

2024 Jefferson Christmas Parade Guidelines

- All signed entries MUST be submitted with \$10 entry fee by close of business on Friday, November 29, 2024
 - Floats and vehicles should have both sides decorated with holiday decorations. Any entry not deemed to have significant coverage will be pulled from the line-up. The exception to this rule is emergency or official vehicles.
 - Vehicles entered for the sole purpose of advertising is prohibited.
 - It is suggested that each float have at least one five-pound dry chemical fire extinguisher.
 - A portable generator can be used on a float but it must be securely attached. A float with a generator MUST have a dry chemical fire extinguisher on board.
 - Music is encouraged! Amplified sounds other than music are not be allowed.
 - Participants should make the best effort to decorate their vehicles, floats, animals, and people in accordance of the theme.
 - All entries that include animals, must immediately dispose of any animal waste. The entrant must provide diapers or walkers with pail and shovel. No exceptions. Trailer parking needs MUST be communicated to parade officials AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION. A location separate from the staging area can be provided.
 - Individual go-carts, motorcycles, bicycles, or horses are not allowed. Only groups whose organizations require such transportation are allowed. Motorcycle riding clubs, 4-H Horse Club, or Shriners are examples of groups that would be allowed.
 - Show/Classic Cars and tractors are allowed but will be limited and must adhere to strict rules. Specific rules will be returned to the contact person as soon as registration is received. Once rules are signed by contact person, and returned to the Community Relations office the cars will be allowed.
 - Distribution of brochures or literature for fundraising or promotional purposes is not allowed along the parade route. Tossing of candy is permitted and encouraged.
 - The parade sponsors provide Santa & Mrs. Claus. NO OTHER SANTA & MRS. CLAUS WILL BE ALLOWED.
 - Line-up of floats and vehicles will begin at 8:00am on Memorial Street. The parade will start promptly at 11:00am.
 - Judging of floats will be from 9:00am-10:00am. There will be a 1st, 2nd, 3rd place winner in each of the following categories:
 - Float (non-profit (church, civic organizations) and small business)
 - Float (corporate/large business)
 - Walking/Marching/Band/Dancers/Twirlers (if more than 3 entries)
- Classic/Show cars and tractors will not be awarded a prize due to limitations of decorations on vehicles.

& 1 overall Grand Prize Winner Judging will be based on the following criteria:

- ❖ **Adherence to the holiday spirit**
- ❖ **Creativity/Originality of the design**
- ❖ **Innovative use of materials and craftsmanship**

All parade entries must check in at the corner of Old Swimming Pool Road and Memorial Street. -Please watch for signage-- Check-in begins at 8:00am and all participants must be lined up by 10am. After check in you will be directed to a spot for line-up. Judging begins at 9:30am and will conclude by 10:30am. Walking parade participants may be dropped off at Howell Orthodontics (no drop-off cars will be allowed to stay in that parking lot). Additional parking located at the Jefferson Civic Center, and bus transportation will be provided between there and parade lineup.

Additional information regarding the parade (staging map and line-up order, etc.) will be emailed to you during the week before the parade. The email address provided on the parade entry form is where that information will be sent. If you still have questions after reading these guidelines, please contact the Community Relations Office at 706-367-5754 or communications@cityofjeffersonga.com

INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

THIS INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 20__ by and between the City of Jefferson, Georgia, a municipal corporation of the State of Georgia (hereinafter “City”) and _____ (Vendor/Company Name)

I, _____ both in my individual capacity and as the Agent representing _____, do hereby Agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Jefferson, Georgia, its officers, counsel persons, agents, employees and contractors from and against any and all loss, damage, claim demand, liability or expense by reason of any damage or injury to property or person which may be claimed to have arisen as a result of or in connection with the occupancy or use of City real and/or personal property on the date of _____. Such obligation in indemnify and hold harmless shall continue notwithstanding any negligence or comparative negligence on the part of the City relating to such loss or damage, except for loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct or gross negligence of the City, and shall include all costs, expenses and liabilities incurred by the City in connection with an such claim, suit, action or cause of action, including but not limited to the investigation thereof reasonable attorney fees for and the defense of any action or proceeding brought thereon and any other judgement or decree which may be entered in any such action or proceeding or as a result thereof. These provisions shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of the use of premises. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to affect in any way the City’s rights, privileges, and immunities as set forth in Georgia Statutes and/or the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

SIGNATURE

PRINT NAME

DATE



PHOTO CONSENT FORM

Name: _____

City, State: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

I, _____ grant permission and give my consent to the City of Jefferson for the use of the following photographs or electronic media images as defined below for presentation under any legal use:

Event Name and Date:

Photo Description:

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Saturday, December 7, 2024 at 11:00 AM in Downtown Jefferson

2024 Jefferson Christmas Parade Entry Form

ORGANIZATION NAME:		
CONTACT PERSON:		
MAILING ADDRESS:		
EMAIL ADDRESS:		
CELL PHONE:	DAYTIME PHONE:	\$10 ENTRY FEE
--CASH --CREDIT CARD --CHECK		

Vehicle/Tractor

_____ number of vehicles/tractors (length)?

Band/Dancers/Twirlers

_____ number of marchers

Walking/Marching Unit Non-Musical

_____ number of walkers/marchers

Equestrian/Llamas/Alpacas/Other Animals

_____ number of animals

Fire/Rescue (Out of service-duration of parade)

_____ number of vehicles

Float

_____ length

_____ type of vehicle pulling float

Other _____

(Please Describe)

DESCRIPTION: Please include a short description of your float, make and model of all vehicles/tractors
If additional space is needed, please include the information in the email or on the back of this page.

For all non-musical entries: Will your entry have some form of music? ___ YES ___ NO

Tell us about your organization/group. This information will be used by the parade announcer. Include the number of years participating, awards won during past years, individuals participating, information about your group (i.e. non-profit benefiting what program, etc.). Please use additional sheets as necessary.

Entries and \$10 fee must be submitted by close of business on Wednesday, November 27. Entry forms can be dropped off at the Jefferson Civic Center or at Jefferson City Hall (147 Athens Street) or may be emailed to communications@cityofjeffersonga.com .
Forms and payment can also be mailed directly to:

Jefferson Community Development Office, 65 Kissam Street, Jefferson, GA 30549

I have read and agree to abide by the 2024 Jefferson Christmas Parade Guidelines as listed below.

Signature: _____ Date: _____