor Safety Program of the Year, or Job-Site Safety Institute Innovative Safety Idea of the Year.

I entered the SAFE Awards previously. Can I enter again? Yes, unless you or your company received a first place SAFE Award in the past two years, you or your company will be eligible again two years after the last award received in the same category. For example, if you received the award in 2019, you would be able to apply for an award in 2022 in that same category.

Can I enter the in more than one category? Yes. For example, you may apply in the Single-family Safety Program of the Year and Remodeler Safety Program of the Year categories if you perform both types of work. If you are unsure which categories are best suited for your project, contact the NAHB staff member listed on nahb.org/SAFE.

My company had a fatality on a project in the past twelve (12) months. Can I enter in the SAFE Awards? No, the candidate is not qualified and should reapply in the future.

My company had a finalized "Repeat" or "Willful" OSHA citation in the past three (3) years. Can I enter in the SAFE Awards? No, the candidate is not qualified and should reapply in the future.

CATEGORIES

What should I do if I'm not sure which category best fits my entry? If you are unsure which categories are best suited for, contact NAHB staff member listed on nahb.org/SAFE for consultation. If the judges feel your submission belongs in another category, they will move it during judging. Your entry will not be penalized.

Can I change my entry to a different category after submitting? Yes, you may change your entry to a different category until the deadline listed on nahb.org/SAFE or by contacting the NAHB staff member listed on this website.

JUDGING

How are the winners selected? Judging is conducted by a panel of three (3) industry experts, including builders, consultants, and safety professionals from across the country. Judges are provided all information submitted in the application and closely examine each applicant's commitment to construction safety and health. Judges may select winners in any or all categories, and judges may award more than one of each award per category in the event of a tie. Awards may not be given in a category if the entries submitted do not meet the quality requirements.

RECOGNITION

How will winners be recognized? Join us at the NAHB/Builders Mutual Safety Award for Excellence (SAFE) Event at the [International Builders Show \(IBS\)](#) to recognize each year's winners. In addition, throughout the year, be on the lookout for:

- An engraved trophy with the option to purchase duplicates for your company and/or project team.
- Facebook recognition on the NAHB Facebook page.
- Winners highlighted on [nahb.org/SAFE](#).
- National press release announcement.
- Recognition at the NAHB International Builders' Show® (IBS) NAHB/Builders Mutual Safety Award for Excellence (SAFE) Event.
- Additional social media exposure through multiple NAHB social media outlets, including @NAHBhome.

PHOTOS AND OTHER MEDIA

What type of photos are requested in the application? All entry forms require submission to upload a Company Logo and a minimum of two photos demonstrating your successful efforts to advance safety in the home building industry.

Do I need to include high-resolution images with my entry packet? Please only submit high-resolution images with your submission.

Can I include photo captions? Yes, brief captions detailing what is shown are recommended.

Is there a photo release form? You cannot complete the application without agreeing to the terms and conditions governing the uploaded content.

I have a video of my project. Can I submit this? No.

Do I need to submit safety plans or other information? No, we are not accepting company safety programs or other relevant information, except as what is specified as part of the application process.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

What if the online process isn't working? If you have difficulty with the online form or webpage, please nahbsupport@nahb.org or call 1-800-368-5242.

What if I start my submission and cannot complete it? If you need to pause in the middle of the process, save your work and return to it later. Completed applications must be received on or before the current **APPLICATION DEADLINE listed on [nahb.org/SAFE](#). Applications are not considered final until it is fully submitted.**

Who do I contact if I have questions while submitting? Contact the NAHB staff member listed on [nahb.org/SAFE](#) or call 1-800-368-5242.

Can I mail my application? In an effort to be environmentally friendly, cost-effective and more efficient, we will only accept electronic entries. Go to www.nahb.org/SAFE to enter.

What exposure do winners receive?

- An engraved trophy (duplicates available for purchase)
- Highlighted on nahb.org/SAFE
- Recognition on the National Association of Home Builders Facebook page and other NAHB social media outlets
- Recognition at the NAHB/Builders Mutual Safety Award for Excellence (SAFE) Event held at the International Builders' Show (IBS)
- National press release announcement from NAHB

SPONSORSHIP



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OTHER SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

NAHB invites you to become a sponsor of this prestigious awards program. Your high-profile sponsorship will put your company in front of decision makers from across all segments of the construction industry. To learn more about the benefits of sponsoring the NAHB/Builders Mutual Safety Award for Excellence, please email Andy Flank at aflank@nahb.org or call him at 800-368-5242 x8059.

For more information on NAHB's safety programs, visit www.nahb.org/safety.