

FIRST Tech Challenge Award Ordering Instructions

Trophies and Banners

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Awards from Sports Awards

Sports Awards is a trusted provider already used by many of our partners for **FIRSTLEGO League (FLL)** and **FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC)** awards.

This collaboration has **streamlined the awards ordering process**, making it easier for partners, individuals, and teams to get the awards they need—quickly and efficiently.

Ordering Trophies, Medals, Plaques, Plates and Pins

1. Visit the [FIRST Tech Challenge](#) page on the Sports Awards website.
 - a. If you have never used Sports Awards before, you will be asked to create an account to continue.
2. Choose the appropriate award “kit” based on your event type and size or select individual items from the catalog.
 - a. If you are only looking for a specific trophy, or a replacement award and do not want to order a whole “kit”, use the [Individual Awards page](#).
3. Fill in the requested information, estimate shipping, and click on Checkout.
 - a. If you’re paying with a **Purchase Order (PO)**, Select the PO option.
 - i. Send a copy of your purchase order, referencing your order number to orders@firstinspiresawards.com.
4. Once your order arrives, **open all packages immediately** to inspect the order for any issues.
 - a. Is anything missing? Do all the trophy plates look right, etc.
 - i. If there is a problem with your order, please email [Laurie Bandas](#) and include a detailed explanation of the issue.
 - ii. Be sure to CC your GFO manager and [Rosy Bainton](#) so we can be made aware of/help you solve the issue.

Reminders:

- Order [season pins](#) for Qualifying and League Tournaments to reach the most teams and to maximize team recognition.
- Place all orders **at least 4 weeks in advance** of your event to avoid delays.
- There is also a direct link to our Banner vendor, **SLI**, available from the Sports Awards Trophy Store website. Look for the "**FTC Banner Store**" option in the top menu *after* you complete your trophy order!

Ordering Championship and Premier Event Banners

1. Visit the banner shop: https://shopsli.com/ftc_banners/shop/home
2. If you don't already have one, create an account
3. Enter your **Region** or **Event Name**, select the correct **season year**, and specify the number of banners needed.
4. Add items to your cart.
5. Click on "Proceed to secure checkout" and fill in all the required information.
6. Complete payment to finalize your order.

Reminders:

- Banner orders enter production on the **1st of each month**.
- Production takes **2 weeks**, plus shipping time.
- For **international shipping**, select "**Pickup**" during checkout; you'll be contacted for a custom shipping quote before production begins.

New this Season: Team Replica Banners

The **Team Replicas** section of the *FIRST* Tech Challenge Banner Store allows teams to order additional copies of their Championship or Premier Event banners with their team information included. Team Replicas are a great option when a team needs **more than one banner** for use at events, outreach activities, their workspace, or other team activities.

To view available Team Replica options and place an order, visit the [Team Replicas section of the FIRST Tech Challenge Banner Store](#).