

# Greater Manassas Christmas Parade

## Parade Participation Agreement

The Greater Manassas Christmas Parade seeks to provide an annual celebration of the Holiday Season that is both entertaining and safe for all participants and spectators. To achieve those goals it is necessary to have basic rules that govern the event. All Parade Unit Applications must include this agreement, signed by an authorized group leader.

**Please read carefully as the rules and regulations have changed.**

1. The Christmas Parade Committee has the right to establish the Parade theme, determine the number of entries, select and reject participants at its sole discretion, and control Parade operations on the day of the event. All participants must be approved in advance by the Parade Committee.
2. All entries must represent an organized and recognized community, neighborhood or other non-profit group. Each Parade group/unit must be properly identified by a sign or banner carried by a walker or mounted on the front of the unit.
3. Parade entries must be costumed/designed appropriate to the theme of the Parade. All participants in a group/unit must contribute to the theme.
4. All group/unit entries (e.g. bands, scout troops, etc.) must be uniformly dressed to participate in the Parade.
5. Parade participants may not sell, or offer for sale, any commodity, service, food or drink on the day of the Parade.
6. For safety reasons, Parade participants may not throw any item toward spectators including, but not limited to candy, flowers, leaflets or promotional items.
7. Vehicles that are not an integral part of carrying out a group's Parade theme may not accompany the group/unit along the Parade route. Adults carrying coats or other items for participants must walk behind spectators along the route.
8. For safety reasons, children under the age of 8 shall not walk in the Parade. They are invited to ride on floats or other vehicles that are integral to carrying out a group's Parade theme.
9. Performance and time restraints: **\*\* IMPORTANT:** This section only applies if you checked on the application that your group/unit will be performing for the Judges. ***SEE NEXT PAGE!***
10. The Official Parade Santa Claus is the only Santa allowed in the Parade.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, an authorized representative of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print name) (Print name of Group/Unit)

do hereby agree that the group/unit I represent, and all of its members/representatives who participate in the Greater Manassas Christmas Parade, will abide by the terms of this Participation Agreement. I further agree that failure to abide by this agreement may result in removal from the Parade formation and/or not being accepted for participation in future Parades.

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Signature

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Date