

Mid Eastern Region, NMRA The Favorite Train Award

1) What is the award?

The Favorite Train Award is a popular vote award and will be included on the Popular Vote ballot. The award recognizes an entry in the contest room in the form of an entire train.

2) Sponsors:

The Favorite Train Award is sponsored by the Tidewater Division, MER.

3) Who can compete for the award?

Any NMRA/MER member in good standing who chooses to enter an appropriate model in the official NMRA/MER sponsored judged model contest at a MER convention may compete for this award. A member can also compete for this award by bringing an appropriate model to be judged for the Achievement Program only. For this specific contest however, the entry does not have to be a judged entry as this is a popular vote contest award.

4) Modeling Parameters --- definition and limits of the what qualifies a model for the award

The entry in the contest room shall be in the form of an entire train.

5) How the winner of the contest will be chosen:

The winning model, a complete train, will voted on via a popular vote ballot within the contest room. Ballots will be made available and voting will be available throughout the time period that the models are available for viewing. The ballots will be tallied at the conclusion of the judging activities of the contest room. In case of a tied,, will choose the winning entry.

6) The President's Award (operations and award):

Once the winning entry has been decided, the sponsors of the award will contact the winner. At the official MER awards ceremony, the Favorite Train Award will be presented to the winner. The award will be handed out when the other special awards are distributed. This award will be presented by a representative of the sponsor's. If this is not possible, the MER General Contest Chairman, or someone he or she designates, can announce and hand out the award.

7) Sponsors (Organization and Contact persons) and Funding:

The Favorite Train Award is sponsored by the Tidewater Division, MER and funded by the MER

8) Time limit for this award:

The sponsors of this award understand that in order for it to be placed into the special awards given at a MER sponsored convention this award must be approved by the MER Board of Directors. If approved, the award can be given at every MER sponsored convention over a two-year period. In order to continue presenting this award, the sponsors must seek renewal approval from the MER BOD every two years.