

**AN INFRACTION OF ANY RULE, WHILE IN THE PARKING LOT OR ON THE PARADE ROUTE, WILL RESULT IN A 5 POINT SCORE REDUCTION FOR EACH INFRACTION. (exception #5)**

**PARADE RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The parade registrar is Linda Jeffers Bagley '69. Register floats by calling 603-359-4877 or email [линдасue216@gmail.com](mailto:линдасue216@gmail.com). Floats must be registered WITH THE PARADE CHAIR by June 1<sup>st</sup> in order to be eligible for judging. First come, first registered. Floats not registered by June 1<sup>st</sup> are still welcome.

**FOR OBVIOUS SAFETY REASONS ONLY FLOATS** are to enter at the Village Pizza entrance from 9:00 to 10:00 AM. There will be someone there to direct you to your staging area. Parade participants must park in an adjoining parking lot. Do **NOT** ask security to let you into the float area. There is easy access to the float area from the parking lot behind City Hall/Mascoma Bank.

**Float participants need to be on the float no later than 10:45 AM for judging. Select one classmate to be the spokesperson. S/he will be responsible for explaining your float to the judges.**

1. Classes are required to have their theme and year of graduation visible from the front of the float/truck.
2. No part of the float shall measure higher than 12 feet from the pavement.
3. Due to insurance restrictions, no live animals are allowed in the parade — with the exception of horses (restrictions apply).
4. STATE LAW: “No person may use any type of vehicle with protruding or outrigger wheels in a parade unless the vehicle is suitably modified to protect both riders and pedestrians from the wheel assembly.”
5. There will be no drinking of alcoholic beverages or use of a controlled substance on or around the floats at any time before or during the parade - **This is grounds for disqualification.**
6. **NOTHING IS TO BE THROWN FROM THE FLOAT (including water)**- Participants walking alongside their float may gently toss candy/treats into the crowd and AWAY from the float.
7. There must be 1 adult to supervise each group of 4 children, whether they are on the float or walking beside. The adults must stay with their group of 4 at all times. **NEW THIS YEAR:** Bicycles, scooters, roller blades/skates, skateboards, etc. are not allowed in the parade.
8. Participants SHALL NOT attempt to get on/off any float once the parade is underway.



**All floats will be judged in the following areas, a total of 30 points can be earned:**

**A) Appearance**

**1. Quality:**

- a: Handmade: costumes, signs, decorations, furniture — earn up to 5 points
- b: Finished Look: painted, no rough edges, overall coverage of trailer — earn up to 5 points

**2. Action**

- a: Technology: water, mechanics, lights, sound — earn up to 5 points
- b: Class Action: appropriate to theme, continuous throughout parade, having fun — earn up to 5 pts

**B) How well theme is carried out**

1. To parade theme – earn up to 5 points
2. To your float theme – earn up to 5 points

**We have supplied a dumpster for your convenience in breaking down your float. Please use only the dumpster set on the backside of the parking lot next to the river. Break down all cardboard and other bulky materials in order to give everyone else room.**

**NOTE:** Please remember to thank and pay your truck drivers. The drivers come out year after year for us and usually on their own time. Please think about compensating your driver. We suggest a gratuity of \$100.

