



## RULES AND REGULATIONS – Marshaling

- Entry must be at the designated marshaling area no later than 3:00 pm; do not arrive earlier than 10:00 am. If additional set-up time is required, it must be arranged prior to parade day. Entries not ready by 4:30 pm will be removed from the parade at the discretion of the Parade Marshall.
- Once the entry enters the assembly area, it comes under the authority of the Parade Marshall (or designate).
- Parade Marshall may suspend or cancel any parade entry if it is deemed in violation of any rule and/or regulation. The right to remove an entry may be exercised at any time before or during the parade by the Parade Marshall or designate.
- **Entries will be inspected prior to the parade start. Drivers will be required to show a drivers license and registration/insurance. Any issues identified by the Safety Inspector are required to be resolved prior to 4:30pm – arrive with enough time to be ready.**

## RULES AND REGULATIONS – Safety

- Safety of participants and the general public is the top priority. Safety is the responsibility of each individual entry and entries must comply with all safety, government regulations, codes and manufacturer's recommendations.
- All floats must adhere to fire regulations and carry a 10 lb ABC Dry Chemical Extinguisher (charged, sealed and tagged to indicate date of last service). The extinguisher must be readily accessible and the operator/driver must be familiar with how to operate it. Hay/straw must be treated with a fire retardant substance.
- Give-aways are allowed along the parade route on approval of the Parade Manager. A sample must be provided prior to parade day to obtain approval for distribution. Permitted give-aways must be distributed, in person, along the curb of the parade route only. Safety is a priority. Nothing will be thrown. If anything is thrown from float and/or walkers, the entry risks being prohibited in future parades.
- Containers of fuel are not permitted on any parade entry. Fuel tanks must be



securely fastened and located away from exhaust pipes, generators and must be equipped with an approved cap.

- For identification and safety purposes, the parade requires a list of **every single participating individual – including children, walkers, riders and drivers** – when entry checks in on parade day. **In the unfortunate event of a catastrophic crisis or emergency, the parade and City of Winnipeg need to know who is on-site and who may be missing and still needs to be accounted for. Every participant must wear a red lanyard at all times – if you are bringing more people than originally entered in the description for, you MUST let us know PRIOR to the parade day so we have enough lanyards.**
- The parade has a ZERO TOLERANCE policy for abuse towards anyone, including staff, volunteers, guests, spectators and other entries. Violators should be reported to Parade Officials on route (or afterwards to the Parade Marshall).
- All approved entries with a motorized vehicle must provide a Certificate of Insurance for entry and all entry participants. This includes:
  - Comprehensive General Liability ("CGL.:") insurance with a minimum limit of \$2,000,000 for each occurrence
  - If vehicles are used in entry, automobile liability insurance with a minimum limit of \$2,000,000. A certificate of insurance must be provided prior to parade day. CGL insurance must name the Winnipeg Parade Committee, Manitoba Hydro, JCI Winnipeg, Ethero Inc. and the City of Winnipeg as "additional named insured".
  - The entrant and all participants shall indemnify, defend and save harmless the Winnipeg Parade Committee Inc. Manitoba Hydro, JCI Winnipeg, Ethero Inc., staff, officers, contractors and their representatives, successors and agents from and against all and any claims, losses, costs, expenses, damages and liabilities due to bodily injury or property damage arising directly or indirectly from the participation in all parade activities either before, during or after the parade.

## RULES AND REGULATIONS – Magic of the Season

- All entries are encouraged to decorate entry with the theme "Magic of the Season" in mind. Seasonal music is strongly encouraged.
- **NO SANTA'S ARE PERMITTED EXCEPT ON THE OFFICIAL WINNIPEG SANTA CLAUS PARADE FLOAT.** This includes anyone dressing like or appearing in the



likeness of Santa Claus. Non-compliance will result in immediate removal.

- All components MUST be lit including tow vehicle, walkers and mascots.
- Entries must maintain a forward motion. Counter marching, maneuvering, sidestepping or other action is permitted provided the entry maintains a forward motion, consistent with the pace of the parade.
- All components of entry must stay with entry. Mascots, volunteers, collectors or distributors will not “overflow” into entries before or following entry.
- Alcoholic beverages and smoking are forbidden on any entry and on the parade route. Any participant suspected of being under the influence will be removed.
- Single automobiles are restricted to "invited" guests and are not acceptable as a complete entry. Antique vehicles may be permitted.
- Recognition of commercial sponsors is acceptable, provided it is done tastefully, meets Santa Claus Parade standards and does not dominate the entry. Recognition of sponsors must be done as part of the entry and not as an additional entry associated with float. The Winnipeg Parade Committee reserves the right to reject overtly commercial entries.
- Entry acceptance is at the sole discretion of the Winnipeg Parade Committee. All decisions are final.