



# Benton City Daze Parade Rules and Regulations

## **Safety Regulations**

Reckless or dangerous driving will not be tolerated!

No participant can possess or be under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or illegal substances. Smoking is not allowed at any time. Bottled water and soda cans are permitted. No glass containers are allowed.

If an entrants group plans to distribute candy, prizes, or other items, the entrants group must have an adult to distribute the items. Exhibiting dangerous behaviors and/or tricks may also lead to disqualification and expulsion from future events. **When throwing candy please try to make it as close to the sidewalk as possible to ensure that children are not running out into the street.** We want to keep all spectators and participants as safe as possible.

There must be at least one (1) adult for every five (5) children below the age of sixteen (16) on the float at all times. The adult must be associated with the organization sponsoring the float.

Each float being pulled must have a spotter in the vehicle that is towing the float, other than the driver, who can view and communicate with the driver if/when a problem arises. If the vehicle has no cab, the spotter must be present beside the float.

All vehicles in the parade must be able to navigate the entire parade route and make all the turns and clearances without difficulty. It is the responsibility of each driver/entrant to ensure that their float clears all obstacles (tree limbs, buildings, overhanging utility wires, ect.)

## **General Regulations**

Each participant shall be responsible for the conduct of each and every participant and agrees to notify each participant of the Rules & Regulations. The Benton City Chamber of Commerce has the right to deny participation of any entry or person failing to comply with the Rules & Regulations.

If the entrant includes animals you are expected to have a waste detail walking immediately behind with the appropriate shovels and buckets. **If the entrant doesn't not have the appropriate cleanup detail, entry in the parade will be denied.** Animals must be listed on the application. Entrants are expected to maintain control of their animal(s) at all times; riders not exhibiting control will be removed from the parade for the safety of entrant and spectators. Entrants must not allow animal contact with spectators. Horses must be "bagged" or followed by cleanup detail. The staging area for any entrant with animals shall be left clean. Line up for entrants with animals will be in the parking lot of the tennis courts and shall enter before the fire department trucks.

Unless there is an emergency, participants are not allowed to get on or off floats or vehicles while in motion. You may not pick up or drop off riders during the parade route.

All motorized vehicles must be driven by a driver aged eighteen (18) or older. Drivers of any vehicle must have a valid driver's license and liability insurance. Participants should be aware that emergency vehicles may need to leave during the parade if an emergency arises.

All vehicles should be thoroughly inspected for gas, water, oil, ect. leaks prior to the start of the parade.

This is a controlled, forward motion parade. If the entrant experiences problems during the parade, please exit the parade route immediately and locate a volunteer for assistance. The parade processions should not be blocked or delayed for any reason.

To reduce gaps, vehicles should be limited to the speed or pace of a slow walk and remain within two car lengths of the preceding entry. At no time may any vehicle travel more than 5 mph.

Companies or organizations that walk in the parade are encouraged to carry a banner displaying the name of the group or company.

### **Lineup Instructions**

Non-parade vehicles are not allowed in the staging area. Line up areas may become congested with vehicles, pedestrians (including young children) and all types of parade entries. Be aware of and yield to all pedestrians. Pedestrians need to pay attention to all moving vehicles in the parade lineup area.

Parade route begins at the Kiona-Benton Middle School bus parking lot on Grace Ave. **Each entrant must stop at the registration table to check in before lining up in the staging area.** (horses and livestock will stage in the tennis courts) The parade route will continue down 9th St to Babs Ave. **If you are leaving town you may continue down Babs. If you are returning to the staging area take a right on Babs Ave and continue to grace Ave.**

Benton City Daze:  
September 14th

Parade begins at 11:00AM, Check-in begins at 9:00AM

**Must Be Registered By 10:30AM**

**ALL DRIVER MEETING AT 10:30**