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## CHRISTMAS PARADE APPLICATION

Any questions please call 434-946-7885

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**Parade Time: Friday, December 3, 2021, at 6:30 pm**

**Application Deadline: Monday, November 29, 2021**

[READ MORE ON PARADE ROUTE, LINEUP INSTRUCTIONS, CHECK-IN AND JUDGING HERE](#)

**PLEASE** fill out the form below and return to:

Amherst Town Hall 174 S. Main Street  
P. O. Box 280  
Amherst, VA 24502  
Attn: Vicki K. Hunt  
OR  
E-Mail To: [vicki.hunt@amherstva.gov](mailto:vicki.hunt@amherstva.gov)

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## Contact Information

Contact Name \*

First/Last

Organization / Group Name

Mailing Address \*

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

State / Province / Region

ZIP / Postal Code

Daytime Phone \*/ Evening Phone \*

Cell Phone\*

To be used for parade purposes only.

Email \*

## Entry Information

### Parade Categories \*

Click on the category that describes your group to fill out further information.

- Float - Classified as a truck/tractor/other pulling a trailer or flatbed. Specify size (length including vehicle pulling float):

- General Marching Group or Dance Group. Specify Type of Group and Number of Participants in Group:

- Antique Car Club - more than 2 in group or Antique Car Single. Specify number of cars:

- Car/Truck Carrying A Person or Group. Specify Number of Persons in group:

- Dog Group. Specify how many Dogs in group:

- Horse Group - more than 2 group or Single Horse. Specify how many Horses in group:

- Other Entry - Explain:

## Parade Rules and Regulations

\*\*\*Please review the rules and be sure they are understood by those who are on your entry\*\*\* \*

You must place a check mark beside each rule stating that you understand and agree.

- All Christmas Parade applications must be in by the deadline to participate in the parade. The deadline is **Monday, November 29, 2021.**
- Entries are encouraged to display the name of the organization and/or business.
- Your entry will be provided with a division number card that **must** be visible and clearly displayed on the **STREET SIDE of the parade route** in order for the judges to identify your group.
- Please, only one "Santa" is allowed – he has already accepted our invitation to attend. Any entry that has Santa on their entry will not be allowed into the parade. The 'Parade Santa' will be the last entry in the parade. We do however encourage you to dress as elves, cartoon characters, etc. to fit the holiday theme to be announced.
- All entries must use Christmas themes, and decorations. All vehicles must be in keeping with the Christmas spirit.

- No vans, utility vehicles, etc. are permitted without tasteful Christmas decoration, or an attached float in accordance with the theme.
- Units must adhere to VDOT regulations for: Height 13' 6" or less; Width 102" or less.
- No motorcycles, go carts, three/four wheelers, dirt bikes, buses or tractor trailers (unless the tractor trailer is pulling an entry) are allowed in the parade unless approved previously by the Town of Amherst. All vehicles must remain stationary and in their designated area.
- No vehicles are to spin tires, rev engines or cause a commotion of any kind while participating in the parade. If this is violated, it will result in your entry being removed from the parade.
- Candy or other material cannot be thrown or handed out to parade attendees traveling by your entry. All dogs in the Dog category must be dressed, on a leash and stay with the designated dog group.
- Town of Amherst and its designee(s) reserve the right to ask any horseback rider whose horse is not under control to exit the parade.
- SAFETY COMES FIRST. Once you are set up in your location, you must remain there for the duration of the event. (First Responders are exempt).
- The Town of Amherst Christmas Parade is a family-friendly event for all ages, and every entry in the parade is expected to respect this. All costumes, outfits, behavior, attitude, language, and dance moves must be appropriate for a young audience and will be held to a high standard. Failure to comply may result in being asked to leave the parade immediately with no warning and may jeopardize a group's approval to participate in following years. All decisions are at the discretion of Parade officials and are final.
- Town of Amherst and its designee(s) reserve the right to disqualify and remove any entry before the parade, at parade lineup, or during the parade due to noncompliance of these rules. Anyone behaving inappropriately will be removed immediately from the parade. This includes entries, participants, drivers, or anyone connected with your entry.
- By signing below, I/we agree with all of the above rules and regulations. I/we assume all risk of bodily injury or property damage that I/we may incur in participating in the Town of Amherst Christmas Parade 2021. I/we hereby, for myself, my child, my heirs, executors, and administrators do hereby, expressly and forever, waive and release any and all claims against and agree to hold harmless the Town of Amherst, and all their respective officers, employees, agents, representatives, successors, or assigns of any kind from any and all claims which may be made for any cause whatsoever, arising as a result of or in connection with the participation of me, my child or animal in the herein mentioned event. I/we agree to the above Christmas Parade rules. In any interpretation of parade rules, the Town of Amherst decision shall be final.

**Signature \***

By signing below, I/we agree with all of the above rules and regulations.

**Please print the name of the above signee. \***

First/Last

**Please Mark Today's Date \***

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**PLEASE PROVIDE A SHORT SUMMARY OF YOUR ENTRY FOR OUR PROGRAM (GROUP/BUSINESS):**