

# 2017 Oakland Christmas Parade

Saturday, December 9th, 2017 @ 4pm

(There is no rain date)



Please complete and return the below form to:  
**Oakland Parks & Recreation, Attn: Parade, P.O. Box 442, Oakland, TN 38060**  
**Fax to: (901) 465-2991 or in person, at Oakland City Hall, 170 Doss Circle**  
**We must receive your application no later than Friday, December 1st, 2017.**

Questions? Call P&R Director Marshall Crawley @ 901-465-2921.

Business, Group or Individual Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person : \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Name & cell phone for contact person day of the parade: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

## PLEASE CHECK DESCRIPTION OF YOUR PARADE ENTRY:

\_\_\_\_ Walking Group                      How many people in your group? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Performing Group                      How many people in your group? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Marching Band                      How many people in band and drill? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Driving Group                      How many vehicles in group? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ motorcycle \_\_\_\_ gator \_\_\_\_ car/truck \_\_\_\_ tractor \_\_\_\_ float/trailer \_\_\_\_ other

\_\_\_\_ Equestrian Team                      How many horses in-group? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Animal Drawn Team                      What type of animal? \_\_\_\_\_ How many in group? \_\_\_\_\_

(We kindly ask that you be responsible for any animal waste before, during, and after the parade!)

Give a brief description of your group, and how they function as a group, or how they can be identified.

## Liability Release:

The undersigned, in consideration of being permitted to participate in the Oakland Christmas Parade 2017, do for myself, executors, administrators and assigns, hereby agrees to release and forever indemnify and hold harmless the Town of Oakland and its agents, volunteers, servants, employees and officials from and against any and all claims, losses or expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees and litigation expenses suffered by any indemnified party or entity as the result of claims or suits due to, arising out of, or in connection with (a) any and all such damage and/or injury, real or alleged, (b) the violation of any law applicable to this Contract, and (c) the performance of the Contractor or those for whom the Contractor is legally liable. I further hereby agree to abide by all parade rules and regulations, of which, I have received a copy.

Entry Leader: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# 2017 Oakland Christmas Parade



## *Parade Rules:*

**By submitting an application, all applicants are deemed as having agreed to abide by the following parade rules and the direction of parade officials. The Town of Oakland Christmas Parade reserves the right to exude or expel any participants from the parade for violation or infraction of the rules.**

- Please see that your parade vehicle is in good running condition and with ample fuel before the start of the parade.
- Speed Limit: All motorized units shall not exceed 5 miles per hour while on the parade route. No motorized units shall be driven in a reckless manner or leave the route at any time during the parade.
- No stopping on the route while the parade is underway *unless* directed by police or parade officials.
- All entries shall have a banner/sign to identify themselves and all entries shall be decorated in a manner that reflects the holiday spirit and/or theme of the parade. If decorations or attire on parade day is judged to be inappropriate, you will not be allowed to participate in the parade.
- Santa Costumes: **No live Santa impersonators or persons in Santa suits allowed**; there will only be one “official” Santa selected by the Town’s Department of Parks and Recreation. Anyone dressed in a Santa-like costume will be asked to change, or they will not be able to participate in the parade. Elves and other Christmas characters are allowed.
- Animals: Horses and mules will be the only animals allowed in the parade. Owners of these animals are responsible for the clean-up and disposal of any waste produced by the animal before, during, and after the parade. Any animal acting in an uncontrollable manner will not be allowed to participate. No dogs without leashes.
- Conduct: No floats, units, or persons in the parade shall display any vulgar, suggestive, offensive or obscene action, dance, gestures, or language during the parade.
- Intoxicating Beverages/Tobacco: There shall be no open display or consumption of intoxicating beverages or tobacco products by parade participants. No person operating a motor vehicle within the parade shall consume intoxicating beverages during the parade, or at any time two hours prior to the parade, or be under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance at any time during the parade.
- Candy/Favors: **Throwing materials or objects into the crowd, such as candy or other favors, is not allowed; items must be handed to spectators.** Any activity, which might be construed as encouraging/enticing spectators to enter the parade route, is not allowed.
- No one driving motorcycles under the age of 18 years.
- Floats with youngsters must be accompanied by at least one adult on either side of the unit.
- All entries must have a person 21 or older who agrees to be responsible for the behavior and safety of those participants (children & adults) in their entry/party.
- Undecorated vehicles will not be permitted to participate, with the exception of vehicles that are transporting dignitaries.
- All remote-broadcasting facilities shall broadcast only Christmas music at reasonable sound levels.
- All entries must comply with all city, county, and state ordinances.
- Any violation of these rules shall result in immediate expulsion from participation in the 2017 parade, and possibly any future Christmas parades.
- Trophies/Awards: Trophies will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place **FLOATS** only. Decision of the judges will be final.

**ALL ENTRIES WILL CARRY THE CHRISTMAS THEME IN GOOD TAST**

