

Rules and Eligibility

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Not all Toastmasters achieve their DTMs. As of 2002, an average of 790 DTMs per year were awarded worldwide. When one considers that well over three million people have joined Toastmasters since its inception, the completion rate of the entire educational series is impressive.

In addition to achieving the DTM designation, service to the district and its members is an important part in bringing to life the mission of Toastmasters. For those who consistently go above and beyond, an award for lifetime achievement provides appropriate recognition. Because of the distinction associated with the award selection, recipients should represent the “model” Toastmaster of whom overall performance inspires others to emulate. It also highlights cohesiveness and unity in achieving goals that support the mission of Toastmasters International.

AWARD NAME AND ESTABLISHMENT

“Dean” Roy Graham’s contributions to several districts in Region 2 and to the entire international organization were immeasurable. He dedicated 50 years of service to Toastmasters. He served as a District Governor in 1956 and as an International Director from 1958 to 1960. The legacy of service and leadership that he left behind embodies Toastmasters International’s core values: integrity, respect, service and excellence. The 1989-90 District One Council approved the establishment of the award and the criteria for eligibility and selection.

AWARD SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Award Selection Committee will be composed of:

1. Current members of the Executive Committee
2. Previous available recipients of the RDG Lifetime Achievement Award

Toastmasters who are eligible for the Award shall not be members or chairman of the Selection Committee. Eligible members, who otherwise qualify for committee membership, yet wish to participate as a member of the Selection Committee, must disqualify themselves (in writing) for consideration. A Past District Governor appointed by the District Governor shall chair the Award Selection Committee. A Quorum for the Selection Committee shall consist of 1/3 of the total number of members available indicated in each item (1) and (2) above. ***Selection requires a 2/3 vote of those present and eligible to vote.***

AWARD RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA

To select the recipient(s) of the award, the Selection Committee members shall:

- (1) Confirm that each nominee meets the minimum Eligibility Criteria.
- (2) Review the service record of each nominee, with particular emphasis on the year(s) of district-level service that qualified each individual as eligible for consideration.
- (3) Determine that each nominee on behalf of Toastmasters accomplished some notable achievement or the District related to the Distinguished District Program or other district management objectives.
- (4) Determine that each nominee exemplifies a professional image as representative of Roy D. Graham. Such professionalism includes dedication and commitment to the ideals and mission of Toastmasters showing selfless service and sportsmanship like conduct at Toastmaster functions.

Roy D. Graham Lifetime Achievement Award

AWARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Old System – DTM received prior to July 1, 1999	New System – DTM received after July 1, 1997
<p>The applicant must have:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Completed all five educational levels of certification, with certificates received from TI World Headquarters for CTM (10), ATM (15), ATM-B (15), ATM-S (15), and DTM. 2) At least ten consecutive years in Toastmasters before July 1st of the year he/she is seeking the award. 3) Served at the district level in District One for at least one additional full year. The following roles qualify: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Member of the District Executive Committee b) Committee Chairman appointed by the District Governor. <p><i>The additional year of district service cannot be in the same administrative year in which the last level of certification was achieved.</i></p> <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATM = Able Toastmaster • No time limit is necessary to complete programs • No substitutions allowed 	<p>The applicant must have:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Completed all seven educational levels of certification, with certificates received from TI World Headquarters for CC/CTM (10), ACB/ATM-B (10), ACS/ATM-S (10), ACG/ATM-G (10), CL (Competent Leader), AL (Advanced Leader) and DTM. 2) At least ten consecutive years in Toastmasters before July 1st of the year he/she is seeking the award. 3) Served at the district level in District One for at least two additional full years. The following roles qualify: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Member of the District Executive Committee b) Committee Chairman appointed by the District Governor. <p><i>The additional year of district service cannot be in the same administrative year in which the last level of certification was achieved.</i></p> <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATM = Advanced Toastmaster • No time limit is necessary to complete programs • No substitutions allowed
	Additional Requirements
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) One additional CTM/CC or ATM/AC (10 Speeches) 2) 10 Additional Presentations or Seminars: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Keynote or similar type speech at District, Regional or International Conference. b) Educational seminar at Area level or above c) District sponsored Club Officer Training events d) District sponsored events e) S & L Modules f) Youth Leadership 3) 4 Additional Outside Speeches <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) May be work related b) Community

Notes:

- If individual received Able TM Bronze under old system and then receives Advanced TM Gold in the New System this will fulfill the RDG Requirement in the NEW System, provided the DTM was obtained under the OLD System.
- If individual received Able TM under old system and then receives Advanced TM Silver and Advanced TM Gold in the New System he will be required to do 10 additional manual speeches (CTM or Advanced Manual) to fulfill the RDG Requirement in the NEW System, provided the DTM was obtained under the OLD System.