

Wheaton Fourth of July Parade Contract

Please inform all of your participants of the rules listed below. The theme for this year's parade is "America the Beautiful." Thank you for your cooperation! Above all else, have a great time and enjoy the parade! The Wheaton Park District reserves the right for all group placement and lineup in the parade. Our intent is for participants and spectators to have fun and enjoy the event.

Rules for all entries

1. Throwing candy along the parade route is prohibited. Children could run in front of vehicles to pick up the candy on the street. Walkers must hand out candy or approved novelty items at the curbside in a safe manner. Your participation in next year's parade will be denied if your group is identified as having ignored this rule.
2. People providing handouts must not slow down the parade and must keep up with the rest of their entry. They are not allowed to handout items in front of or behind other entries.
3. No water guns or super soakers are allowed along the parade route. The police may confiscate them.
4. A large number of corner marshals will be present along the parade route to ensure safety and to keep the parade moving. You are required to follow their instructions. Be respectful and cooperative with these volunteers and the police who will be assisting them.
5. The Wheaton Park District is not responsible for any of your entry's actions.
6. Your entry is contingent upon the return of a signed parade contract and your entry fee.

Rules for political entries

1. Political candidates entries are limited to 15 people per candidate, entrance fee and 1 vehicle or float. The limit to the number of people includes banner carriers, walkers, float riders, drivers and technical support. Any extra supporters will be required to march with the entry of their political party.
2. No negative campaigning is allowed. The Fourth of July is about celebrating. Protesting can be done at other venues.

The rules above are based on community feedback. It is strongly suggested that your entry follow the spirit of these rules and not try to work around them. If your entry pushes the limits of these rules, your constituents will assume that the rules have been broken.

Rules for businesses

1. In the spirit of the holiday, do something in your entry to celebrate the day, remembering that the theme is "America the Beautiful." Don't just put a truck in the parade. It must be decorated.
2. Business entries are allowed a maximum of 3 non-float related vehicle



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Entry Fees

Community group/Non-profit group: \$30

(church, neighborhood & summer activity)

Business, each political office holder or candidate, or political party: \$150

Wheaton City office holders and candidates: No fee

I acknowledge that I have read and agree to the rules set forth by the 2010 Wheaton Park District Fourth of July Committee. I understand that non-compliance with these rules may determine my entry's eligibility to participate in the 2011 Wheaton Fourth of July Parade.

All lines must be filled in:

Signature _____

Name (Please print) _____

Date _____

Title _____

Entry Name _____

Thank you for submitting your parade registration. Your entry is contingent upon the Wheaton Park District receiving this signed contract, a parade entry form and the appropriate entry fee. Please make checks payable to Wheaton Park District. Please return this form along with an entry form and the appropriate entry fee by **June 16, 2010** to:

Wheaton Park District
Fourth of July Parade
102 E. Wesley Street
Wheaton, IL 60187

Questions? Please contact **Sherry Krajelis** at **630-510-5051** or at **skrajelis@wheatonparks.org**.

