

CENTRAL CAROLINA JAYCEES' SANFORD CHRISTMAS PARADE

GENERAL RULES

1. Entrants must observe all applicable rules and regulations and follow instructions from police and parade officials or be barred from the parade. The Central Carolina Jaycees' Parade Committee reserve the right to remove any entrant from the parade either prior to assembly, while assembling, or any time during the parade.
2. Entrants without a signed registration form with the Parade Rules box checked by the deadline, November 22, 2017 will not be allowed to participate.
3. Vehicles will not be allowed in the parade unless pulling a float or providing transportation for pageant entrants. Exceptions will be considered for antique vehicles and other organized specialty car groups with prior approval.
4. **NO MATERIALS, CANDY INCLUDED, MAY BE THROWN ALONG THE PARADE ROUTE. WALKERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO HAND MATERIALS TO SPECTATORS.**
5. No units may stop forward motion for performances except marching bands. This stop may not exceed 90 seconds.
6. A space of 50 feet between each unit will be enforced. All units are required to close gap between units when instructed by parade officials. Failure to do so may warrant removal from the parade.
7. Alcoholic beverages are forbidden on any float, in any vehicle, or on the person of any participant. Participants consuming alcohol prior to or during the parade will be removed from the lineup. All city, county and NC State statutes concerning the consumption of alcoholic beverages will be strictly enforced by the police before, during and after the parade.
8. Drivers of any and all vehicles in the parade areas must possess a valid driver's license, be at least 18 years old, and possess all liability vehicle insurance.
9. Livestock, reptiles, wild and domestic animals shall not be in the parade unless special written approval by the Central Carolina Jaycees' Parade

Committee is obtained. If approval is granted, all horses must have someone to clean up, if necessary, along the parade route.

10. Use of high intensity sound making devices is strongly discouraged. Sound of any type must be approved by the Central Carolina Jaycees' Parade Committee and must be at a compatible sound level. **Only Holiday themed music will be allowed.** Parade officials have the complete authority in this matter and reserve the right to withdraw any unit that does not comply with their instructions to turn down or turn off sound when instructed to do so. Failure to comply with the officials' instructions will result in immediate removal from the parade and jeopardize future participation.
11. The Central Carolina Jaycees' Parade Committee reserves the right to withdraw any unit of which costume or performance does not meet the Christmas parade rules and regulations or conform to the standards of reasonable public taste and fit the parade theme.
12. Failure to appear on parade day without prior notification to parade officials, or entries that do not comply with the rules and regulations, jeopardize future participation in the Sanford Christmas Parade.
13. **Political campaigning is not permitted.**
14. The Central Carolina Jaycees' Parade Committee's decision regarding all entries is final.
15. The Central Carolina Jaycees' Parade Committee does not accept the responsibility for travel, food, or lodging expense of any unit.
16. Application fees are non-refundable for accepted entries. Each entry must pay the appropriate fee.
17. The Central Carolina Jaycees' Parade Committee reserves the right to accept or decline **any** entry.

FLOATS

1. Only vehicles pulling floats or providing transportation for parade entries will be allowed in the parade. Exceptions will be considered for antique vehicles and other organized specialty car groups with prior approval. Vehicles that are pulling floats should be incorporated as much as possible into the float and decorated accordingly. Only car/motorcycle clubs may enter multiple vehicles for the price of one entry. Five motorcycles are the maximum for one entry fee, and three cars are the maximum for one entry fee.
2. All entries must be decorated according to a Christmas theme. All banners must be neatly lettered and legible.
3. NO decorations and or float construction material may protrude from the side of the float. All electrical devices must be properly grounded.
4. Participants must be costumed according to the parade theme, with **no participant dressed as Santa Claus.**
5. No participants may jump on a float to ride and not interfere with any other unit in any way. Float capacity will not be exceeded. No participants will dismount from a float during the parade route. Participants will not have body parts, particularly legs and feet, extending past the sides, front or rear of the float. This is an extreme safety hazard.
6. **The Central Carolina Jaycees' Parade Committee will secure Santa Claus for the parade. No other Santas are allowed to participate. Anyone dressed as Santa Claus will be barred from the parade.**

MARCHING/WALKING UNITS

1. All marching units must maintain forward motion. Routines that cause gaps will not be permitted. Stopping or reversing motion will result in removal from the parade and will jeopardize future participation. Only Christmas theme music will be allowed.
2. No unit may stop forward motion to perform except marching bands. Performance stops may not last more than 90 seconds.
3. If for any reason a gap of greater than 50 feet is created, marching units must increase their pace to close the gap.
4. All members of any marching unit should be at least 10 years old or accompanied by an adult. Participants must be suitable costumed with no participant dressed as Santa. Walking groups must be dressed in uniform that easily identifies walkers as a part of the same group.
5. No vehicle may accompany marching units without written approval. The addition of a vehicle will increase the parade entry fee.

LINEUP

1. All entries will be assigned a line-up number and receive further instructions about the parade upon receipt and approval of the application. Line-up numbers will not be received until **THE DAY BEFORE, OR THE DAY OF THE PARADE.**
2. Entrants must be at their line-up number no later than 6:30pm on the night of the parade. **Failure to be in place by 6:30pm will result in removal from the parade.**

3. All staging must take place at St. Luke UMC on Wicker Street. **NO non-parade vehicles will be allowed along the line-up route!** Participants should meet at St. Luke and move to your line-up spot as one unit.
4. The line-up route will be closed to traffic beginning at 6pm and will not re-open until after the parade ends. You should use roads other than Wicker Street (such as US1 or Carbonton Road) to reach the staging area from downtown Sanford after 6pm.

ROUTE

1. The parade will start at the corner of Carthage and Wicker Streets. It will run from Wicker Street to Steele Street, Steele Street to Carthage Avenue, Carthage Avenue to Park Avenue, Park Avenue to Tryon Street, and then wrap back around the corner to Wicker Street.
2. **No one is allowed to direct parade traffic unless designated by the City of Sanford or the Central Carolina Jaycees.** Any parade entrant who attempts to stop or direct traffic will jeopardize future participation in the Sanford Christmas Parade.

REFUNDS

1. Cancellations made by November 22, 2017 will result in a refund.
2. Any cancellations made for any reason after November 22, 2017 will result in a forfeit of your parade fees. There will be no exceptions.