

PARADE ENTRY RULES AND GUIDELINES – 2022

The Athabasca District Chamber of Commerce Summer parade in 2022 will be held on July 1, 2022 in conjunction with the Magnificent River Rats Festival. The parade is an opportunity to celebrate and showcase businesses, community organizations and families in our area. Line-up is between Petro Can Cardlock & Independent Foods beginning at 9:30 am, parade starts at 10:30 am.

- 1) Parade line-up will be based on proper flow and movement of the parade staging space and safety. Parade dignitaries will be placed toward the front of the parade.
- 2) Only the parade marshal(s) can authorize a switch of the line-up on the day of the parade. If a parade unit changes its line-up without approval, its entry in future events will be denied.
- 3) Parade units with musical aspects will be evenly spaced throughout the parade. All entries must indicate if they have music or sound amplifying systems, and shall maintain a volume that will not interfere with other entries, especially those with animals.
- 4) Entries with children under the age of 18 must also have parents or other adult chaperones walking alongside to provide supervision. Applicants are required to ensure the safety of persons riding on the floats. Persons riding on floats or flatbed trucks must be seated if there are no protective restraints. The Athabasca District Chamber of Commerce is not responsible for the safety of the float or the persons riding the float. The applicant is required to comply with all applicable laws to ensure everyone's safety.
- 5) No printed literature may be thrown or discarded or sprayed by or from any entry as this causes a litter problem.

- 6) **NOTHING IS TO BE THROWN FROM ANY FLOAT INTO THE CROWD.**
Doing so may cause injury to youngsters. If you intend to hand out candy please carry your supply with you and distribute it from the curb.
Restocking from a moving vehicle not only poses a danger to participants but causes delays in the parade.
- 7) All dogs in the parade must be kept on leashes and held by someone strong enough to manage them.
- 8) Animals participating in the parade must be kept under control. If you cannot control your animal or its presence presents any safety issue, please leave the parade area with your animal rather than risk a problem.
- 9) Participants on bicycles, scooters, skates, skateboards, etc. must wear a helmet and/or proper safety equipment.
- 10) No smoking is allowed by any participant in the staging area or in the parade.
- 11) The consumption of alcohol beverages either in the staging area or in the parade is strictly prohibited.
- 12) Use of cell phones, blackberries etc. by drivers of the vehicles is strictly prohibited.
- 13) Recognized in community groups other than bands, involving children under the age of 12 years, must have adult supervision (one adult for every four children). Individual walkers under the age of 12 years are not permitted, unless accompanied by an adult for the entire parade route, due to safety and weather conditions.
- 14) We are requesting a donation to participate in the parade this year, however not required as we invite EVERYONE to participate. If you would like to send a donation to participate you can either bring cash the day of or send an EMT to athabascachamberofcommerce@gmail.com