

2016 MARYSVILLE CHRISTMAS PARADE

"The Magic of Christmas Elves"

Saturday, December 3, 2016

MAILING ADDRESS – 526 C Street, Marysville, CA 95901

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PARADE ENTRY REGISTRATION FORM

Company/Organization _____ Contact Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number () _____

Entry Fee (Check one):

_____ Non-profit (\$25)

Fax Number () _____

_____ Business (\$50)

Please prepare a narrative of **50 words or less** for the announcers to read as your entry passes the announcer's area (**please be aware that this narrative may be shortened if necessary and/or read word for word by the announcers**). _____

PLEASE CHECK ONE CATEGORY:

_____ Decorated Floats*
Title _____
of people walking _____

_____ Decorated Vehicles
_____ # of vehicles (see rule #9)
_____ # of people walking

MAJORETTES (CORPS)

_____ Pee Wee
_____ Junior
_____ Senior

DRUM & BUGLE CORPS

_____ Adults
_____ Youth
_____ # of participants

MAJORETTES

_____ Pee Wee
_____ Junior

BANDS

_____ Elementary school
_____ Intermediate school
_____ High school
_____ # of participants

EQUESTRIANS

_____ # of Horses
_____ # of people walking

Name of Drum Major:

*Traditional mobile platforms are considered 'floats'. Judges have final decision.

PARADE RULES

PLANNING FOR THE PARADE

1. **ABSOLUTELY NO SANTA CLAUS SUITS ALLOWED.** The official "Santa" will be arranged by parade officials. **Violating this rule will result in immediate expulsion from the parade.**
2. The theme for this year's parade is **"The Magic of Christmas Elves."** Use your imagination & decorate your float with this year's exciting theme. Please note that we will be judging floats by the designated categories; Most Thematic and Most Original.
3. The parade will take place on Saturday, December 3, 2016. It begins at 5:00 p.m. and will last approximately 2 hours. The parade will start at 6th and D Streets and will end at the intersection of 5th and C Street.
4. The non-refundable parade fee is \$25 for non-profit organizations and \$50 for all businesses. **NO REFUNDS** will be provided.
5. The parade line-up will be determined on Monday, November 28, 2016. Entries received after that date may not be considered or may be placed at the rear of the parade. **All entries postmarked on or after November 22nd will be charged an additional \$25 late fee. Please include this fee with your entry or it will not be considered.**
6. A notice of the line-up and a parade route map will be faxed. If you do not receive this notice by the end of business on Thursday, December 1, 2016, please contact Shannon Carroll at City of Marysville (530) 749-3954.
7. Entry numbers must be placed on the right side of the entry (assign someone to wear or tape it to your entry, but please make sure it can be seen so you may be properly introduced).
8. All decorative materials must be **fire resistant or flame retardant.**
9. Group vehicle entries are limited to no more than **5 STANDARD SIZE VEHICLES.** Groups wishing to enter more than 5 standard size vehicles **must submit a separate entry** form for each block of 5 standard size vehicles or more.
10. Parade entries consisting of persons walking may have no more than 50 individuals. Organizations wishing to enter more than 50 Marchers must be broken into separate groups of no more than 50 and enter each group separately. If your school band, dance team, etc., total more than 50 then they will be counted as two entries.
11. Mounted groups and equestrian entries **MUST provide their own animal waste pick-up services.** If you do not provide this service, you will be charged for clean-up.
12. Please have each member of your entry review these rules prior to parade day.
13. **No objects are to be handed out, thrown, sprayed or discharged at spectators during the parade. Only those who walk towards the edges of the streets may pass out candy that is individually wrapped, with prior approval from Parade or MPD staff.**

BEFORE THE PARADE BEGINS

14. **One designated person from each entry must check-in at the check-in station located at the corner of 6th and D Streets to receive their entry number and certificate of participation between 3:30-4:00 p.m.**
15. All entries should arrive in the staging area no later than 4:00 p.m. (one hour prior to the start of the parade).
16. All riders should meet their floats or vehicles in the staging area no later than 4:30 p.m. (one half-hour prior to the parade).
17. Please carpool if possible; parking will be very limited. Please park all non-parade vehicles on B, C, or D Streets, north of 9th Street, or west of E Street.
18. Please arrive in costume, as there are no changing facilities. You are also reminded to dress warmly, as the evening hours can be chilly.
19. Persons and/or animals riding on a float or in a car must be safely secured. Entries involving animals or vehicles must be kept in control at all times. The primary responsibility of all participants and parade officials is the safety of riders and spectators.
20. Since this is a nighttime parade, small pocket flashlights are recommended for safety purposes.
21. No alcoholic beverages or firearms will be allowed during the line-up of the parade or during the parade. Violators will be subject to a citation, which will be issued by the proper authorities.
22. Please control noises near the equestrian entries. If startled, it could be dangerous to the horses, riders, and/or spectators.
23. **Portable toilet facilities will be available at 7th and D Streets, 5th and D Streets, and 3rd and D Streets.**

DURING THE PARADE

24. **Please maintain a distance of at least 50 feet between the various entries.**
25. There will be radio announcers along the parade route and you are asked to perform in each block.
26. The parade will be a traditional forward-moving parade. There will be no stopping for performances except in designated areas. Bands should try to play continuously along the entire parade route. Bands must proceed into the competition area at 3rd and D Streets, in front of the review stand, for judged performances.
27. **No objects - including candy - may be thrown or sprayed at the spectators during the parade.**
28. Please do not get off the floats during the parade, except in cases of illness or emergency. In such cases, emergency personnel will be summoned to assist you.
29. Units that use sound-amplifying systems must maintain a volume that will not interfere with other entries. Entries with sound systems or music must indicate this on the entry form.
30. The reviewing stand will be located on the west side of D Street at 3rd Street.
31. Please do not disband until you reach the corner of 5th and C Streets. **You are encouraged to use the Municipal Parking Lot at 4th & C Streets as a meeting place to find your parents/children after the parade.**
32. **Any entry that does not abide by the Parade rules may be disqualified and prevented from participating in future parades.**

I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE PARADE RULES.

Organization _____ Contact Person _____

Signature _____ Date _____