

### Homecoming Parade Float Safety Checklist

Float driver must check off, sign, and present the checklist to the Parade Officials for verification prior to the start of the Parade.

Name of Float Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ Float & Running Gear: Float and tow vehicle, supporting structure, wheels, tires, and brakes are in good condition and sufficient for safety handling of float with riders on board.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Maintenance: Float and tow vehicle are in good working order, properly serviced with gasoline, oil, and water. Vehicle's proof of insurance is available. No extra gasoline is carried on the float. For emergencies, a horn or other sounding device is present.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Decorations: All decorative materials used are flame retardant, either as manufactured or treated. No sharp or unfinished edges are exposed. If individuals are enclosed within the float or decoration, proper ventilation and emergency exits are provided.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Vision/Communication: Driver has 180 degree forward vision as well as view of float riders.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fire Suppression: The float has at least one 10 lb. ABC Type fire extinguisher which has been serviced, tagged, and dated. It is within easy reach of the float driver and float occupants.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Riders: Each float rider has a sturdy support, hand holds, belt restraints or other means to prevent a fall from the unit. No one shall be located where they could fall under the float. Safety of seated and standing riders will be assessed by the Parade Committee. Alcohol consumption and smoking on the float is prohibited. Riders have been cautioned to remain on the float during the parade and anytime the float is in motion.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Driver: Float driver has a valid driver's license and is competent to drive float safely. Driving under the influence of drugs or intoxicants is prohibited.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Generator: Portable generator, if used, is securely mounted and separated from decorative materials. Generator is equipped with a metal exhaust which extends from the exterior of the unit.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wiring: All float electric wiring used for light or other components are secured and appropriately guarded to prevent shock or fire.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Speeds: Float unit is able to maintain at least 10 mph. Float speed shall not exceed 5 mph when float riders are on board and during parade.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Towing: Towed trailers or towed floats have sturdy two connection and safety cables or chains attached which are of sufficient strength for proper handling.
- \_\_\_\_\_ General: Riders have been advised that objects should not be thrown from the float.

Float Driver Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parade Official Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_