

2017 Gloucester Christmas and Holiday Parade Entry Form

DEADLINE: November 12, 2017

To ensure the parade is an amazing experience, a maximum of 60 units will be allowed.

PARADE DATE

Saturday, December 2, 2017
Line Up: Main Street Center
3:00 PM

ORGANIZATION MEETING

Wednesday, November 29, 2017
Colonial Courthouse
7:00 PM

THEME:

All entries should be decorated in a holiday theme.

GENERAL RULES FOR PARTICIPATION:

- The parade is an "ALL FORWARD MOTION" event with no planned stops. Performing groups should choreograph routines accordingly. Parade Marshalls have the authority to manage the gap between entries.
- State law prohibits ANY objects (i.e., candy, balloons, food, etc.) being thrown from parade units. Walkers may HAND out items to spectators at the street curb.
- A minimum distance of 15 feet between entries should be followed at all times.
- Drivers of motorized units must possess a valid Driver's License.
- Drivers' vision to the front and sides (180 degrees field of view) should not be obstructed.
- No gunning or revving of motors.
- Riding on truck gates in the down position in any manner is prohibited.
- Participants may not ride perched on top of pickup truck bed sides or on car hoods.

FLOATS (flatbeds or towed trailers):

- The above General Rules for Participation apply.
- Tow vehicles shall have all windows in the down position as communication with the driver is essential. Please note that amplified music may compete with the driver's attention.
- Trailers shall have operational brake lights, be a maximum of 10 feet wide, and maintain a ground clearance of at least 10 inches. Trailer hitch mechanisms shall be friction pinned or locked in the closed position when attached to the tow vehicle.
- Participants may not jump onto or off any parade apparatus, moving or stopped, at any time during the parade.
- Parade participants are required to operate all wheeled vehicles/equipment in established parade zone only, and maintain a buffer of at least 6 feet from all spectators.

ENTRIES WITH ANIMALS:

- The above General Rules for Participation apply.
- It is the responsibility of the parade participant to provide cleanup of all animal waste. This includes in the lineup area, during the parade, and at disassembly.

Disregarding these rules will be grounds for removal from the parade and/or suspension from future parades.

Thank you for helping us create a safe and enjoyable parade experience for everyone.

If you EMAIL your registration, a confirmation of receipt will be emailed back to you, if you do not receive one, we have not received your entry. Parade Line-up will be emailed on Friday, November 17.

Questions? Call Parks, Recreation & Tourism at (804)693-2355 or prrt@gloucesterva.info

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Group/Organization Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State/Zip: _____

Day Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

TYPE OF ENTRY: (no changes without notifying the Parade Committee)

WALKING UNIT (including bicycles)

Number of Walkers _____ Youth _____ Adult _____

Do you have animals? Yes _____ No _____ Number & type: _____

MARCHING UNIT

Number in Unit _____ Marching Band? Yes _____ No _____ Drill Unit? Yes _____ No _____

EQUESTRIAN UNIT

Number of Horses _____ Number in walking cleanup crew _____

VEHICLE UNIT – maximum of 10 vehicles per group

Number of Vehicles _____ Type of Vehicle _____

FLOAT (any vehicle & trailer) Commercial _____ General _____ Children _____

Total length of Unit _____ Note: Maximum allowed trailer length = 20 ft

Number riding on float _____ Walkers? Yes _____ No _____ How Many? _____

Will you have music, singers/performers, horns or loud engines? No Yes

Please explain below: This info is important to the assignment of your entry in the parade order.

Please provide a description of your entry FOR THE PARADE EMCEE TO READ TO THE CROWD: Who are you and what is your message to the crowd?

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