Festival of Lights Christmas Parade

THEME: “Lights of Christmas"

Moultrie, GA

December 10, 2026 PM

Applications are due on December 4th at the Downtown Welcome Center located at 31 East Central Ave. before 5:00 PM.

Entry Name:_____

Contact Person:_____

Full Address: _____

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Cell Phone#:_____

Email:_____

Please check the appropriate category you feel will qualify for your entry:

___School ___Church ___Organization/Club

___Commercial Business (___ 16 Employees & over) (___15 Employees & under)

Line-up begins at 3:00 PM
Christmas Parade Step-off at 6:00 PM

Make checks payable to Moultrie CVB or Moultrie Convention and Visitors Bureau

___ I have enclosed cash, check, or money order for $20.

The Festival of Lights Christmas Parade will light up the streets of Downtown Moultrie as it makes its way through the heart of the city. This beloved holiday tradition has become known as one of the largest Christmas parades in South Georgia. Gather your family and friends, bring your chairs, and enjoy an unforgettable evening filled with festive floats, dazzling lights, and holiday cheer! From creative parade entries to twinkling displays, there's something for visitors of all ages to enjoy. Make plans to arrive early, find the perfect spot along the parade route, and experience the magic of Christmas in Downtown Moultrie.

Float entries are always encouraged as they make the parade bigger and better. A float is classified as an automobile pulling a trailer or flatbed. Float decorations and parade float kits may be purchased at Prospex Promotions.

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DOWNTOWN MOULTRIE

PARADE: RULES & REGULATIONS:

1. The parade will begin at the Presbyterian Church and continue north around the Square. It will disband at the intersection of South Main and 11th Ave. (red light at CVS). You must not break out of line until police have given you directions to do so.

2. Entries may begin lining up no earlier than 3:00 PM in the right lane of 1st Street SE, south of the Presbyterian Church parking lot. Entries will be placed in line on a first-come basis and will be directed into position by parade officials traveling on golf carts. DO NOT park your float without checking in w/parade officials. If this is not done, your entry could be moved to the end of the parade line. All entries must be lined up by 5:15 PM. No spaces will be saved. If you want to be next to certain entries, you must arrive together in line. DO NOT PARK YOUR ENTRY AND LEAVE IT UNATTENDED!

3. If you have several participants riding on your float, meet everyone in a designated area and THEN get in line. Please do not plan to meet on the street; No one will be permitted to drive up the line to drop off riders. It is not allowed.

4. PLEASE NOTE: To maintain the overall effects of this parade, only vehicles featuring light displays will be allowed. The only exceptions will be cars for dignitaries and walking groups. The more lights you have, the better. No trucks, cars, etc. will be allowed unless lighting effects are created by participants. Participants who do not meet these guidelines will be asked to remove their entries from the lineup before entering the parade route.

5. All units must be decorated for the Christmas season and should have the sponsor's name displayed on both sides of the entry with a MINIMUM of six-inch letters. If music is played on or from an entry, the music must be appropriate to the season and family-friendly.

6. A licenced responsible adult MUST operate all go-karts and motor bikes. Burnouts, revving, or stunt driving maneuvers will not be tolerated during the parade. If this rule is broken, we reserve the right to ban the group from the parade.

7. Participants will be responsible for obtaining spaces for decorating and building floats. Beauty queens and other entries are responsible for obtaining their own vehicles. All entries should be complete at the time of line-up. No materials will be available for last-minute repairs and additions.

8. Due to liability issues, no horses or semi-trucks will be allowed in the parade. Livestock must ride on a float.

9. The parade will move at a walking pace at all times. Please refrain from having gaps in front of you.

10. As a safety precaution, CANDY and ANY OTHER ITEMS are not allowed to be THROWN to the crowd.

11. No children under the age of seven can ride on a float in the parade without direct supervision of an adult on the float. No children under twelve years of age are allowed to participate in the parade or walk beside the float without adult supervision.

12. DO NOT include Santa in your display. Santa will appear in the parade directly from the North Pole.

13. Safety precaution: Discharge of any firearm or fireworks in the parade is prohibited.

14. Parade Marshals have the authority to seek the removal of any person or units from the parade when, in their judgment, parade guidelines are being violated. Police, Security, the General Chairperson, or the Parade Coordinator will be contacted immediately should this circumstance occur.

15. Remember that we cannot control the weather. If weather conditions are considered extreme and unsafe by the Parade Coordinator, the parade may be canceled and will possibly be rescheduled.

16. Winners will be announced on the Downtown Moultrie Facebook page. There will be a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winner in each category. Award winners will be notified of the award ceremony.

17. This is an outdoor event that will take place around the Colquitt County Courthouse square. There will be no refunds due to inclement weather.

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I hereby certify that I have read the rules and regulations and agree to abide by them.
I certify that I will have a copy of these rules in my possession throughout the parade.

Signature:_____ **Name & Date (please print):** _____

INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is acknowledged, the undersigned (s) agree to indemnify, defend, and hold free and harmless, the **CITY OF MOULTRIE**, a Georgia Municipal Corporation, and each of its members, agents, servants, employees, officers, and council members, from and against any and all actions, claims, liabilities, assertions of liability, losses, costs, and expenses including, but not limited to, attorney fees, reasonable investigative and discovery costs, and court costs, which in any manner may arise or be alleged to have arisen, or resulted, or alleged to have resulted, from the presence, activities, or promotions of any nature or otherwise, including participation in the Christmas Parade on the 10th day of December, 2026 of the undersigned, its/his/her agents, servants, relatives, children, spouse or employees, within the territorial limits of the City of Moultrie or Colquitt County, including, but not limited to, claim or claims for bodily injury or death or persons, and for loss of or damage to property, including claims or loss by its/his/her agents, servants, relatives, children, spouse, or employees, however caused, including, but not limited to, inherent dangers or risks associated therewith.

The undersigned (s) further agree to abide by any and all Rules, Regulations, Policies or Procedures promulgated by the City of Moultrie with respect to the activities set forth herein.

Indemnity under this agreement shall commence on the date of execution hereof or 12-10-26 and shall continue in full force until 12-10-26

The undersigned (s) have executed this agreement on the 10th at

parade line-up [designate place of execution].

parade line-up [designate place of execution].

WITNESS our hand and seals this 10th day of December, 2026.

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Printed Name	Printed Name
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Printed Name	Printed Name