



2021 Christmas in the Village Parade Entry Form

Business/Organization: _____

Contact Name: _____ Date Submitted: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Please Check One Category:

- Auto/Truck Less than 25 yrs old
- Auto/Truck/Tractor CLASSIC 20-30 yrs old
- Auto/Truck/Tractor ANTIQUE 30 yrs +
- Misc. Motorized Units – 2 Axle (ATV, UTV, Golf Cart, etc.)
- First Responder Unit – Fire/EMT/Police/Sheriff
- Animal(s)
- Marching Band – High School
- Color Guard/Military Unit
- Tumbling Unit/Cheerleading/Baton Unit
- Float –Commercial/Amateur/Religious
- Pageant Queen/King
- Political Candidate
- Other: _____

All parade participants must be decorated for Christmas. If you do not decorate in theme, you will not be permitted to participate in the parade.

Will your unit be playing Christmas music in the background: ____YES ____ NO

Please describe your vehicle/float in detail: _____

PARADE APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 1, 2021 TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PARADE.

Please drop off or mail the completed application and waiver form to:

Plymouth Improvement Committee
Attn: 2021 CIV Parade Committee
48 West Broadway
Plymouth, OH 44865

PLYMOUTH IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE CHRISTMAS PARADE ENTRY

WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

I, UNDERSIGNED, AS GROUP REPRESENTATIVE, HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL THE RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE Plymouth Improvement Committee's Christmas parade and hereby agree I/we will follow all said rules and procedures while participating in the activities before, during and after the parade.

I, the undersigned, as group representative, hereby release, remise and forever discharge the Plymouth Improvement Committee, its officers and directors, severally or jointly, and the Village of Plymouth, Counties of Huron and Richland, State of Ohio, of any and all liability, claims, actions and possible causes of actions which may occur to any member of the group from every and any loss, damage and injury (including death) that may be sustained while participating in the parade.

I/we assume all risk of bodily injury or property damage that I/we may incur in participating in the Plymouth Improvement Committee's Christmas Parade and I/we hereby, for myself, my child, my heirs, executors, and administrators do hereby expressly and forever waive and release any and all claims against and agree to hold the Plymouth Improvement Committee, its officers and directors, severally or jointly, and the Village of Plymouth, Counties of Huron and Richland, State of Ohio, and all their respective officers, employees, agents, representatives, successors, or assigns of any kind from any claim which may be made for any cause whatsoever arising as a result or in connection with the participation of me or my child in the herein mentioned event.

Representative & Organization Names: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Phone: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return signed form with your Parade Application form to:

Plymouth Improvement Committee
Attn: 2021 CIV Parade Committee
48 West Broadway
Plymouth, OH 44865

OFFICIAL RULES & PROCEDURES

1. All applications must be completed. Incomplete applications will be returned.
2. The Christmas Parade Committee reserves the right to bar or remove from the parade any entry which refuses to follow all instructions from the Parade Officials or Police Officers. Any entry which does not comply with all rules may jeopardize future appearances.
3. The number of vehicles or persons with each unit must be specified in the application and be approved by the committee. Only that number will be allowed to participate.
4. The signed Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement must accompany application.
5. Due to safety reasons, candies or handouts will not be permitted to be thrown or distributed from any vehicle. Please employ the aid of street walkers to distribute these items. There will be no exceptions, and failure to comply will result in immediate removal from the parade and a rejection of parade applications in the future.
6. Livestock, reptiles, wild and domestic animals shall not be in the parade unless special approval by the Parade Committee is obtained. If approval is granted, all horses must have someone to clean up, if necessary, along the parade route.
7. Consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages or illegal substances is forbidden on all entries & participants.
8. To ensure the quality of the parade, please be mindful of gaps between units. 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.
9. 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.
10. Please remember that this parade is designed to entertain families, especially children; it is not a commercial endeavor. All floats are encouraged to display their name or sponsor on the float but not be the focus of the float. Christmas decorations should be the focus of all parade entries.
11. Only Christmas theme 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.
12. The 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.
13. All entrants are responsible for the supplies necessary for the set-up and tear down of their unit.

14. All entrants are responsible for walking/inspecting the route before the parade to make sure their unit can clear any wires, trees, streetlights, corners/turns, etc.
15. No last minute entries allowed the day of the parade. Registration Deadline is December 1, 2021.
16. The Parade Committee reserves the right to accept or decline any entry.

FLOATS

1. All entries must be decorated according to a Christmas theme. All banners must be neatly lettered.
2. Participants must be costumed according to the parade theme, with no participant dressed as Santa Claus.
3. 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.
4. The Parade Committee will secure Santa Claus for the parade. No other Santas are allowed to participate.

BANDS – MARCHING/WALKING UNITS

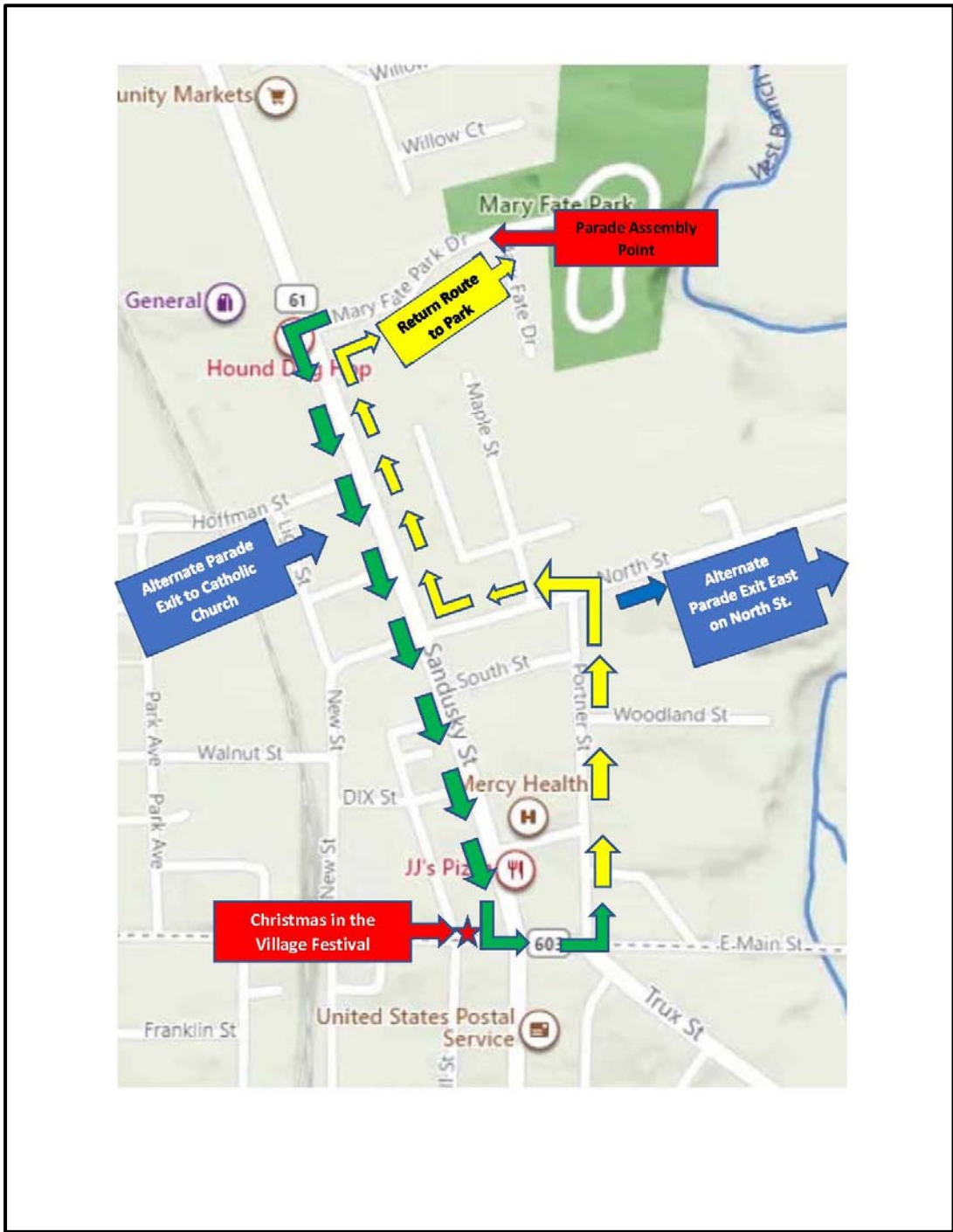
1. All marching units must maintain forward motion. Routines that cause gaps will not be permitted. Stopping or reversing motion will result in removal from the parade and will jeopardize future participation. Only Christmas theme music will be allowed.
2. No unit may stop forward motion to perform except in areas designated by the Parade Committee. 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. Participants must be suitably 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. LINEUP All entries will be assigned a line-up number and receive further instructions about the parade upon receipt and approval of the application.

KINGS/QUEENS

Kings/Queens from any Elementary, Jr. High, High School, College or recognized pageant will be considered for the parade at the discretion of the Parade Committee. Eligible entries for consideration will include private/public, elementary/secondary, college institutions and recognized pageant winners. Kings/Queens from the same school must ride in the same convertible. Kings/Queens are required to furnish their own convertibles. The driver must be at least 18 years old and have a valid driver's license. A maximum of 2 persons per vehicle (driver excluded). Signage must be neat and look professional.

PARADE ROUTE

The parade will start from the assembly area in Mary Fate Park. The parade will travel West on Mary Fate Drive and turn left onto Sandusky Street in front of Hound Dog Hop. The parade will proceed south to the village square to East Main Street where all units will turn left heading East. The parade will then turn left again onto Portner Avenue, pass the Fire Station, and proceed north toward North Street. At North Street, the parade will turn West back towards Sandusky Street. At Sandusky Street, the parade will turn right, heading north back to Mary Fate Park Drive. Walking groups and bands may regroup in the St. Joseph Catholic Church Parking Lot or in Mary Fate Park. All floats and vehicles should continue North onto Sandusky Street and may then travel back to Mary Fate Park to regroup or exit at that time.



HELPFUL HINTS FOR ENTRIES

A float can consist of a low flatbed trailer (farm type), boat trailer (heavy duty), mobile home frame or other suitable frame with pneumatic-tired wheels.

Self-propelled units integral to the float design are acceptable.

The following recommended measurements are approximate Minimum/Maximum:

- Length: 12'/60'
- Width: 7'/12'
- Height: Under 13'
- Flatbed Clearance: 2'/4'
- Skirting Clearance: 1"/2"

Safety Measures:

- Hand holds or other support for personnel standing on the float.
- Float materials and costumes made from flameproof materials.
- A fire extinguisher aboard the float or propulsion unit
- Safety type couplers for all towing connections
- Carefully secured lug nuts on all wheels