



2026 PARADE RULES

BAND AND MARCHING UNITS:

1. Judging of bands and marching units will be done at the assembly area and along the parade route.
2. Marching units with bands (other than drill teams or majorettes) will be judged with the band they accompany as part of the band.

HORSE ENTRIES: NO UNIT WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT A CLEAN-UP UNIT!

FLOAT SAFETY REQUIREMENTS: (All floats must meet safety requirements)

1. All participants standing or sitting on floats must be wearing a safety belt or have handholds while the float is moving. Floats that do not have the above will not be allowed on the parade.
2. All components **MUST** be completely decorated.
3. All units **MUST** be properly constructed to allow no chance of breakdown during parade, have good brakes & provide good driver vision and ventilation.
4. Must have someone capable of driving and attending float at all times while in assembly area.
5. Base requirements, Prov. of BC road travel: Length – 45 ft (for single vehicle), Length – 65 ft (for articulated vehicles)
6. Carry a fire extinguisher (dry chemical at least 5 lbs). Be sure it is in good working order and know how to use it. The Fire Department may conduct inspections on the morning of the parade.
7. Exhaust pipe must be wrapped with fire protective materials where it passes near any decorations.
8. Must be properly serviced with gasoline, water oil, have tires checked and battery in good condition.
9. No smoking on or near floats.

JUDGES WILL BE SELECTED BY THE PARADE COMMITTEE AND THEIR DECISION IS FINAL.

GENERAL POLICIES & PRACTICES:

1. All entries are by invitation and /or application must be approved by the Parade Committee.
2. Parade entries must observe all rules and regulations that are issued from time to time by the Cloverdale Rodeo & Exhibition Parade Committee and follow instructions from Police and Parade officials.
3. The Cloverdale Rodeo & Exhibition Parade Committee reserves the right to remove any entrant from the parade either prior to assembly, at assembly, or any time during the parade.

4. Floats or other entries advocating, opposing, or depicting any political, religious or social issues that in the opinion of the Parade Committee do not meet the objectives of the parade will not be allowed.
5. No material may be handed out, thrown, or in any way distributed from any entry. Entrants may use accompanying pedestrians to walk along both sides of the parade route distributing items directly to the public, and must not cause any delay of the parade.
6. A spacing of 25 feet between each parade entry will be enforced. All units are required to close the gap between units when ordered by the Parade officials.
7. Parade participants must keep pace with the line of march and may not mingle with spectators. All units must maintain forward motion at all times.
8. Alcoholic beverages are forbidden on any float, in any vehicle or on the person of any participant. Participants consuming alcohol prior to or during the parade are subject to removal from the parade.
9. Entries that do not appear for the parade without prior notice to parade officials, or entries that do not comply with the rules and regulations, jeopardize future invitations to the Cloverdale Rodeo & Exhibition Parade.
10. The Parade Committee reserves the right to limit the number of entries in each category.
11. The Parade Committees' decision regarding all entries is final.
12. Floats must be delivered to the parade formation area no later than 8:15 am.
13. Place your entry in the direction of arrows alongside the number, which you will be assigned.
14. Numbers will be placed in the marshalling areas.
15. All floats, after having completed the parade route, will disperse in the marshalling area. It is imperative the dispersal be obeyed.
16. In case any float breaks down, obtain help from parade officials to quickly push entry out of the parade line up and to the curb side. In the event a float develops a flat tire or for any other reason cannot proceed under its own power or be towed, get it off the parade route and to the curb side.
17. In the event a float breaks down all parade entries are to proceed around any such problems. Do not worry about being out of sequence. We must keep the parade moving.
18. Parade formation committee members will be stationed along the route and have the authority to regulate spacing and take care of any problems that may develop. Co-operation with these officials will be appreciated.
19. All entries MUST produce documentation of liability insurance for entry into the Parade. Failure to produce such documentation will result in non-participation in the Parade. Please include a copy of this documentation, when sending your Parade application forms in.
20. Please ensure that you can provide drivers license and proof of insurance at registration.