



RULES AND REGULATIONS

All participants must comply with the following rules and regulations. Please review these carefully with members of your group. The leader of the group is responsible for the behavior of their group and compliance with these rules.

1. All participants must check in at their location with their Division Parade Marshal no later than 12:30 p.m. All participants who arrive after 12:30 p.m. could lose their pre-assigned position and shall be placed at the rear of the parade.

2. The use of any floats, trolleys, convertibles, cars or antique cars must receive prior approval and must be cleaned and decorated appropriately.

All floats will be judged at 1:00 p.m. Be ready for review.

3. All vehicles and drivers must be fully covered by third party liability insurance, and will be required to observe all relevant road traffic and other laws which may apply to a parade on the public highway.

4. No person marching in the parade shall be permitted to carry or display, or cause to be displayed, any sign or other material that identifies him or her as a candidate for any elected or appointed office. *Political candidates may march in the VIP section of the parade, unless they are a member of another participating organization, in which case they may march with their organization.*

5. **All entries must maintain the pace throughout the entire parade route.** Parade marshals stationed along the route are responsible for keeping the pace.

Organizations must follow the instructions of parade marshals who are also responsible for resolving any problematic situations. The decisions of parade marshals are final. **There will be no stopping in review, or participating in interviews...this includes TV stations.**

Should someone wish to be interviewed, they must leave the parade, and their unit will continue with the flow of march. They will then have to catch up with their unit.

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6. For the safety of the spectators of our parade, **no participants will be allowed to THROW anything from the line of march.** Many people in the past were struck by objects (candy, objects with advertisements, trinkets, beads, etc.) thrown from vehicles, wagons, marching groups and floats. In the interest of public safety all such activity will be prohibited. This will protect spectators, and prevent children from running onto the street to retrieve these objects.

7. Participants shall at all times exhibit behavior fitting for a family oriented community event in which children of all age groups participate and observe.

All participants are required to comply with the directions of the parade marshals assigned to their Division. The Allentown St. Patrick's Parade Committee Inc. reserves the right to remove any participant(s) not complying with marshal directions or any of the rules and regulations of the Allentown St. Patrick's Parade, including but not limited to those contained herein.

We thank you for your support, and your participation helps make this a wonderful event for the City of Allentown.

With Appreciation...

The Allentown St. Patrick's Parade Committee, Inc.