

City of Hamlet
Christmas Parade of Lights
Thursday, December 5, 2024
Line-Up at 5:15 pm – Parade at 6 pm
Rain or Shine

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE IN THEIR ASSIGNED SPOT BY 5:45 PM ON PARADE DAY
Parade entry deadline is November 27th by 4 pm, no late applications accepted!

Please check your entry type & specify if you would like for your entry to be judged. Professional float entries will not be judged. Lineup spots are 30' in length, please specify how many spots you will need for your entry.

**JUDGING CATEGORIES: BAND, BRIGHTEST, BUSINESS, CHURCH GROUP,
COMMUNITY GROUP (includes walking groups), DIRECTOR'S CHOICE**

Would you like for your entry to be judged? **YES** **NO**

_____ **Motorized Entry:** \$35 each- Car/Truck, Golf Cart/Utility Terrain Vehicle, Motorcycles, Flatbed, or Homemade Float.

_____ Band _____ Business _____ Church Group _____ Community Group **# of spaces** _____

_____ **Walking Entry:** \$15 each with a maximum of \$60 per group **# of spaces** _____

_____ **Professional Float:** full \$475 OR half \$237.50- A limited number of pre-decorated floats will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Your SPONSOR NAME will be on each side of the float. These entries will not be judged. Entries are responsible for obtaining their sponsorships.

Sponsor Name: _____

Entry Name: _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

ALL PARADE INFORMATION WILL BE SENT VIA EMAIL!!!

The undersigned person, corporation or other entity agrees to have read, understood and will fully comply with all City of Hamlet Christmas Parade rules and regulations. In consideration of allowing participants to take part in the Christmas Parade, whether or not a fee has been paid, the participant agrees to save, defend, and hold harmless the City of Hamlet, NC and its agents, employees, sponsors, partners and volunteers from any and all claims for damages for injury (including death) and property damage arising out of participants involvement with the parade.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Office Use: Paid Date _____ **Float # if assigned** _____

Payment can be made at Hamlet Visitors Center, 12 W Main St. (exact cash, check) , Hamlet City Hall Water Dept. (cash, check, card), or mailed to PO Box 1229 Hamlet, NC 28345.

Please make checks payable to the City of Hamlet.

For any questions regarding the event please contact the Hamlet Visitor Center: (910) 582-0603.

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General Rules and Regulations

General Entry Information

Entries must observe all applicable rules and regulations and follow all instructions from police and parade officials. The City of Hamlet Parade Committee reserves the right to remove any entrant from the parade, either prior to assembly, at assembly, or any time during the parade if they fail to observe the Christmas Parade “Rules and Regulations” or conform to the standards of reasonable public safety and moral standards.

- **Parade entry deadline is 4 pm November 27th. No day of entries will be allowed!!**
- **ALL PARADE DETAILS WILL BE SENT VIA EMAIL!!**
- **Only one official Santa Claus will be allowed in the parade, as designated by the Parade Committee.**
- **All entries should utilize the Christmas Season Theme and be lit or reflect light. Examples of acceptable lighting: spotlights, flashing lights & accessories, glow sticks, and battery-operated candles/string/rope lights.**
- **All entries will be assigned a parade spot number prior to the parade. Please go to your assigned parade spot number. Display your number on the right-hand side of your entry.**
- **ITEMS CANNOT BE THROWN DIRECTLY FROM A FLOAT!**
 - Walkers handing out items from a float are permitted.
- **All music must be appropriate holiday music.**
- **All motorized (gas or electric) vehicles must be operated by a person with a valid state-issued motor vehicle operator’s license.**
- **Alcoholic beverages are forbidden on any float, in any vehicle or on the person of any participant. Participants consuming alcohol prior to or during the parade will be removed from the line-up and subject to prosecution by law.**
- **NO HORSES allowed in the parade.**
- **FAILURE TO FOLLOW RULES AND REGULATIONS MAY RESULT IN
NON-PARTICIPATION IN FUTURE EVENTS/PARADES**

Please follow us on social media & check out our website (hamletnc.us) for updates on the parade and future events. Facebook: [City of Hamlet](#), [Visit Hamlet, NC](#), [Hamlet Depot and Museums](#)

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**We hope to make the City of Hamlet Christmas Parade of Lights as safe and bright as possible.
The brighter the better!**