

America 250 Patriot Parade

Fourth of July Parade

Official Safety Rules, Regulations & Acknowledgement Form

This document must be read, agreed to, and signed by all parade participants. Submission of a parade application constitutes agreement to comply with these rules.

Safety Rules & Regulations

General Conduct

1. All participants must follow the instructions of parade officials, law enforcement officers, fire personnel, and event staff at all times.
2. Parade units must maintain a steady pace and remain in their assigned lineup position.
3. Alcohol, illegal substances, or impaired behavior by any participant is strictly prohibited.
4. All entries must remain family-friendly, respectful, and appropriate for all ages.

Float & Vehicle Safety

5. All vehicles and floats must be in safe operating condition, including brakes, steering, and tires.
6. Drivers must possess a valid driver's license and be experienced with the vehicle they are operating.
7. Riders must remain seated or securely positioned while the parade unit is in motion.
8. No jumping on or off any vehicle or float while it is moving.
9. Parade officials require a fire extinguisher on all motorized units and floats.

Prohibited Items & Activities

10. **No open flames, fireworks, pyrotechnics, sparklers, smoke devices, or explosive materials are permitted.**
11. No weapons of any kind, including replicas or prop weapons, are allowed.
12. Generators, amplified sound systems, or special effects must be disclosed in advance and approved.

Distribution of Items

13. Candy, flyers, or giveaways may only be handed directly to spectators.
14. Throwing items into the crowd is strictly prohibited.
15. Children distributing items must be supervised by an adult at all times.

Advertising & Messaging

16. **No blatant advertising is permitted.** Business names or logos may only appear if tastefully incorporated into the patriotic theme and approved by the parade committee.
17. **No political messages are allowed.** This includes political parties, candidates, campaign slogans, ballot issues, or partisan statements.
18. Parade entries must focus on patriotism, American heritage, Independence Day, and the America 250 theme.

Animals (If Applicable)

19. All animals must be under control, properly trained, and suitable for a public parade environment.
20. Handlers are responsible for cleanup and animal safety.

Sound & Music

21. Music and sound levels must remain at a reasonable, family-friendly volume.
22. Music selections must be appropriate for all ages.

Enforcement & Liability

23. Participation is at the entrant's own risk.
24. The America 250 Patriot Parade Committee is not responsible for injury, loss, or damage.
25. Parade officials reserve the right to deny entry, reposition, or remove any parade unit that violates these rules or creates a safety concern.
26. All decisions by parade officials are final.

Rules Acknowledgement & Agreement

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree to comply with all Safety Rules and Regulations of the America 250 parade committee

Signed _____ Date _____