

The City of Daytona Beach Shores

CHRISTMAS PARADE Theme: A Coastal Holiday SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2022

**Staging Starts 2:00 PM
Parade Starts 3:30 PM**

Basic Parade Rules & Guidelines

Our first concern is the Safety and Care of Children, Parade Participants and the Spectators along the parade route. Our second concern is to provide an enjoyable experience for Participants and Spectators alike to promote Christmas and other winter holidays without distractions of other subjects.

For the purpose of this parade, a Unit can be a Float, Vehicle, Walkers or a combination of all 3, representing 1 Club, Business or Organization.

1. All parade entries must be decorated in an appropriate, tasteful and festive manner to promote the holiday spirit and this year's Parade theme. All floats, vehicles, boats, tow units, etc. must be decorated to reflect only the Parade theme.
2. Nothing may be thrown or sprayed from the Floats, Vehicles or by the Participants. Only walkers may hand out items! Our children are very precious to us — please do not encourage them to come to the road for any reason. Handouts must be safe and of high quality.
3. Rider's legs & arms should not hang over the side of any Floats or associated mechanical units.
4. Riders are **NOT** permitted to jump on and/or off of any Float or mechanical Unit during the parade.
5. All Floats must have handholds, or similar device, for Riders who are standing on the Float and appropriate seating for all others riding on the Float.
6. All Participants must follow directions from authorized Parade and Law Enforcement Officials. This includes all uniform Public Safety Officials and Parade Officials.
7. Units must maintain approximately 50' spacing between each other, and maintain a forward movement unless directed otherwise by Officials, or it becomes unsafe

to do so. If a unit becomes disabled, it shall be pulled to one side to allow the rest of the Parade to proceed. Re-enter the Parade with the assistance of the Parade Official.

8. Each Unit must clearly display the sponsoring name.
9. Only properly licensed drivers with liability insurance will be allowed to operate motorized vehicles within the Parade.
10. This is a City sponsored event. The City has the right to approve or refuse entry into the parade any application which is determined not to be in the public interest. All applications will be reviewed by the City's Holiday Parade Committee and subject to City approval.
11. Animals Entries: must have a clean-up system to ensure proper disposal of waste products. The safety of all persons and animals must be ensured at all times. Animals must be current on vaccinations.
12. Drivers are cautioned to be on the alert for children, pedestrians, any overhanging trees or utility lines in the area. No child under 13 years old may ride on Floats or in the back of vehicles without adult supervision.
13. Time to be in Position: We will be prejudging entries in certain criteria again this year. All entries must be in position by 3:00 PM to be included in the prejudging activities. Performances will not be judged at this time.
14. No Entry May Feature Santa Claus: The City provides a Santa for the Parade. Therefore, no other Santa may be featured. Thank you for your cooperation!

FLOATS

For the purpose of this parade a Float is:

1. Any display built on or around a flatbed trailer (hay wagon) being towed manually or by a motor vehicle. Any display that is self-motorized (traditional parade float).
2. A flatbed truck and/or pick-up truck.
3. All Floats must display their Title, Sponsor, or Organization name on the Float itself, or have it preceded by walkers carrying it on a sign or poster.
4. Floats must not exceed 12' in width, 15' in height and 30' in length excluding the tow vehicle (which must conform to those size restrictions also). All wheels must have protective fenders.
5. Tow vehicles must have proper tow bars, safety chains and brake lights.

6. Tow vehicles are not required to be decorated.

VEHICLES

1. No Unit may have more than 6 vehicles, and all vehicles must have properly working emergency equipment. (horn, brakes and brake lights).
2. With the exception of *Antique* and *Specialty* vehicles, all vehicles must be decorated and include the name of the Sponsor or Organization.
3. All vehicles and drivers must be licensed and properly insured.
4. Walking Participants will walk to the side of parade vehicles and not directly in front of the vehicle.

WALKING UNITS

Walking/Marching Units will continue in a forward motion unless directed otherwise by Parade Officials, or it becomes unsafe. Walking/Marching Units will not reverse their direction unless previously approved by Parade Officials. Walking/Marching Units (including dancing units) must be able to walk 1.6 miles. Solely at the discretion of the City, Walking/Marching Units initiating an unauthorized stop – causing a delay in the parade and possible hazardous conditions – will not be allowed to participate in future parades.

CRITERIA FOR JUDGING

Judged on originality and creativity in projecting the parade theme.