



Festival of Lights Christmas Parade

Moultrie, GA

December 12, 2024



PARADE THEME: "A Vintage Christmas"

To maintain the overall effects of the night time parade, only vehicles featuring light displays will be allowed with only the exception of cars for dignitaries. No trucks, cars, full size semis or other means of transportation will be allowed unless lighting effects are created by participants. Participants not meeting these guidelines will be asked to remove their entry from the line up prior to entering parade route.

Entry Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Full Address: _____

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)

☐ I have enclosed a check or money order for \$20.

☐ I have enclosed a small description of my entry to be read during the parade.

☐ I will e-mail my description in to mainstreet@moultriega.com

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

Christmas in Downtown Moultrie December 12, 2024 6:00 PM

Festival of Lights Christmas Parade will light up the sky as it makes its way downtown. This traditional parade is becoming known as one of the largest in South Georgia. Bring your friends and bring your chairs.

2024 Parade Theme: "A Vintage Christmas"

CATEGORIES:

- Church (1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place)
- Organization / Club (1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place)
- School (1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place)
- Commercial Business
- 16 employees & over (1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place)
- Commercial Business
- 15 employees & under (1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place)

Float entries are always encouraged as it makes the parade bigger and better. Only floats will be judged. A float is classified as a truck pulling a trailer or flatbed. Float decorations and parade float kits may be purchased at Prospex Promotions.



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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 east 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-up to drop off riders.
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 not meeting these guidelines will be asked to remove their entries from the lineup prior to 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 entry with a MINIMUM of six inch letters.** If music is played on or from a entry, the music must be appropriate to the season.
6. All go-carts and motor bikes **MUST** be under the supervision of a responsible adult. **Burnouts, revving, or stunt driving maneuvers will not be tolerated during the parade. If this rule is broken we reserve the right to band**
7. Participants will be responsible for obtaining spaces for decorating and building floats. Beauty queens and other entrants are responsible for obtaining their own vehicle. All entries should be complete at time of line-up. No materials will be available for last minute repairs and additions.
8. **Due to liability issues, no horses will be allowed in the parade.**
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, **NO CANDY OR ANY OTHER ITEMS will be allowed to be THROWN to the crowd. Discharge of any type of firearm in the parade is prohibited.**
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 within the parade "line of march" without adult supervision.
12. **DO NOT include Santa in your display.** Santa will appear in the parade directly from the North Pole.
13. All entries (without exception) must have an entry card on file at the Downtown Welcome Center located on 31 East Central Ave. before 5:00 PM on December 6th.
14. A description or history of the entry, in less than twenty words, must be turned in. This should be included with the entry card at registration. If it is not completed one week prior to the parade, it must be delivered to the Downtown Moultrie Welcome Center, located at 31 East Central Ave., Moultrie, GA 31768, or emailed to mainstreet@moultriega.com. **Entry Name must be at the top of the e-mail.**
15. Parade Marshals have the authority to seek the removal of any person or units from the parade, when in their judgement, parade guidelines are being violated. Police, Security, the General chairperson, or the Parade Coordinator will be contacted immediately should this circumstance occur.
16. Remember that we cannot control the weather. If weather conditions are considered extreme and unsafe by the Parade Coordinator, the parade may be cancelled and will possibly be rescheduled.
17. Winners will be announced on social media sites and the Downtown Moultrie Facebook page. Award winners will be notified of award ceremony.

I hereby certify that I have read the rules and regulation and agree to abide by them.

I will have a copy of these rules in my possession during the parade.

Signature: _____

Name (please print): _____