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### **THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT TO HOLD PROVINCIAL DRIVER OF THE YEAR**

The Department of Transport will hold the Provincial Driver of the year competition in Mkhondeni, Pietermaritzburg this weekend (12-13 October 2013).

The main purpose of the Driver of the Year Competition is to improve driving skills of heavy motor vehicle drivers (truck drivers).

Drivers are tested on many levels including their skills behind the wheel, knowledge of road safety rules and regulations and the ability to spot safety hazards during a pre-trip inspection.

Drivers who came in the top three positions in the Regional legs of the Driver of the year competition will participate in the provincial competition. These drivers who come from various companies and Municipalities will be participating in seven various categories.

The regular training of drivers remains a key priority for the Department of Transport as most road accidents occur due to a lack of driver experience by many motorists.

The Head of Department Mr Sbu Gumbi will give a keynote address at the competition.

#### **Details of the event:**

**Date: 13 October 2013**

**Time: 09h00**

**Venue: Mkhondeni testing grounds**

Ends.

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