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RULES and ENTRY FORM

Christmas Parade 2016

City of Folly Beach

Saturday, December 10, 2016

The Annual City of Folly Beach Christmas Parade is a unique opportunity to participate in a community holiday event, as citizens, visitors and locals line up along Center Street while floats, marching bands and community associations show their holiday spirit. There is *no* fee, but registration is **required**.

Floats, walking groups and other entries are encouraged to be creative, imaginative and fun in their design and theme and stay within the *holiday spirit*. All entries must be decorated. Throwing any items, beads, candy or other giveaways and consuming alcoholic beverages while participating in the parade is **strictly forbidden**. Items can only be *handed* out and only by people *walking* in the parade.

The parade will be staged westerly-facing along West Arctic, then begin at West Ashley and West 2nd, heading east on West Ashley, turning left/northbound on Center and ending at East Huron (see attached diagram). From there, floats can go down Huron and stay on the island, leave the island directly over the Folly River Bridge or teardown in the boat landing. Staging begins at 10 a.m. The parade begins at 1 p.m., sharp.

Drinking of alcoholic beverages is not permitted by any parade participant and all floats are to remain in the center of the parade route.

Judging will take place in front of City Hall along the parade route and prizes will be given for Most Original, Best Band/Music Group and Best Spirit of the Season (winners to be announced at a later date).

Entries accepted on a first come, first serve basis and space is limited.

How to Enter:

- 1) Complete the entry form.
- 2) Sign entry form and liability waiver.
- 3) Return all forms to:

smims@cityoffollybeach.com

Fax to 843.588.7009

OR Steve Mims

Deputy Director of Public Safety

PO Box 48

Folly Beach, SC 29439

Email confirmations of your entry acceptance and float number will be sent by November 25, 2016. Keep this page for your reference. Do not return it with your entry form.

Entry Form
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IMPORTANT: Application must be completed in full to be allocated a space. Any business or organization represented in/on your entry/float must be included in this section. Failure to abide is cause for removal from lineup on parade day.

All parade entrants will be contacted via email with float position and safety rules on by November 25, 2016. Please provide two (2) email addresses that will be valid through the month of December.

E-MAIL 1 _____

E-MAIL 2 _____

1: CONTACT INFORMATION

Organization Name(s): _____

Contact Name: _____ Primary Number: _____ Cell: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Name/Cell # for event day contact in parade lineup area: _____

2: ENTRY CATEGORY: (Check One)

Business Community Organization School Cheer/Dance Media Church/Religious

3: MUSIC: Let us know if you will have any of the following to assist with lineup placements:

Live Solo Singing Choir Singing Band Solo Instrument Taped Music Community

4: WALKING GROUPS: (Includes Bands, Drill Teams, etc.) Approx. Number of People in Group _____

Description of Group: _____

5: RADIO STATIONS ENTERING VANS:

Number of Vans (Two max) ____ Do you want your 2 vans together in the parade? ____ Yes ____ No

Will you be playing music during the parade (seasonal music only)? ____ Yes ____ No

6: SPECIAL NEEDS: Please let us know if your entry requires special consideration due to entrants with disabilities. _____

7: LIVE ANIMALS: ____ YES ____ NO If Yes - Please email smims@cityoffollybeach.com and provide details.

8: SPECIAL REQUESTS: (Requests will be considered but are not guaranteed.)

9: Vehicular or Towed Unit Information: 15' height limit

It is important that we know the type of vehicle(s) you are entering in the parade so space can be adequate to accommodate your entry.

Please indicate the number of each type in your entry. If you are entering a truck and flatbed or boat, please put the number 1 in both boxes.

A large walking group is considered an entry.

Limit of 3 per entry: 1 golf cart +1 truck + 1 boat = 3; 1 truck + 1 boat+1 ATV = 3

___ Large/Full Size Pick Up Truck ___ Small Pick Up Truck ___ SUV ___ Van ___ Car ___ Convertible

___ Motorcycle/ATV ___ Boat on Trailer ___ Flatbed/Trailer (_____ length in feet)

___ Marchers/Walkers (_____ number of ppl)

OTHER

___ Media Satellite Truck ___ Radio Truck ___ Fire Truck Modern ___ Fire Truck Antique

___ Garbage Truck ___ Bucket Truck ___ Ambulance ___ Emergency Vehicle

___ Golf Cart ___ Go-Cart ___ Antique Car ___ Moped / Bicycle

___ Skateboarders ___ Other (*Describe*) _____

City of Folly Beach Parade Rules and Liability Waiver
This page must be signed and returned

There is only one Santa, and he rides on a fire truck at the end of the parade! It is confusing to small children to see more than one Santa riding on floats; therefore no one may dress as Santa on your float or in your vehicle.

The following guidelines help ensure the quality and safety of the parade and allow as many organizations as possible the opportunity to participate. Read carefully and abide by the rules!

1. Each entrant is allowed a **maximum of three units**, indicated on registration form.
2. All entries, including golf carts and cars, **must be decorated** in the spirit of the event.
3. No swerving of floats or motorized vehicles. Stay in the **center** of the parade route. No drinking alcohol by any participants.
4. Entrants must display lineup number on the front and organization name on each side of entry.
5. All entries must stage on West Arctic, near the starting point at West Ashley and 2nd.
6. **NO ITEMS ARE TO BE THROWN FROM FLOATS/VEHICLES AT ANY TIME.** Giveaways must be handed out by walkers. No hard candy or choking hazard items can be handed out.
7. Riders on floats cannot get on and off during the parade at any time, nor can floats be stopped along the route.
8. All entries with children must have adults riding/walking with them throughout the entire event.
9. Walkers alongside vehicles must walk at least 10 feet from the side of vehicle.
10. Use of fire or open flames is not allowed.
11. No firearms, real or replicas, are allowed.
12. ALL wheels of motorized vehicles **MUST** keep in contact with the ground at all times. Anyone doing wheelies will be pulled from the parade immediately.
13. Each motorized vehicle must carry liability insurance and be operated by a licensed driver.
14. No one will be allowed to ride on the hood or roof of any vehicle.
15. No political campaigning is allowed on entries in the parade.
16. The undersigned agrees that all participants may be photographed or videotaped and these images may be published in an outlet used to promote or publicize the event.

Entries must observe all applicable rules and regulations and follow all instructions from Police and parade officials. The City of Folly Beach reserves the right to remove any entrant from the parade, at its discretion.

LIABILITY WAIVER: In consideration of your accepting my entry, I hereby, for myself, my child and all participants of my entry, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I, my child, or entry participants may have against the City of Folly Beach and its representatives, successors and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by myself or my child or entry participants at any activity sponsored by these groups. I have read in its entirety the general rules and the entry guidelines for participating in the City of Folly Beach Christmas Parade and agree to accept full responsibility for the compliance of this entry and all participants associated therewith, and for any liability inherent with this entry's participation in the City of Folly Beach Christmas Parade. I understand that if I fail to comply with all the guidelines and rules for participation that my entry will be removed from the parade lineup.

Name of Group or Participant _____

Authorized representative: _____

Print: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

**Return to: Folly Beach Christmas Parade, PO Box 48, Folly Beach, SC 29439 OR
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