



12th ANNUAL MASHPEE CHRISTMAS PARADE PARTICIPANT GUIDELINES

Parade Date: Saturday, December 9th, 2017, 5:30PM
Assembly Line Up: 4:00pm, Deer Crossing, Mashpee
Parade Theme: Mashpee Celebrates Under the Stars

- Please complete the enclosed Entry Form and sign the Waiver of Liability, returning both along with the appropriate entry fee to the Chamber office **no later than December 1, 2017**. Cancellation notices must be received by the Chamber Office no later than noon on Dec. 5th. There will be no refunds for cancellations
- Entries must be at least **50%** decorated when they arrive for line up at the Deer Crossing staging area
- Floats will line up at the Upper Level Parking Lot at Deer Crossing. Bands will park their busses and line up in the Rockland Trust Parking Lot. Walkers/ Marchers will line up in the Eastern Bank Parking lot.
- Personal parking will be available in the lower level of Deer Crossing. **There will be ABSOLUTELY NO CARS ALLOWED IN THE UPPER LEVEL PARKING LOT AT DEER CROSSING.** If you have items to place on your float, do so before entering the upper level for staging.
- This is an evening parade, therefore **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ILLUMINATED!**
- No handouts, flyers, brochures, advertisements, solicitations, toys, prizes, etc. are allowed for distribution along or on the parade route. For the safety of the spectators, absolutely no candy may be thrown during the parade. Candy may be handed out by attendants walking in the parade. Failure to comply with this rule will result in the business being billed for the cleanup.
- No political campaigning during the parade. Elected officials will be invited to participate.
- All Floats should include either live or recorded holiday music.
- No alcoholic beverages are permitted on or around parade entries or route
- In order to not confuse small children, please remember that there is **only one Santa Claus**, and he will be at the end of the parade.
- Entries will be judged during the course of the parade. The categories for awards are: Best Children's Entry, Best in Theme, Most Holiday Spirit, Most Original, and Best in Show. Trophies and other recognition for parade winners will be done on a date to be determined after the parade.