



CITY OF FORT OGLETHORPE

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PARADE APPLICATION

(Please print clearly. All parts of this application should be filled out completely.)

Organization Name: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Entry Description: _____

Does your float include: Horses/Animals Children Walking Members Multiple cars/Motorcycles/Bikes/Tractors/Equipment

Dimensions of float with vehicle: Height: _____ Width: _____ Length: _____ # of People: _____

Registration Deadline: November 18, 2023

PARADE RULES

- SAFETY shall be the number one priority for all parade entries.
- The parade will start at **6:00pm on November 25, 2023**. The parade will begin at 402 Battlefield PKWY (in the Big Lots Parking lot). Parade participants **are expected to arrive at 5:00pm** and check in at the welcome tent. Please be on time so that each participant has time to line up for the parade.
- Candy is encouraged for each parade entry, however, **No throwing candy or items from parade entries**. Candy may be handed off, but not thrown.
- Children participating in the parade must be supervised by an adult.
- The driver of every entry must be an adult with a valid driver's license and must comply with all state laws applicable to that vehicle.
- No spinning tires or digging out, or exhibition of speed, no swerving back and forth, and no unnecessary stopping.
- Once the parade begins, everyone shall remain on their parade entry or in their vehicle. Absolutely no jumping on and off floats or exiting vehicles. All walkers and spotters must stay at least an arm's length away from their parade entry, but within the immediate area of the entry.
- Floats should be decorated and appropriate for a Christmas parade. All entries must be decorated in good taste. No profanity or obscene gestures/images.
- NOLIVE SANTA CLAUS ALLOWED AS PART OF YOUR ENTRY/FLOAT.** Only the Santa hired by the City is allowed in the parade.
- Music is allowed as part of your entry. All music and lyrics must be family friendly. No lewd or offensive language of any kind will be allowed.
- Dance groups, bands, and other groups are not allowed to perform routines that will stop the parade for an extended length of time.
- No parade participant will be allowed to have weapons of any kind.
- Political campaigning, statements, or views are not allowed as decoration, in music, or otherwise by any parade participant. However, elected officials that currently hold office may have signs on floats or vehicles that identify them as elected officials **AS LONG AS THE FLOAT OR VEHICLE IS DECORATED WITH A CHRISTMAS/WINTER THEME. No campaign or political materials may be handed out along the parade route.**
- Each entry is liable and responsible for the entirety of the parade entry, including but limited to, the entry participants, animals, vehicles, etc.

By signing this application, I _____ agree that The City of Fort Oglethorpe reserves the right to reject or accept any parade entry for any reason whatsoever, and to determine participation based on suitability for the occasion. The City of Fort Oglethorpe may take photographs and/or video images of entries in the parade for promotional purposes. I understand that by signing this application I am making a commitment to be present, prepared, and on time for the 2023 Christmas Parade. I understand that this is a family friendly event and that if the rules in this application are not followed, my parade entry will be asked to leave. I understand that I am solely liable for my parade entry and anyone participating in my parade entry.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____