



## King Apple Parade Terms of Participation

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### General Parade Information:

- The Parade is held on Labor Day Monday at 2:30pm.
- The Parade goes on Rain or Shine.
- All entries must be in place NO LATER than 1:00 pm. (Fire Rescue Apparatus no later than 1:30)

### Line-up Information:

- The Parade Lineup will be posted on our [website as soon as it is available](#). ***Please no phone calls – it will be posted.***
- Parade staging information is also available on our website.
- Volunteers will be throughout the lineup area to assist you in locating your position.

### Competitive Judging:

- Competitive judging is held for the Commercial/Business and Non-Profit categories. The judges are festival board members, and the parade staff and/or other community persons.
- Entries must be placed no later than 1:00 pm to be judged. The judges' decision is final, and awards are given to the winner in each category.
- **Criteria include:**
  - Best use of Apples
  - Best use of Theme
  - Originality
  - Attractiveness

### Rules for all Entries:

- Throwing any items from a parade entry is PROHIBITED. Anyone caught throwing items may be removed from the parade route.
- **Handing out anything to spectators on the parade route is prohibited.**
- Due to security concerns, we do not allow enclosed box trucks or trailers. If you have concerns about this issue, please contact the office before the parade.
- **All drivers must have a valid driver's license, which the police department will check before the start of the parade. This rule includes ATVs, golf carts, and other vehicles under power.** All units are to exit ONLY at the designated point.
- No Commercial Entries will be allowed to participate without paying the fee. See the [Parade Application](#) for the amount. All fees must be submitted after completing the application.
- All marching, dancing, or performing arts units must keep moving. Units are not allowed to stop performing routines.
- Floats shall not be wider than 12 feet or above 13.5 feet.

### Professional Leased Floats:

- Floats are supplied by a specialized company and are leased to the Festival. Interested groups can then lease them at our cost.
- All floats have two identification signs and are decorated and pulled by a towing vehicle driven by a professional driver. Please get in touch with the office concerning availability.

### Commercial/Business Entries:

- Entries can be floats, vehicles, or walking entries.
- Please note that all vehicles must be decorated; placing a business sign does not count as being decorated, and thus will not be allowed to participate in the parade.
- The names of the entries should be prominently displayed.
- Commercial entries are entered into our judging process.
- Commercial entries may not participate without paying the fee.

### Political Entries:

- All incumbent local, regional, state, and national elected officials are free to participate. The above will be placed at the beginning of the parade as a dignitary and must ride in a vehicle and *cannot campaign*. If a political official would like to campaign, they will be placed in the general parade and need to pay the \$100 fee.
- Political candidates, who are present and running for an office, are eligible to participate and must pay the \$100 fee.

### Non-Profit Entries:

- This category covers local non-profit groups and there is no fee.
- Entries in this category are eligible for competitive judging.
- The name of the organization must be prominently displayed.

### Bands/Marching Units:

- All local school bands are invited to participate.
- Position in the parade is rotated each year.
- Due to security concerns, **we do not allow enclosed box trucks or trailers**. If you have concerns about this issue, please get in touch with the office before the parade.

### Fire/Rescue Entries:

- The use of sirens or horns is not allowed on the parade route.
- Arrive at the Parade Route **after 1 PM and before 1:30 PM**

### Antique Cars:

- Must be part of an established car club and can only enter the parade as a group, not as individuals. Any individual unit that applies for the parade will be denied.
- Car Clubs are responsible for ensuring all vehicles can move as part of the general parade. There is no pre-parade, and some vehicles will overheat at the slow pace of the parade. If a vehicle breaks down and delays the parade, that car club will not be invited back for future parades.