



ancient order of hibernians
**st. patrick's
 parade**

53rd St. Patrick's Parade

Saturday, March 14th, 2026 at 3:00 PM

Location: Broadway/Baxter to

Bardstown Road to Windsor Place

Applications are due by Friday, February 13th, 2026!

Please print clearly

Unit Name:

Company Name (if applicable):

Unit Captain (Main Contact) Name:

Email:

Mobile:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Secondary Contact Name:

Email:

Mobile:

Check box below to acknowledge
 understanding to rules

Standing Rules for all Units:

All units must be appropriate for a family event. We prohibit, not limited to, anything of sexual nature, disparaging, or racially divisive.

The AOH, its representatives, and Parade committee does not discriminate against any Parade applicant for reasons of religion, race, color, sex, sexual orientation or ethnicity.

All unit participants must wear an official "St. Patrick's Parade Pin." Pins cost \$1.00 and will be available for purchase at the Packet Pick- Up Party or can be purchased with application.

No alcohol may be consumed or displayed on the Parade Route.

For Safety Sake, NO throwing items into the crowd, participants may walk along curb and hand items to attendees.

Any unit found throwing objects on the route can be removed from the Parade at the discretion of the Parade officials

All entries must be in their designated area at the designated time.

Detailed information about your unit must be provided.

Everyone is encouraged to add music to the parade!

Please prepare your unit & walkers for the weather as the Parade is RAIN/SNOW or SHINE. No refunds will be available for any reason

AOH reserves the right to refuse or remove any unit at its sole discretion

Unit Descriptions	
Float	Vehicle(s) pulling people on a trailer
Marching	Majority of group are without float or vehicle
Vehicle	People in a commercial, political or non-commercial unit that are primarily in a vehicle not pulling a trailer
Unit Categories - Only one category will apply	
Commercial Entry Fee: \$275	Any for profit business with a unit in the parade that includes signage or any unit that represents a commercial business directly or indirectly There will be an award for this category – remember the theme, “Irish Built, Kentucky Strong” .
Non Commercial Entry Fee: \$60	Schools, Non-profits, Neighborhood Associations and other not for profit organizations. There will be an award for this category – remember the theme, “Irish Built, Kentucky Strong” .
Vehicle Entry Fee: \$125 for the first ten cars	Car Clubs, horse & buggy, single vehicle and antique vehicles Entry fee includes entry for 10 club cars +\$10 per additional car for additional cars in unit (20 car total max upon prior approval) There will be an award for this category – remember the theme, “Irish Built, Kentucky Strong” .
Elected Officials/ Candidates Entry Fee: \$400	Elected Officials and Candidates with a participating unit in the Parade. The words “Vote” and “Re-Elect” are prohibited in all signage and marketing collateral.
Bands Entry Fee: FREE	Marching Bands, Live Bands, Pipe Bands, etc. that perform live music while marching in the Parade. Pre-approval required There will be an award for this category – remember the theme, “Irish Built, Kentucky Strong” .
Families & Clans Entry Fee: \$40	Groups not connected to a business or not for profit There will be an award for this category – remember the theme, “Irish Built, Kentucky Strong” .
First Responders Entry Fee: FREE	Police, Fire, EMS and Sheriffs. Thank you for your Service! Official Units of Active Military - upon invitation

UNIT DESCRIPTIONS and CATEGORIES- Awards will be given per category. Defining the correct description and category of your unit will help in planning the parade line-up. Entries lacking a detailed description at the time of entry will be considered invalid. Please read the Unit Descriptions: Float, Marching, Vehicle and Unit Categories: Responder, Family/Clan, Commercial, Non-Commercial and Political.

Commercial Units are commercial or profit entrants as well as units that represent any such entities with any visual or verbal representation

Unit Category	Float	Marching	Vehicle	# of Vehicles
Vehicle \$125	Check proper Unit and if in Unit	Check proper Unit and if in Unit	Club	
			Individual	
Elected Official/ Canidates \$400				
First Responder \$0				
Family/Clan \$40				
Commercial \$275				
Non-Commercial \$60				
Band (w/approval) \$0				

Total Fees & Extras- please select the following:

Unit Entry Fee	\$
CAR CLUBS ONLY- any <i>Additional</i> vehicle(s) over ten \$10/each for any type of motorized conveyance # _____	\$
Participant Pins- Mandatory for all Parade Participants \$1 each Total # _____ <i>Additional available for purchase at Packet Pick Up</i>	\$
Official 2026 St. Patrick's Parade Shirt - Short Sleeve \$25 each XXL ____ XL ____ L ____ M ____ S ____ Total # _____	\$
Official 2026 St. Patrick's Parade Shirt - Long Sleeve \$30 each XXL ____ XL ____ L ____ M ____ S ____ Total # _____	\$
Additional donation, while not required, always appreciated to support this 501(c)(3) charity event hosted by the HCCA	\$
\$50 Late Fee (mandatory after February 13th)	\$
Total Balance Due	\$

Unit details			
Unit description: (This not your Script)			
Type of Vehicles & length:			
Total Full length of all vehicles in assembly area:	# of People: _____	# of Vehicles: _____	
# of Animals:	Type of Animal(s):		
Check box below to acknowledge important rules if animals are in your unit	Additional rules for units with animals:		
	If you have animals with your marching unit, please make us aware of the needs, requirements, and limitations.		
	Units with animals MUST provide their own pooper scoopers.		
Will your unit provide Music? Yes No	If yes, check what type of music:		
If yes please select the following music description:	Live <input type="checkbox"/>	Car Speakers <input type="checkbox"/>	Amp <input type="checkbox"/>
Is this your first year in the parade? If no, how many years have you participated?			
Does your unit have any special requirements? (not near music, large groups, location, etc.)			
Does your unit need a vehicle pass to transport into assembly area but will <i>not</i> go down the route? If yes, why and how many?			
<p align="center">IMPORTANT CHANGE TO SCRIPTS!!!</p> <p><i>Please provide your TYPED unit script in a Word file. All scripts must be EMAILED in WORD to stpatparadelouisville@gmail.com. You must submit a new script even if you have provided one in the past. Failure to provide a proper script will mean the emcees will not give any information about you as you pass the judges stand. Scripts can say a little about you, history in the Parade, and how you reflect the theme. Average script is about 20 seconds and remember to write it in 3rd person. NO HANDWRITTEN SCRIPTS WILL BE ACCEPTED</i></p>			
Initial boxes below to acknowledge required attendance for Parade participation			
	O'Shea's Highlands Sunday, March 8th 3:00pm-6:00pm package pickup. Unit Captains are responsible to attend or send a rep.		
	Saturday, March 21st - Awards Ceremony following the parade at a Sponsor TBD. Follow email and Parade Facebook for details.		

PAYMENT OPTIONS

You may mail in a check for all charges including Application Fee, Parade Buttons, Shirts, and any extra donation to the HCCA Charity. Check need to be made payable to:

HCCA

We can accept your application via mail but would appreciate you emailing it back as a file along your script in a Word file format. We can accept electronic payment by following the provided link or by using the QR Code in this form.

Please send copy of payment in your email.

St. Patrick's Parade Electronic Payment



Please return your application by Friday, February 13, 2026. To participate in the parade all units must submit payment (if applicable) with this signed application. Entry is not guaranteed. **All applications received after February 13th must include the \$50 late fee in addition to registration fee.** Thank you for marching!! This great community event would not be possible without your support. The Parade Coordinator will have final say on any dispute over categories of the applicants.

Notice of liability waiver: By completion and submission, the signatory and all unit participants hereby indemnify and hold harmless the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the Hibernian Cultural and Charitable Association, its officers, directors, representatives and contractors, from any and all actions, liabilities, and claims resulting in any way from participation in this event. The Ancient Order of Hibernians reserve the right to prohibit any unit from entering the parade.

Signature:

Date:

Please mail completed application and check (where applicable) to:

HCCA, Inc 915 Lone Tree Court Louisville, KY 40223

Please email completed form after electronic payment to:

StPatsParadeLouisville@gmail.com

For more information like The Ancient Order of Hibernians Louisville, KY Facebook page or visit AOHLouisville.com. The official parade Facebook page is [St. Patrick's Parade-Louisville, KY](#)

The **Ancient Order of Hibernians** hosts the St. Patrick's Parade through the **Hibernian Cultural and Charitable Association, Inc** as a 501(c)(3) event. All "fees" are deemed donations to the HCCA and are non-refundable for any reason that is outside the direct control of the HCCA including Parade cancellation due to outside conditions or entities. Funds raised will support local nonprofits in our community. We appreciate support of the parade and our community.

Parade Coordinator Email:

StPatsParadeLouisville@gmail.com