

Ontario Celebrates America's Independence

Parade Application

Thursday, July 4, 2019

Theme: "It's a Grand Ole Flag"



ONLY COMPLETED APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED

Choose only one category per application

Organization Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Alternate Contact: _____ Phone: _____

DESCRIPTION OF ENTRY — Must be completed when turning in your application (No Exceptions)

Please provide your entry, organization, business or individual description: *(Please attach additional sheet if necessary)*

Example: *The ABC service organization has been a proud participant in the Ontario Independence Day parade for 45 years. They help the community by providing food and house assistance to the homeless. This year, their walking group will be carrying American Flags. For the past 15 years, they have won the Judge's Choice award. Board Members include: John Smith, President, Bobby Walker, Vice President and Suzie Cue as Treasurer.*

REGISTRATION

NOW - APRIL 5, 2019	APRIL 8 - MAY 10, 2019	
\$15.00 Entry Fee	\$25.00 Entry Fee	Single (1) Vehicle (Automobile/Small Pickup Truck)
\$20.00 Entry Fee	\$30.00 Entry Fee	Youth, Community Church or School Organizations, Car Clubs, Military Organization
\$25.00 Entry Fee	\$50.00 Entry Fee	Businesses

WAIVER

The undersigned parade participant hereby assumes all risk of loss, damage or injury, by reason of participation in this event, and releases the City of Ontario, its agents, employees and otherwise from any and all claims, and agrees to indemnify the City of Ontario against claims for such loss, damage or injury sustained by the undersigned. Additionally, the above authorized representative gives permission to the City of Ontario to be photographed or videotaped and to use such photos or videos in the promotion of City sponsored activities. I have read and understand the rules & requirements for the Ontario Independence Day Parade and agree to abide by them at all times. I understand that I am responsible for the conduct of all participants in this entry.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please Print Name _____

Return signed application to the Armstrong Community Center, 1265 S. Palmetto Avenue, Ontario, CA 91762.
For question regarding the Parade please call (909) 395-2020.

Application must be signed by an authorized representative at least 18 years of age. Submission of application & payment DOES NOT constitute acceptance.

Amount Paid \$ _____ Receipt# _____ Staff Initials: _____ Other: _____

CHOOSE ONLY ONE CATEGORY
All entries are limited to 1 banner per organization

VEHICLES - In order for your entry to be considered, you must submit a completed application including photos and description.
VEHICLES WITHOUT PHOTOS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN THE PARADE.

VEHICLE CATEGORY	Make	Model	Music (Y or N)	Number of Vehicles	Number of Bikes/Scooters	Number of Walkers
Single Vehicle/Small Pickup Truck (Ex: Ford Ranger Truck)						
Multiple Vehicles/Car Clubs						
Description of Entry:						
Entries are limited up to 15 vehicles, up to 20 walkers, up to 20 bicycles, scooters or strollers.						
LARGE VEHICLE CATEGORY			Music (Y or N)	Number of Vehicles	Number of Bikes/Scooters	Number of Walkers
City Vehicle-Integrated Waste, Police, Fire, etc...						
Large Passenger Van or Truck/Tractor/School Bus						
Description of Entry:						
Entries are limited up to 20 walkers.						
FLOAT CATEGORY- Please read decoration guidelines			Music (Y or N)	Number of Vehicles	Number of Walkers	
Flat/Stake Bed Truck						
Truck/Trailer Combination						
Description of Entry:						
Entries are limited up to 20 walkers.						
MILITARY CATEGORY			Music (Y or N)	Number of Vehicles	Number of Walkers	
Marching group (limit 100 walkers)						
Small Military Vehicle(s) Ex. Small Jeep, standard truck, motorcycle, etc...						
Large Military Vehicle(s) Ex. Large Jeep, truck, plane on trailer etc...						
Description of Entry:						
Entries are limited up to 20 walkers.						
WALKING GROUP CATEGORY			Music (Y or N)	Number of Vehicles	Number of Walkers	
Marching Groups up to 100 walkers (not military)						
Community /Church/Youth Organizations up to 50 walkers						
Bicycles/Scooters/Strollers/Carts						
Description of Entry:						
Entries are limited up to 20 bicycles, scooters, strollers or carts. Entries may have 1 support vehicle.						
MARCHING BANDS	Parade Vehicle (Y or N)	Number of Buses	Number of Equipment Trailer/Trucks			
Under 75 Participants						
Over 75 Participants						
Description of Entry:						
Entries may have 1 support vehicle.						
EQUESTRIAN CATEGORY			Music (Y or N)	Number of Vehicles	Number of Walkers	
Horses with Single Rider						
Horses with Carriage						
Description of Entry:						
Entries are limited up to 20 walkers. Groups must provide their own clean-up crew for staging area and parade route.						

PARADE INFORMATION and Guidelines:

Please read all instructions, including the additional guidelines attached

Theme: "It's a Grand Ole Flag"

Applicants are required to include this year's theme in their entry design. Costumes and colorful decorations, along with enthusiastic participants, help set the patriotic mood of the parade. The City of Ontario reserves the right to make any necessary modifications to entries to ensure the safety and success of the Parade. All entries should be decorated prior to check-in and staging. Only approved entries may enter the staging area. All entries are limited to (1) banner representing (1) organization.

VEHICLES – Entry is limited up to 15 vehicles and up to 20 walkers

Only one entry per organization is permitted. Entries with multiple vehicles will need to check-in together. Vehicle entries consist of one or more cars, small trucks, and specialty or historical vehicles. Motorized scooters or golf carts must meet the approval of the parade committee. Vehicles included with a walking group must check-in at the vehicle check-in area. All vehicles included with a walking group must be decorated.

LARGE VEHICLES – Entry is limited up to 20 walkers

Large city vehicles, large passenger vans or trucks, tractors and school buses.

FLOATS– Entry is limited up to 20 walkers

Flat or stake bed trucks, truck/trailer combination or professionally built chassis. A standard pickup truck is not considered a float. Entries need to be decorated completely with the parade theme carried throughout the entry. Signage should include name of the group or organization or sponsor in addition to any wording that pertains to the parade theme. Floats must be completely decorated before checking in and arriving to the staging area. All floats wishing to be judged must be staged no later than 7 AM.

MILITARY GROUPS – Marching organizations are limited to 100 walkers

Marching military groups, small and large military vehicles. Vehicle entries are limited up to 20 walkers. All participants need to meet at a designated area before entering the staging area. A limit of 1 support vehicle per group is allowed to assist with music and transportation needs. Vehicle must checked-in at the vehicle check in area. Vehicles must be decorated.

WALKING GROUPS – Marching Groups are limited up to 100 walkers. Community, Church, School and Youth Organizations are limited up to 50 walkers

All participants need to meet at a designated area before entering the staging area. A limit of 1 support vehicle per group is allowed to assist with music and transportation needs. Vehicle must checked-in at the vehicle check in area. Vehicles must be decorated. Minors must have a responsible adult with them at all times. All walkers must be able to keep up with the flow of the parade and not create gaps. This includes young children walking or riding a bike or tricycle.

MARCHING BANDS

Bands may dress in either a formal or Summer uniform, depending on weather conditions. Summer uniforms must be in good taste and consistent from one band member to another. Bands in full dress will receive a \$100 bonus. All bands will receive a participation fee based upon compliance with all rules and regulations and the number of band members (including drill team, color guard and/or tall flags). The fees paid are as follows: \$600 for 75 or more marching members, \$400 for 74 or fewer marching members. Reasonable transportation fees will be paid for bands. In order to receive payment in full, an invoice must be submitted with the band's tax I.D. # or S.S.# if the check is to be made payable to the band director NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, August 16, 2019. Bands may not measure-off or stop to perform. Forward motion must be maintained for the entire parade route to the band disbanding area. Participants agree to abide by all the rules & requirements indicated on the parade application or by direction of parade officials. Failure to do so will result in the withholding or reduction of the participation fees as determined by the City of Ontario.

EQUESTRIAN GROUPS– Entry is limited up to 20 walkers

Horse and rider must have prior parade experience. Riders must have control of their horse at all times. Youth riders must be accompanied by an adult in the staging area, parade route, disbanding and are required to wear a helmet. Equestrian groups must clean up after their horses in the staging area. Each equestrian entry must provide a volunteer(s) and equipment to follow the entry along the route for clean-up duty.

BUSINESSES

All business entries need to be decorated adhering to the theme of the parade. Undecorated business vehicles will not be allowed to participate. Mobile billboards are not allowed.

THEME: "IT'S A GRAND OLE FLAG"



FLOAT/MILITARY LARGE VEHICLE AWARDS

All judging will be done by a committee of community members. Floats will be judged on the morning of the Parade beginning at 7 AM. Float trophies & banners will be presented prior to the start of the parade. Floats receiving a trophy will be required to carry the provided banner announcing their award. Please turn in all award banners to staff in the disbanding area. All Float award winners will be recognized at the July Recreation & Parks Commission Meeting held on Monday, July 22, 2019 in the City Council Chambers (303 E. B Street).

Sweepstakes Award.....Best Overall Entry

All-States Award.....Best Theme Entry – It's a Grand Ole Flag

Community Service Award.....Best Service Club Entry

Youth Expression Award.....Best Youth Group Entry

Chaffey Heritage Award.....Best Historical Entry

Judge's Choice Award.....Best Non-Category Entry

Red, White & Blue Award.....Most Patriotic Military Vehicle Entry

GENERAL AWARDS

Parade entries will be judged for additional awards by a committee of community members as they proceed down the parade route. General Award Recipients will be notified approximately one week following the parade. Winners will receive their trophies at the July Recreation & Parks Commission Meeting held on Monday, July 22, 2019 in the City Council Chambers (303 E. B Street).

Showmanship Award.....Overall Best Performance

Additional Award Categories will be awarded based on the number and type of entries received by the deadline. Categories include: Best Equestrian, Best Marching Band, Best Marching and or Walking Group, Best Military Marching Group, Best Vehicle, Best Historical and or Novelty Vehicle, and Special Merit.

Parade order will be available 1 week prior to the parade (JUNE 27, 2019).

Please call the Ontario Recreation & Community Services Department (909) 395-2020 for more information.

RETAIN THIS PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS