



Blowing Rock Parks and Recreation

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# 2016 Christmas Parade

Blowing Rock Parks and Recreation invites you to participate in the Blowing Rock Christmas Parade. This year's parade is scheduled for Saturday, **November 26<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m.** Parade line up will begin at **12:00 p.m.**; all participants must be lined up by no later than **1:30 p.m.** This year's registration deadline is **Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**. Please see the attached map for line up location and if you have questions please contact the Recreation Center (828-295-5222).

We are limiting the total number of entries to 100 participants. This limitation has been put in place to provide enough space for each entrant. Please note that registration for the parade is on a first come first serve basis and all forms must be received by **November 18<sup>th</sup>**. If you need to cancel your entry, please let us know as soon as possible so that another organization or individual may participate.

Please read over the following rules and regulations for parade entries before signing the attached waiver form.

**\*Entries without signed rules and regulations will not be allowed to participate in the parade.**

## Rules and Regulation

1. Entrants must observe all applicable rules and regulations and follow instructions from police and parade officials. Vehicles must provide proof of Auto Liability Insurance.
2. **No materials may be thrown along the route. Walkers will be permitted to hand candy to spectators.**
3. Participants are to maintain forward progress at all times unless they have received prior authorization for performance from the Recreation Department. Those with prior permission will only be allowed to perform in the designated area at the intersection of Sunset and Main Street.

4. If you are a performer and have music for a musical performance (i.e. Dance Group, Cloggers, Cheer Groups) you will need to submit your music to the Recreation Department two weeks prior to the parade on a CD as well as emailed .mp3/.wav format. Performances are strictly limited to **2:00** minutes. Performances will not be authorized if they exceed the given time.

5. Political Campaigning- Blowing Rock neither endorses nor condones any candidate or elected officials platforms or views. If a candidate or official participates in the parade they do so as a member of the community or representative of the position in which they serve. The parade is a community event for entertainment and does not serve as a place to voice political views therefore we ask that all participants refrain from using the parade as a public forum for expressing their views either for or against political parties or individuals.

6. **No parade participants are to have a dressed "Santa Claus".**

7. Animals are permitted in the parade pending prior approval by the Recreation Department. \*Horse owners may be required to submit proof of a Coggin's Test as well as proper Insurance. (General Liability: \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence and \$2,000,000 General Aggregate, Town must be named as an additional insured.)

8. The use of foul language or inappropriate behavior is prohibited. This is a family event and participants are expected to conduct themselves in a courteous manner. Accordingly the use of drugs and/or alcohol by parade participants is strictly prohibited.



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### \*\*\* Waiver and Release\*\*\*

I \_\_\_\_\_ (Individual/Representative of Organization) of \_\_\_\_\_ (Organization) have read the above rules and regulation of the Blowing Rock Christmas Parade. In consideration of accepting this entry, I, as a representative for our group/organization, agree to abide by the parade rules and regulations.

Whereas, in connection with said request to be allowed to participate in said festival as participant the undersigned acknowledges that the Town of Blowing Rock shall not have any responsibility to insure the safety of the premises for participant or volunteers.

Whereas, the undersigned in consideration of being permitted to participate in said event, has agreed to assume the risk of any injury to person or property arising out of participation in the Blowing Rock Christmas Parade.

Now, therefore, the undersigned, in consideration of being allowed to participate in said event, does hereby waive and release unto the Town of Blowing Rock any claim which might arise against said party, their agent or employees, arising out of any injury to person or property which may occur by virtue of participation in said event. The undersigned acknowledge that this waiver shall operate to bar the undersigned from any claim it may have injury or property or person for any event which may occur during participation in the Town of Blowing Rock Christmas Parade including injury which may arise due to the condition of the streets or sidewalks and the undersigned does hereby further waive and release unto the said Town of Blowing Rock any such claim or cause of action and agree that he/she shall hold the Town of Blowing Rock, its officer, agents or employees harmless from any liability arising out of such act.

I understand and agree that this release shall be binding upon my executors, administrators, personal representatives, heirs, successors and assigns and shall inure to the benefit of the Town of Blowing Rock, its employees, agents and representatives.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Blowing Rock Parks and Recreation  
Christmas Parade Entry Form**

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Time Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail (required) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please help us to organize the parade by providing the following information and circle as many as applicable for your entry.

**A. Vehicles:**

1. How many motorized vehicles in your group? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What type, make, and model? \_\_\_\_\_

3. How long is the vehicle? \_\_\_\_\_

**\* Please NO Santa Claus\***

**B. Walkers:**

1. How many walkers in your group? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Will they be wearing any costumes? Yes / No  
If yes, what are they? \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Please NO Santa Claus\***

**C. Homemade Floats:**

1. Will you be towing anything? Yes / No  
If yes what are you towing? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is the total length (including towed item)? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Will there be people riding on the item towed? Yes / No How many? \_\_\_\_\_

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**D. Animals:**

1. Will there be any animals involved in your entry? Yes / No  
If yes, what? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Will there be any riders on these animals? Yes / No How many? \_\_\_\_\_

**E. Additional Details:**

1. What type of group is it: Family, Civic Organization, Non-Profit, Business? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Purpose/Mission: What would you like the announcer to say about your group? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Does your group play music and/or perform? Yes / No  
If yes what will be performed? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Is there anything else that Parks & Recreation should know about your entry? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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