

Parade Information and Guidelines

The City of Deltona wants to thank you for your interest in this major community parade. The following information is not meant to be unduly restrictive but is intended to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all those participating and attending this popular event.

Information:

All applications must be received by 5 pm on Friday, December 2nd, 2016. They can be emailed to deltonaparade@deltonafl.gov or dropped off or mailed to: **City of Deltona, Attn: Parade Committee, 2345 Providence Blvd. Deltona, FL 32725.**

When: Saturday, December 17, 2016. Parade begins at 6:00 pm with parade sign-in and staging beginning at 3:45 pm.

Where: Deltona Blvd. beginning at Balsam St (US Post Office) and ending at Stratford Commons (Near Dollar General).

Information:

All Parade Staff will be wearing red shirts and all security staff will be wearing fluorescent colored vests.

Registration Tent:

Registration will be in the Center lane of Deltona Blvd. Parade Participants can be dropped off at 800 Deltona Blvd. Surrounding streets in the staging area will begin closing at 3:30 pm.

- All floats and vehicle entries must enter the staging area from the Enterprise Blvd side of Deltona Blvd side between 3:45 pm to 4:45 pm. The staging entrance will close at 4:45 pm.

Staging:

The Staging area will take place from S Fairbairn Dr. heading towards Balsam St. All float entries will need to enter from the South side of Deltona Blvd. near Enterprise Road.

Judging will be done at the stage toward the end of the parade route. Winners will be announced via email and individually notified of the January City Commission meeting date to attend and receive their trophy.

Disbanding:

There will be a traffic pattern at the end of the parade for the disbanding process. Walkers, floats with passengers, off-road vehicles, and animals will need to **stay to the LEFT** and disband utilizing the sidewalks. Floats without passengers and other vehicles will need to **stay to the RIGHT** on Deltona Blvd and be directed back into traffic by deputies.

- Please note that off-road vehicles and animals will need to be delivered to the staging area prior to the parade and picked up in the disbanding area. Only those vehicles associated with these entries will be permitted to park at the end of Stratford Commons for this reason. (i.e. Horses and off road vehicles will need to be delivered and dropped off at the staging area. Those vehicles transporting the animals or equipment will then need to travel up to Stratford Commons and park there to allow for pickup at the end of the parade.) Participants with Horses/animals must provide “clean up”.

Parade Guidelines, Safety Rules and other Important Information:

- Please visit the website for all parade information: www.deltonafl.gov click on the *Special Events* tab. All participants will be notified of their assigned spot in the parade in advance of the event date.
- The purpose of the parade is entertainment. The Committee does not discriminate against any units based on race, creed, religion, sex, National origin or sexual preference. As a general rule, we do not accept political or social action units. In an effort to not offend our guests, all entrants are expected to perform courteously and in good taste at all times. Unacceptable behavior will be cause for immediate removal and a possible ban of future participation. The City of Deltona maintains all rights to use photographs, motion picture films, and or video tape taken of participants for the purposes of advertising.
- DO NOT include a live Santa or Mrs. Claus in your entry. Santa will arrive at the end of the parade. We don't want to confuse the little ones. We reserve the right to deny entry to any "live Santa".
- Due to this event being an evening parade, **all floats**, to include their tow vehicles should be decorated to include lights. Vehicles and/or floats not meeting this requirement *will be removed* by Parade Staff. Entrants are encouraged to decorate to according to the theme. It is important for applicants to consider in advance how to “decorate” or design their entry to go along with the theme.
- Forward motion at an appropriate speed to keep up with the flow of the parade must be maintained at all times, **this includes walking units**. Entrants wishing to perform will have a maximum of 30 seconds to do so. This is to ensure that the gaps in the parade and stopping of the parade are kept at a minimum.
- **All floats that consist of a tow apparatus and trailer will be required to have 2 designated safety personnel, above the age of 18, on each side of the float wearing a reflective vest. Floats larger than a pickup truck and trailer will need to have 2 personnel on each side for a total of 4 safety personnel. Floats that do not meet these requirements will be removed from the parade by parade staff. You must provide your own vests.**
- All entrants riding on a float or in a vehicle must remain securely within the apparatus. Sitting on railings on the bed of a truck or trailer is strictly prohibited. This is to ensure occupant safety.

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- For safety reasons, **ABSOLUTELY NO CANDY OR GIFTS ARE TO BE THROWN** during the parade. Only walkers with each unit are allowed to distribute any handouts of any kind to the crowd.
 - a. If you are handing out candy and are storing the surplus of candy on your float, only the Safety personnel will be authorized to refill the bucket from the float. Candy should be stored in a location where it is behind the axle of the float to avoid any possible contact with the tire/axle.
- Official “Parade Monitors” will be helping the parade run smoothly and can be identified by their fluorescent colored vests and red “Staff” shirts. Please follow their instructions as they are authorized to enforce all rules.

Rules are subject to change. Notification will be sent out with the appropriate changes to all participating entrants with a submitted entry form. We strive for the safety of all entrants and those who come out to watch the parade. Please contact, Scott McGrath at (386)878-8624 for further questions.