

GENUINE SMITHFIELD

Christmas Parade

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2015 SMITHFIELD CHRISTMAS PARADE APPLICATION

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Saturday, December 12, 2015, 11:00 am.

(No Rain Date.)

The theme for this year's parade is:

A Story Book Christmas

Entrance fee is **\$20.00 per entry**, please make checks payable to: **IOW County**

Mail to: IOW Tourism, c/o Terry Rhinier, 319 Main Street, Smithfield, VA 23430

Registration Deadline: All entries must be received by 5:00 p.m. on **Friday November 14th, 2014**

VERY IMPORTANT- LINE UP IS ON CEDAR STREET – THE SAME AS LAST YEAR!

We will only be accepting 75 entries for the parade, so please return your form as early as possible. **All commercial entries must be accompanied by a decorated float.**

Trophies will be awarded for first, second, and third place in the categories of dance, floats, bands, marching units, equine, and Antique Cars, and Entertainment. For the first time this year we will have a "People's Choice" award. A "Best of Show" trophy will be awarded in the category of Emergency Services and Commercial Floats.

We will be contacting you with your placement number in the parade.

All participants are asked to carpool to the parade grounds as space is very limited.

Santa will be our special guest in the parade, please no impersonators. ☺

Name of entry: _____

Category - *Please circle:* **Dance** **Float** **Band** **Marching Unit** **Antique Car** **Equine** **Emergency Vehicles** **Commercial Float**

Contact person: _____ Music yes _____ no _____

Daytime phone: _____ Evening phone: _____ Email: _____

Street address: _____ Town _____ Zip _____

VERY IMPORTANT - In order to facilitate an efficient line-up, **please measure the EXACT amount of space your entry will require: this includes the float, the vehicle pulling the float and the number of feet between the vehicle and float. All marching units please measure the EXACT amount of space you will need for line- up. We have a limited amount of space for line up, please be VERY accurate.** _____ Feet _____

Short summary of your organization to be announced by the Parade emcee: _____



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The parade will take place rain/snow or shine. (No rain/snow date). Only a significant act of nature will cancel the parade. In case of cancellation of the parade due to severe weather we will post the cancellation on our website: <http://www.visitSmithfieldIsleofwight.com/> and Facebook – Smithfield & Isle of Wight Tourism.

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EQUINE – YOU MUST PROVIDE CLEAN UP FOR YOUR HORSES OR YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED BACK IN THE PARADE.

EQUINE – PLEASE CONSIDER WEARING HELMITS.

LINE UP IS ON CEDAR STREET - The entrance to the parade lineup is from Church Street at Cedar Street. Please plan to arrive early and beat the congestion!

Line up will be complete by 10:45.a m. NO VEHICEL WILL BE ALLOWED ON CEDAR STREET AFTER 10:45 a.m. until after the parade is finish.

Music – I can't believe I must add this to the Christmas Parade application!!! NO MUSIC WITH FOUL LANGUAGE OR ILL INTENT TO ANOTHER PERSON WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE PARADE. If We hear it – you will be escorted out of the parade by the Police and never allowed to enter another Tourism Event.

Fire and Rescue – Turn onto Cedar Street FROM Church Street. Please do not use your audio devices such as sirens and air horns during the parade! We have had numerous complaints about the volume of the sirens and horns, (sorry).

EXIT: As your group finishes the parade, you may exit by turning right onto James Street or stay straight turning right onto Main Street go to the traffic light.

Parade Route

- Line up will start at the corner of Underwood Street and Main Street. **Antique Cars and Police Motorcycles** will line up on Underwood Street and Main Street. **Horses** will line up at the YMCA
- Parade will start at the corner of Underwood Street
- Right on Main Street
- Left on Mason Street
- Left on Grace Street
- Parade ends at Grace Street and James Street
- **Please have a pre-designated location to pick up your child after the parade. Suggested areas to meet your group are the YMCA or Little's old supermarket lot.**

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Participation Waiver

I hereby certify that I am either eighteen (18) years of age or the legal parent/guardian of the child or children who will be participating in the events, programs or activities designated in this registration. In order to participate in said event(s), I, as an adult, or as a parent or guardian for said participant(s), assume the risk of any and all injuries to myself or the participant. I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Isle of Wight County Board of Supervisors and Smithfield & Isle of Wight Tourism Department, along with their successors and assigns, from any and all claims for any injuries suffered or caused by myself or said participant(s) due to participation in said event. I grant my permission to transport the participant(s) to and from said events when required and to hold harmless those assigned to transport. I agree to allow for immediate first aid for any injuries suffered or sustained as deemed necessary by professional medical personnel.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Photo Waiver

Consent to use photographs: Stating further, I authorize Smithfield & Isle of Wight Tourism Convention and Visitors Bureau and its departments to take photographs, audio and video recordings of me and/or my child at any attraction, facility, park, or event for publications used in promoting Tourism in Smithfield and Isle of Wight County.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

For Groups; one signature from your Leader or Team Organizer will suffice.