



6S Excellence Award

Background:

In 2007, a group of NTMA shop apprentices toured Switzerland as guests of the Swiss Embassy. Upon return, they commented on the cleanliness and orderliness of the Swiss facilities relative to US shops. Based on this feedback, the NTMA Education and Technology Teams committed to improve the perception of American manufacturing by promoting and recognizing excellence in member shop organization and efficiency. The 6S Excellence Award was created.

Purpose:

To improve the perception of American manufacturing by promoting and recognizing excellence in member shop organization and efficiency.

How it works:

- NTMA companies apply for the award by submitting a self-assessment based on criteria that demonstrate best in class practice in the six S's: 1. Safety, 2. Sort, 3. Set in Order, 4. Shine, 5. Standardize, 6. Sustain, 6.
- Certificates are awarded for 5 years based on self assessments submitted. If recipient receives 5 in row, then they get a trophy. The trophy is modular such that additions could be added for 10, 15, 20 year achievements.

Sponsorship Opportunity:

- Award naming rights
- Conference exposure via introductions, etc.
- Promotional exposure: web, print, blogs, emails that promote and support the award.



Technology Excellence Award

Background:

The NTMA Technology Excellence award was development of an NTMA Technology Team initiative to bring value to members.

Purpose:

To strengthen the precision contract manufacturing industry by recognizing and sharing excellence,

How it Works:

- Members who demonstrate advanced application of a technology or business practice that results in improved business performance are eligible to be nominated for this award.
- Nominations submitted to Tech Team from: Chairman, Chapter Execs, Regular members, and associate members.
- Nominations are to be electronically completed and submitted on web site (*Task: Tech team must develop nomination form*).
- Winners are selected by the Technology Team as judged against selection criteria: (business impact, innovation, longevity, etc)
- Winners presented at Fall Conference general assembly – (*by Chairman and sponsor???*)
- Winners present a brief description of their awarded technology or practice at the NTMA Fall Conference. (*Introduced by sponsor???*)

Sponsorship Opportunities:

- Award naming rights
- Conference exposure via introductions, etc.
- Promotional exposure: web, print, blogs, emails that promote and support the award.