

Improper or Disrespectful use or display of the United States Flag or any State or Military Flag Will Not be allowed.

1. **ENTRY FORMS** received from prospective entrants are **APPLICATIONS** only. The Parade Committee reserves the right to refuse any Entry into the Parade that is not tasteful and does not meet the general purpose of the Parade or is otherwise offensive. All Parade entries and individuals must have an **approved entry application or other approval to participate in the Parade or to add to or change their entry**. Entry forms that did not meet the entry form deadline will not be considered. Parade entrants agree to abide by all rules and decisions of the Parade Committee. Any misrepresentation or failure to abide by the Parade Committee rules, are grounds for denying participation in the Parade or removal from the Parade. Decisions of the Parade Committee are final and not subject to review by any other body.
2. **REVIEWING STAND/JUDGING:** The Parade Reviewing Stand is located on Broadway between Main & First in downtown Edmond. All Parade entry judging will be conducted as entries pass **"in-review"** of the reviewing stand. Please **DO NOT STOP** in front of the reviewing stand unless directed to do so by a Parade Official. Seating on the reviewing stand is by invitation only.
3. **CONDUCT AND MOVEMENT:** All entries and support personnel in the staging/lineup area and along the Parade route will be monitored by **Parade Marshals** and subject to their **control**. Each entry is assigned a line-up number. **DO NOT** change line-up position or number unless directed to do so by a Parade Official.
4. **STRICTLY PROHIBITED: Throws and Handouts:** Handing out or the distribution of any item from the Parade entry or on the street along the Parade Route is prohibited. **Shooting water guns or water cannons, throwing water balloons, use of bubbles or bubble machines** or the discharge of any liquid is **PROHIBITED**. The discharge of **fireworks or firearms** is **PROHIBITED**.
- ★ **FIREARMS: Prohibited on UCO campus, on or around Parade Entries, on the street along the Parade route. Only authorized law enforcement personnel and Pre-Parade approved carry of replica firearms to support a parade entry is allowed. Subject to inspection by law enforcement officials or the Parade committee.**
Alcoholic beverages/Drugs: Alcoholic beverages and Illegal use of drugs are not allowed on or around the entry or in the staging area.
5. **SAFETY:** (a) Individuals and organizations in the Parade and in the staging area are expected to act courteously, in good taste and with **Safety** in mind **AT ALL TIMES** during the formation, execution and dismissal of the Parade. Once an entry has started down the Parade route, riders are to stay on board, do not get off and on. (b) Barriers, stands or handholds are required for riders on floats. (c) The Parade Committee, Safety Engineer and Fire Marshal reserve the right to inspect and approve or disapprove all towing packages, entries or floats for any fire or safety hazard. All float entries are required to have a working **Class ABC fire extinguisher on board**. (d) Smoking is not allowed on any parade vehicle or entry. (e) A cellular device is not permitted to be used by the operator of any parade entry. (f) **Members of your entry cannot walk over to and interact with the crowd. This pulls people into the street and is not safe.** All entries are required to correct any deficiencies before they can participate in the Parade.
6. **HELMETS** are required by all riders/passengers under the age 18 years on any bicycle, scooter, motorcycle, ATV or other similar vehicle or device. **NOTE: Tricycles and skateboards are not allowed.**
7. **PARADE UNIT HEIGHT:** The unit cannot have an element higher than 13 ft.-6 in. from the ground to provide clearance of overhead wires and traffic lights.
8. **CHILDREN:** Due to the July heat and the length of the Parade route, we are very concerned about the safety and health of any children in the parade. Any child under the age of 6-years old cannot walk or ride a bike in the Parade. **PARENTS:** You will not be able to drive into the staging/line-up area to drop off your child. If at all possible, meet your child's entry on the east side of the UCO campus (E. Main St. and Baumann Av.) **outside** of the staging/line-up area. Otherwise, you will have to walk your child into the staging/line-up area to meet your entry.
9. **INSURANCE:** LibertyFest and the City of Edmond require all entrants to provide the Parade Committee proof of insurance that will cover their participation in the Parade. The requirement is easy to fulfill and is absolutely necessary.
 - (a) **Cars, Trucks, Motorcycles, Tractors, Antique and Vintage Cars:** Any vehicle licensed to operate on the road must have insurance. A copy of your **"State of Oklahoma Security Verification Form"** must be submitted to the Parade Committee.
 - ★ (b) **Floats (pulled by a car, truck or other vehicle):** A copy of the "State of Oklahoma Security Verification Form" for the pulling vehicle must be submitted.
 - (c) **Organizations:** Civic, Fraternal, Non-Profit, Local, state and National Organizations are generally covered under an insurance policy. A copy of the binder or cover sheet that shows a current policy is in force is all that is needed.
 - (d) **Individual, Marching/Military or Walking Groups, Equestrian Units:** Your home owners policy generally would cover your liability in the Parade. Submit a copy of the cover sheet of your current Policy.
- ★ 10. **POLITICAL:** LibertyFest is a non-profit/nonpolitical organization under Section 501 (c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code and is **prohibited from participating or intervening in political activities**. Current office holders are allowed to enter the parade. Only signs on either side of the car or entry showing their name and current office are permitted. The office holder cannot campaign for re-election or for another office. **Individuals or organizations who try to use the parade to further their own Political Agenda or Political campaign(s) will not be permitted to participate in the parade.**
11. **ALL applicants must sign COVID-19 waiver and Hold Harmless agreement and submit with application.**

