

APPLICATION for the 2017 National Blueberry Festival Parade



Parade Date:
Saturday, August 12, 2017
(Line-up in place by 10:00 am
Step-Off at 11:00 am)

Sponsored by
The National Blueberry Festival

*Please review and complete both Page 1 and Page 2 of this application
and return both pages to the address or e-mail listed below.*

**Notice:
START
TIME
11:00 a.m.**

(Please print or type)

Name of Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____ City/State _____ Zip _____

Phone: (H) _____ (W) _____ (Cell) _____

Email _____

Please check all that apply to your entry:

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|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Antique Vehicle | <input type="checkbox"/> Float - Musical? <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N | <input type="checkbox"/> Balloons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equestrian Unit | <input type="checkbox"/> Fraternal/Service Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Clowns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Political Unit | <input type="checkbox"/> Queen <input type="checkbox"/> Car <input type="checkbox"/> Float | <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Unit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Military Unit | <input type="checkbox"/> Musical Group non-band | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Animals | <input type="checkbox"/> Marching Band | |

Complete description of entry or special needs: _____

The following is very important for line-up calculations!!!

Height of Entry _____ Length of Entry _____ Width of Entry _____

Please check any of the following that apply:

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|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Will progress at constant speed | <input type="checkbox"/> Will stop and perform |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Will use amplified sound | <input type="checkbox"/> Will have live animals |

Please read and sign the Waiver of Liability on Page 2.

Mail or fax (269-639-1570) completed application by August 1, 2017 to:

National Blueberry Festival
PO BOX 482
South Haven, MI 49090
or

E-Mail completed registration (both pages) to: info@blueberryfestival.com

Questions/Comments: E-Mail the festival at: info@blueberryfestival.com



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Facts, Policies, and Regulations

Please review and complete both Page 1 and Page 2 of this application and return both pages to the address or e-mail listed on Page 1.

In return for participation in the 2017 National Blueberry Festival Parade, I agree to the following:

**Notice:
START TIME
11:00 a.m.**

1. All units must be in place no less than one (1) hour prior to step-off, or by **10:00 a.m.** Line-Up will be at LC Mohr High School. Please use the entrance on LaGrange. Parade starts at **11:00 a.m.**
2. All children should be accompanied by a parent or adult.
3. Political figures are limited to Southwest Michigan elected officials or candidates. Political figures must provide their own transportation and signs.
4. All mechanical equipment must be in sound condition, equipped with a tow bar or chain in front, carry a fire extinguisher, be at the assigned formation position and ready for inspection by parade officials.
5. Entry and participants must have and be prepared to show proof of insurance.
6. Philosophical messages incorporated into float design should be approved by the parade committee prior to parade or risk the possibility of parade-day exclusion.
7. Placement in the line of march in the parade is at the sole discretion of the parade committee.
8. The Organizers of the National Blueberry Festival and Blueberry Festival Parade reserve the right to deny participation of any individual or organization that is unable to abide by these parade policies or that may be disruptive to the parade, other parade participants, or the festival.
- 9. No objects of any kind may be thrown at spectators.** Please do not throw or hand out candy or other items from a moving vehicle. Throwing items, particularly candy, draws people, primarily children, into the path of the vehicles in the parade. Obviously, this can be extremely dangerous. It is okay to hand out candy along the curbs of streets on the parade route.

IT IS ILLEGAL AND VERY DANGEROUS TO THROW CANDY OR ITEMS FROM MOVING VEHICLES. CANDY IS APPRECIATED BY THE PARADE WATCHERS, BUT MUST BE HANDED OUT ON THE SIDELINES BY A PEDESTRIAN WHO ACCOMPANIES THE FLOAT OR VEHICLE.

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Parade applicants stipulate that the National Blueberry Festival, their agents, employees and representatives have made no representation, promises or guarantees regarding parade positions or preferential treatment of any kind. **All motorized vehicles, individual or organizational, need to provide proof of insurance with their applications.** In consideration of inclusion as a participant in the August 12, 2017 National Blueberry Festival Parade, participant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of South Haven and the National Blueberry Festival members, agents, employees, representatives and assigns from and against any and all liability, loss, costs, demand, claims, fines, debts or judgments that participant or participant's members, performers, employees, independent contractors and/or volunteers may sustain or incur as a result of or arising from participant's involvement in the 2017 National Blueberry Festival Parade, such indemnification to include reasonable attorney fees.

BY SIGNING THIS FORM, I AGREE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL FACTS, POLICIES AND REGULATIONS. I ALSO AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Print Name _____

Signed _____ Date _____