

LIGHTS OF LUGOFF CHRISTMAS PARADE PARTICIPANT GUIDELINES

1. All entries should have some form of Christmas decorations. All entries, including marchers, must be lit for evening viewing. Just when you think you have enough lights....**ADD MORE and then ADD MORE!!** Be creative and use any lighted Christmas holiday decorations, string lights, battery operated lights for marchers and float riders, spot lights, inflatables, etc.
2. All entries are encouraged to have music; this is what makes a parade fun! The selections must be Christmas related and appropriate for young children.
3. The most common power source is called an inverter. These can be found in the auto section of most discount stores or at auto parts stores. Professional floats rented through Optimist Club will have a power source.
4. All entries should provide their own signs. We want you to be recognized for your efforts, so BIG signs with LARGE simple lettering works best. Professional floats rented through Optimist Club include two signs.
5. In order not to confuse young children, no entry may include a live Santa. The "REAL SANTA" will arrive in high style at the end of the parade.

THE FOLLOWING RULES ARE DUE TO SAFETY:

6. **DRIVERS MUST MAINTAIN A ONE CAR LENGTH SPACE BETWEEN EACH OTHER.** This will eliminate gaps in the parade and allow the flow of the parade to be consistent. Please be sure to notify your driver of this rule!!
7. Motorcycles, bicycles, 4-wheelers and mini-cars are allowed only when part of an organization. Absolutely no revving of engines or burn outs will be allowed. This will result in your entire group being removed from parade route.
8. Candy or any other items **may not be thrown** from any float or vehicle. You may have walkers with your entry to hand out candy or other promotional material to spectators on the sides...everyone likes to get free stuff!
9. Every float with children must have at least 1 adult for every 5 children.

END OF PARADE OPTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS:

10. WALKERS end at Powers Funeral Home. HORSES end at the field on Boulware Road. ANY/ALL parade participants return to the starting point by turning on Boulware Road.

Your entry will be judged by the Lights of Lugoff judges who will be located on the stage in front of Mitch Rabon Realty. Winners will be posted on the website following the parade and an award will be delivered.