Rhododendron Parade Rules

Parade rules have been developed to assure that the parade will be top quality, colourful and enjoyable to participants and the audience. It is in the spirit that we ask you to adhere to the rules.

Awards will be distributed by Carson Park. The announcer's stage is located on H Street in front of Carson Park, and they will announce each entry as it comes by the stage and hand our awards there. Political entries please note Rules 1 and 5.

NO STOPPING THE PARADE: Unauthorized stops in the parade causes gaps – gaps cause disruptions to the audiences' experience and safety problems for other entries in front and behind your entry. No stopping for TV Cameras – The camera will follow you.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE DECORATED: Exceptions are mounted horse entries, antique cars, drill teams and bands or entries for which decorations and other costumes are impractical or defeat the purpose of the entry. Commercial vehicles must be decorated over one quarter of the vehicle.

NUMBERS: Must be attached on the front side of each entry. Numbered cards will be furnished the morning of the parade in the staffing area. We will attach the numbers with masking tape. If this is not suitable be prepared to attach the number to your entry using an alternate method.

PLEASE DO NOT THROW ANYTHING FROM A FLOAT OR MOVING VEHICLE: Anything you wish to give to onlookers should only be handed out by the walkers who accompany your float. These rules are for the safety of child.

PERFORMING ENTRIES: Bands and drill teams are encouraged and should perform continuously, even while they are at rest.

ALL ENTRIES ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN A WAIVER OF LIABILITY: Please arrange for an authorized person to sign the waiver.

LATE ENTRIES AND PARTICIPANTS: May be denied a place in the parade or be placed at the end of the parade.

AFTER THE PARADE ENDS: Feel free to clean off floats, vehicles, etc. at the ending location. Be considerate and, take with you, whatever you remove from your entry. Please clean up after all animals.

THE PARADE COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT: Any entry which the committee feels is inappropriate or not keeping in the spirit of the festival may be disqualified from participating in the parade.

BE SAFE: Be aware that you are on public roads and traffic laws still apply. Questions: Contact Barry Pires- bpires@camptonelectric.com