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2026

Safety Excellence Award

The **AGC NYS Safety Excellence Award** recognizes and honors AGC NYS Members for having and implementing outstanding safety programs. Awards will be given to AGC NYS Members with excellent safety programs that meet the stringent minimum criteria, criteria which exceed industry standards, and also demonstrate excellent safety practices in the field.

Award recipients will be presented with the AGC NYS *Hard Hat Plaque Award* at this year's **Annual AGC NYS Construction Industry Conference**. They will also be recognized for their efforts in the winter edition of the AGC NYS *Cornerstone* magazine.

If your company is interested in applying for the AGC of America Safety Excellence Award, **YOU MUST APPLY FOR THE AGC NYS AWARD**. Winning applications of the **AGC NYS Safety Excellence Award** will be reviewed for qualifications for the AGCA Safety Excellence Award but are not automatically enrolled. The AGCA award is based on your company's severity rate according to the National Average chart that is included with this packet. You must include those numbers on this application as well. The AGCA Safety Excellence Award program information will be mailed later this year.



Criteria for Eligibility for the AGC NYS Award:

- A current Workers Comp experience rating (EMR) less than or equal to 1.0.*
- Accident prevention and training programs.*
- An enforcement/disciplinary policy for employees as well as subcontractors.*
- An Incident Rate 75% below the national BLS Construction Rate for your size company.**
- OSHA history (September 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026) report with zero citations.*

(An OSHA citation that has been issued, but contested and withdrawn, or any pending citations that have not been finalized, within the time frame will be considered as qualifying for zero citations. Include documentation if this is the case.)

*Documentation required.

Based on the US BLS incidence rate for Construction (NAICS 23). **The calculation to use for your company's rate is: number of incidents x 200,000; divided by number of hours worked.

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Honoring AGC NYS Members for exceeding industry safety standards.

The AGC NYS Safety Excellence Award is given for excellent safety and loss prevention programs achieved through commitment, training, and innovation.

How to Enter:

- ★ Complete an application form and return to AGC NYS by 5:00 p.m., Friday, October 30, 2026. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** Please include a logo hardhat (with inner webbing removed please) with your application.
- ★ Enclose check or money order for \$400.00 (application fee) made payable to AGC NYS.
- ★ Submit a typed summary of your safety program (**no more than two pages**), addressing all of the criteria that apply and why you believe your safety program deserves an award.
- ★ Submit **documentation** for all criteria listed on the pre-qualification checklist.

How Winners Will Be Selected:

- ★ When all applications have been received and criteria verified, all the information will be reviewed by an independent jury. The jury will determine the award winners based on their eligibility criteria, program summary, and supporting documentation.
- ★ **Only winners of the AGCNYS Safety Excellence Award will be eligible to compete for the national AGC of America Safety Excellence Award. AGC NYS will send a nominating letter if you choose to apply.**

How Winners Will Be Announced:

- ★ Winners will be notified in November.
- ★ Awards will be presented at the AGC NYS Construction Industry Conference in December.
- ★ AGC NYS will prepare and issue press releases to requested media outlets.
- ★ Winners will also be honored in the winter edition of the *Cornerstone* magazine.

Pre-Qualification Checklist:

Judging will be based on the following:

- ☐ A copy of your company's Enforcement/Disciplinary Program **with supporting documentation of its use.**
- ☐ A letter from your insurance carrier stating your current Workers' Comp policy EMR.*
- ☐ OSHA Lost Workday and Incidence Rates for the previous 4 years.**
- ☐ OSHA 300A Summary Logs (or equivalent) for the previous 4 years.
- ☐ A copy of your OSHA history, printed from the OSHA website.
- ☐ Total number of hours worked by year for the previous 4 years.***
- ☐ A representative sampling of employee/management training (e.g., toolbox talks, OSHA 10/30 Hour, etc.)
- ☐ The program or method (including documentation) your company uses to identify and correct hazards.
- ☐ Typed description of your safety program (no more than two pages), addressing all of the criteria that apply and why you believe your safety program deserves an award.

*Your company's Experience Rating (EMR) must be equal to or less than 1.0 for your current policy.

**Incident rate must be 75% below the national BLS for your industry sector and company size.

***Break down by the individual years.



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Only one award per company. For the **AGC NYS Award**,
select the appropriate size of your company based on number of employees.

Company Size Category	Employees	National BLS Rate	75% Below
☐ Group 1	1 – 10	1.4	0.35
☐ Group 2	11 - 49	2.6	0.65
☐ Group 3	50 - 249	2.6	0.65
☐ Group 4	250 - 999	1.7	0.43
☐ Group 5	1000+	1.2	0.30

To qualify for the
2026 AGC NYS Safety
Excellence Award,
your company incident
rate must be at or
below this number for
your company size.

For the **AGC of America Award**, select the appropriate group for your company based on hours worked.

1 Building	Work Hours	2 Highway	Work Hours
☐ Group 1	225,000 and up	☐ Group 1	325,000 and up
☐ Group 2	90,000 to 224,999	☐ Group 2	120,000 to 324,999
☐ Group 3	40,000 to 89,999	☐ Group 3	50,000 to 119,999
☐ Group 4	0 to 39,999	☐ Group 4	0 to 49,999
3 Heavy/Industrial		4 Municipal – Utilities	
☐ Group 1	325,000 and up	☐ Group 1	150,000 and up
☐ Group 2	80,000 to 324,999	☐ Group 2	40,000 to 149,999
☐ Group 3	0 to 79,999	☐ Group 3	0 to 39,999
5 Associates / Specialty Contractor			
☐ Group 1	325,000 and up		
☐ Group 2	80,000 to 324,999		
☐ Group 3	0 to 79,999		

For the AGC NYS Safety Excellence Award, use the following calculation: # of incidents x 200,000; divide by total hours worked. My company **incident** rate is: _____

For the AGC of America Safety Excellence Award, use the following calculation: # of days away from work x 200,000; divide by total hours worked. My company **severity** rate is: _____

Company Name _____ Contact Person _____

Title _____ Email _____

Company Address _____ City _____

Zip _____ Phone (_____) _____

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

**Please package your application in a
3-ring binder for review. Thank you.**

Applications must be received by Friday, October 30, 2026. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Send to: AGC NYS, 2026 Safety Excellence Awards • 10 Airline Drive • Suite 203 • Albany, NY 12205



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National Summary Report 2025

Group	Reports	Hours	Lost Days	Incident Rate
1 Building Division				
1	183	199,986,681	147	0.15
2	157	28,915,779	41	0.28
3	143	11,523,640	16	0.28
4	126	3,679,487	9	0.49
	609	244,105,587	213	0.17
2 Highway Division				
1	79	97,551,928	133	0.27
2	73	19,834,683	80	0.81
3	42	5,071,961	21	0.83
4	47	1,881,700	12	1.28
	241	124,340,273	246	0.40
3 Federal & Heavy Division				
1	20	33,747,709	27	0.16
2	31	6,000,319	6	0.20
3	38	1,916,602	4	0.42
	89	41,664,630	37	0.18
4 Utility Infrastructure				
1	35	32,184,900	22	0.14
2	34	5,237,202	7	0.27
3	46	1,397,819	10	1.43
	115	38,819,922	39	0.20
5 Associate/Specialty Division				
1	152	194,459,438	158	0.16
2	160	24,925,678	52	0.42
3	136	4,590,009	16	0.70
	448	223,975,126	226	0.20
Grand Total	1,502	672,905,537	782	0.23