

2017 33rd Annual Patriots Parade Rules and Criteria

1. THE DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTING ENTRIES IS FRIDAY, JUNE 23rd, 2017.
2. EACH ENTRY MAY BE SUBJECT TO INSPECTION BY HUTCHINSON POLICE DEPARTMENT TO INSURE SAFETY TO ALL PARTICIPANTS OF PARADE AS WELL AS THE PUBLIC WATCHING THE PARADE.
3. ENTRIES WILL BE INFORMED ON POSITION OF PARADE LINEUP BY E-MAIL OR TELEPHONE. WE WILL CALL YOU THE WEEK OF THE PARADE TO LET YOU KNOW WHEN TO ARRIVE.
4. WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO DENY ENTRY IN THE PARADE FOR REASONS OF CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY US TO MAINTAIN CERTAIN SAFETY STANDARDS, TO PRESERVE THE SPIRIT OF THE PATRIOTS PARADE AND TO MAINTAIN THE IDEA OF PROMOTING AN EVENT FOR FAMILY ENJOYMENT.
5. THE PARADE ROUTE WILL STAGE WEST OF MAIN ON AVENUE B, THEN HEAD UP MAIN STREET TO 12TH STREET, THEN EAST ON 12TH FOR A HALF BLOCK, ENDING AT THE HUTCHINSON CLINIC, AT WHICH POINT ENTRIES WILL DISBAND IN THE PARKING AREA. PLEASE DO NOT BLOCK THE STREET.
6. EACH GROUP IS CHARGED WITH MAKING CERTAIN THAT ALL MEMBERS OF GROUP ARE IN PLACE AT THE DESIGNATED SPACE ASSIGNED AT THE TIME ANNOUNCED. VEHICLES, DRIVERS, AND VEHICLE SIGNS WILL NOT BE FURNISHED. YOU MUST FURNISH YOUR OWN.
7. FOR THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN ALONG THE PARADE ROUTE, DO NOT THROW CANDY OR ANY OBJECTS FROM OR NEAR MOVING VEHICLES...THE PARADE MARSHALL WILL ENFORCE THIS RULE AND ANYONE THROWING ITEMS OR CANDY FROM MOVING VEHICLES IN THE PARADE WILL BE ELIMINATED FROM THE PARADE IMMEDIATELY. (IT IS OK TO HAVE PEOPLE WALK ALONG THE EDGE OF THE STREET AND HAND OUT CANDY.)
8. ALL UNITS MUST BE DECORATED TO REFLECT PATRIOTISM OF THE PARADE. CARDS, BANNERS, SIGNS, ETC. FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES ARE ALLOWED AS LONG AS EACH ENTRY IS A PATRIOTIC THEME.
9. HEIGHT RESTRICTION FOR FLOATS AND TRUCKS: NO TALLER THAN 25 FEET... OTHERWISE, YOU WILL HIT POWER LINES!
10. PLEASE KEEP THESE RULES FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.
11. NO ENTRY FEE IS REQUIRED...THE PARADE IS FREE
12. LISTEN TO COUNTRY 102.9 OR MY 93-1 IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER THE DAY OF THE PARADE.