



Downtown Crystal Lake / Main Street  
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Thank you for your interest in the Festival of Lights Holiday Parade. The parade will step off at 7PM on Friday, November 24, 2017. This is the only night-time parade in Crystal Lake.

This year's parade theme is, "A Candy Cane Christmas". It is our hope the theme will generate extra interest and spur ideas for your entry. A sixth trophy is being added to our standard lineup:

Best Use of Lights  
Best Use of Music  
Most Creative  
Most Enthusiastic  
Judge's Choice  
Best of Theme - "A Candy Cane Christmas"

The goal of the Festival of Lights Parade is to create a safe, fun, magical event to kick-off the holiday season in Crystal Lake.

Please return your completed and signed Application AND Safety Rules Agreement. We take safety seriously, and know that you do too.

If you have any questions, please call or email Downtown Crystal Lake.

**APPLICATION - FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS PARADE**  
**Friday Evening, November 24, 2017 @ 7:00 PM**

*Please return ASAP - A limited number of entries will be accepted!*

Name of Group (Entrant): \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact/Representative Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Entry Information**

Vehicle?  Yes  No Limit ONE vehicle per group entry (unless special permission granted)  
If Yes:  Car or truck (no trailer)  Vehicle with Trailer Float (Total Length \_\_\_\_\_)  
(State law requires that all vehicles on public roads cannot exceed 13'6" high or 8'6" wide)

Marchers?  Yes (# \_\_\_\_\_)  No Limit of 50 marchers per unit. Larger groups must split up.

Does your unit have amplified music?  Yes  No

Special Needs? \_\_\_\_\_

Animals?  Yes  No If so, what kind and quantity? \_\_\_\_\_

**Announcer Script:** Please include a few lines describing your entry which will be used by the parade announcer: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**AGREEMENT**

In consideration of approval of the entry as a participant in the FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS PARADE, the undersigned on his/her behalf of all participants in the entry of the parade shall save and hold harmless the Historic Downtown District of Crystal Lake, Inc., City of Crystal Lake, sponsors, staff and volunteers organizing the parade from any and all claims, demands, causes of action, litigation or liability related to injury to the entrant or other participants of the entrant or damages to property of the entrant or participants of the entrant or liability related to injuries to third parties or damages to properties of third parties by reason of the entrant's participation in the Festival of Lights Parade.

I represent for myself and on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ (entrant), that I have the authority to execute this application and agreement. I understand that unless this Application and Safety Rules Agreement are completed and executed in its entirety, the entrant may not participate in the Festival of Lights Parade.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## SAFETY RULES AGREEMENT - Festival of Lights Parade

The Festival of Lights Parade is a great event, filled with the wonder and excitement of the holiday season. Our goal is to have a safe and enjoyable parade. As a participant in the parade, your group must act responsibly and follow **ALL** of these safety rules:

- Your group will be assigned to a parade marshal. You must follow your parade marshal's directions.
- Although candy is permitted, we do not wish for it to be the focus of the parade. We prefer you spend your \$\$ and time on your parade entry decorations and lights. If you choose to hand out candy, please be aware there will be **NO CANDY THROWING ALLOWED!** This creates a dangerous situation of young children rushing into the streets to grab candy. Adults only (ages 18+) walking with your group may hand candy to spectators.
- If your parade unit has a vehicle, any walkers must walk behind the vehicle. Do not walk alongside or in front.
- Participants on floats must remain on the float during the entire parade. ***NOBODY is allowed to get ON or OFF a float during the parade!*** Anybody starting out on the float must stay on the float until the unit returns to City Hall (ending location).

I have read and agree to the above Safety Rules for the Festival of Lights Parade. I understand that I am responsible to make sure all of my group's participants are aware of these rules. I understand that if my group violates any of these rules, we could be immediately removed from the parade and will NOT be allowed to participate in next year's event.

Group Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact/Representative Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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