



FORT THOMAS INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

Tuesday, July 4, 2017 Intent to Participate
“COMMUNITY IS OUR BUSINESS”

ASSEMBLY TIME: 9:30 a.m. **PARADE TIME:** 10:30 a.m.
ASSEMBLY PLACE: Memorial Parkway from North Fort Thomas Ave. at Memorial Parkway (i.e. Inverness Split: Your Town Realtors/Marathon Gas Station)

Organization Name: _____

Contact: _____

Phone number(s): _____

Email: _____

(Providing us with your email address will allow us to confirm your parade entry registration, as well as allow us to provide up to date communication with you)

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Awards: Trophies for Most Entertaining (1st, 2nd, and 3rd) and for Most Original (1st, 2nd, and 3rd)

*****Music is a major factor in judges' decisions.**

Type of unit: Please give name and brief description of your unit (e.g., decorated float, musical unit, band, performing unit, vehicles, etc.) and estimated number of people, vehicles, animals, etc. so they can be identified easily by the judges.

Name and brief description _____

Number of Vehicles: _____ Number of Walkers: _____

Your description of the theme, design, materials, and decorations will help the judges perform their responsibilities. **Floats should reflect the parade theme and must follow the attached float policies and guidelines.**

Questions? Call Linda Slone at 859-750-9532 or Jim Trauth at 859-992-1884

Please return this form on or before **June 23, 2017** to:

City of Fort Thomas
130 N. Fort Thomas Avenue
Fort Thomas, KY 41075
C/O Melissa Kelly
mkelly@ftthomas.org

*Parade Entries received after the June 23rd deadline will automatically be put in Division 5.
* After June 30th parade entries are not guaranteed a spot in the parade.
*Absolutely no entries will be allowed to enter the parade the day of the event.

NOTICE

By signing below, you acknowledge that your group will adhere to all of the guidelines and policies listed above and attached to this form. You are also validating that every motorized vehicle is legally registered and properly insured. To help offset increasing operating expenses, your voluntary **contribution of \$35 is appreciated**. Please make checks payable to the City of Fort Thomas. Thank you!

NAME _____ DATE _____

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST ATTEND A MANDATORY MEETING JUNE 27TH AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE FORT THOMAS CITY BUILDING IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

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IMPORTANT PARADE INFORMATION

Policies and Guidelines

- Dance Routines are limited to a max of 45 seconds per performance
- Floats should not be wider than 10 feet and not powered by lawn mowers
- Alcoholic beverages are not permitted
- All motorized vehicles and trailers must have current registration and insurance as required by the Commonwealth of Kentucky
- Entries **MUST BE FAMILY ORIENTED**. The Parade Committee reserves the right to exclude any parade entry based on the description and/or up to the review of the entry the day of the parade
- All horses must be diapered; clean up after all dogs or pets.
- Please do not allow anyone from the parade crowd to stop your group to pet any animals
- Please exercise caution when distributing candy, favors or drinks
- Please do not spray the crowd with water (**No super soakers; Parade Director, City Officials and Public officials may remove you from the parade for non compliance**)
- Please do not dangle feet off trailers and no one should be riding on any hitches of trailers
- The parade committee will arrange floats based on entertainment, safety and health as well as registration date of entry
- Absolutely no entries will be allowed to enter the parade the day of the event
- Sound system or live music is highly encouraged.

Parade Line Up

- Please make sure you arrive as close to 9:30am as possible to be lined up for the parade (If you are late, you will be put at the back of the parade)
- Please enter from North Fort Thomas Avenue at Memorial Parkway (i.e. Inverness Split: Your Town Realtors/Marathon Gas Station)
- As you are being lined up keep your group, float and vehicles to the side of the road (keep the center of the road open)
- Fort Thomas Ave. at Highland Avenue will be entirely closed after the Highland 3-way stop
- There is parking in Highlands parking lot (However, you will not be able to get your car out until the parade is over)
- Please no drop offs by car in the parade line up location (please park where allowed and walk to your parade float, car, group, etc.)

Judges

- The judges will be located at the City Building
- It is recommended that if you have music or a routine, etc. that you would like the judges to see, start your performance at Bluegrass

***FESTIVITIES BEGIN IN TOWER PARK IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE PARADE.***