

MEDIA STATEMENT

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Provincial Driver Of The Year Competition

KwaZulu-Natal Department of Transport will from Saturday to Sunday (14/08/08-15/08/08) be hosting the **Provincial Driver of the Year Competition. This event will be held at uMdloti RTI Station and will commence at 09:00 am until Sunday after lunch.**

The rational behind this competition is to enhance and improve the driving skills of heavy motor vehicle drivers in order to prevent and reduce crashes on the road. This competition serves as an incentive for the business sector to invest in advanced driver training methods which will assist their heavy motor vehicle drivers to be safe on the road.

The competition goes through four phases which are, In-House at which employers select drivers within their respective companies, they thereafter go through to Regional competition then qualify for Provincial stakes. The Final phase is the International competition which takes place every two years.

"The purpose of this competition is to promote road safety among drivers and ensure that the drivers comply with all the rules of the road, this will encourage the drivers to be more cautious when driving", said Cele.

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