

## Willits Frontier Days Parade

### PLEASE READ ENTIRE FORM—RULES & REGULATIONS HAVE CHANGED

**MISSION STATEMENT:** The purpose of the Willits Frontier Days Parade is to provide quality entertainment while bringing children and families together on this most cherished national holiday. This objective has remained consistent since the first Parade in 1926.

In line with the goal and historical traditions of the Parade, Frontier Days invites entertainers and others to participate based exclusively on their ability to provide appropriate family entertainment suitable to the occasion. These participants consist of a variety of community members, who may include athletes, musicians, singers and performers from the local region, including film and theater, and as well as various talent-based performance organizations, such as high school and college bands, cheerleaders, dancers and choral groups.

While the Frontier Days Parade respects and embraces America's diversity, our policy dictates that the Parade will expect all entrants to use good judgment in determining entertainment value for the general public.

The Frontier Days Board Members and Parade Organizers reserve the right to make all determinations relating to participation in the Parade on the basis of entertainment value and preserving the long-standing traditions of this unique national holiday event.

**LIABILITY:** In consideration of acceptance to participate, entrants and participants, release and discharge the Willits Frontier Days Association, officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, and anyone else connected with the management of, or presentation of the Willits Frontier Days of and from any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgments, and/or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by an entrant resulting from the conduct of entrants or any participant assisting or cooperating with entrant under the direction or control of entrant.

The Parade Committee will be in complete charge and will reserve the right to dismiss any entry that hurts the parade in word or deed, or in any way misrepresents the size, number, etc. of his entry. We also reserve the right to cancel any class in which the entries are not of sufficient number.

The Parade Committee will determine your placement in line to best facilitate the flow of the entire parade. **DO NOT** change your position for any reason or you will be disqualified from judging and/or asked to remove your entry from the parade line-up.

### PARADE RULES

1. Fifteen (15) feet spacing is required between all units. Improper spacing may disqualify you from competition.
2. Floats or units, which use sound amplifying systems, music, or loud noises, will remain silent until they reach the parade start position (This will help Parade Coordinator Volunteers) The parade entrant's sound shall maintain a volume which will not interfere with units in front or behind them. **ALL SOUNDS MUST BE NOTED ON ENTRY FORM.** If not noted, entry may be disqualified!
3. **NO HORNS, OR BURNING RUBBER ON TIRES!**
4. All entries will maintain forward motion at all times; there will be **no stopping along the route or in front of the judging stand**. The parade must continuously move from beginning to end. If you stop, you risk our ability to apply for a permit of future parades down Main Street from the state of California Department of Transportation. We only have a set amount of time we can keep Main Street closed to through traffic.
5. Failure to complete entire parade route will result in disqualification from award unless excused by the parade chairman.
6. The possession or use of alcohol or controlled substances by parade participants either in the staging area or along the parade route is forbidden.
7. **NOTHING** can be thrown from floats, vehicles, or animals along the parade route. **THIS INCLUDES CANDY!**
8. Participants must at all times maintain control of vehicles and/or animals. **NO ONE UNDER SIX (6) MAY BE IN CONTROL OF THESE WITHOUT AN ADULT PRESENT.**
9. Persons and/or animals riding on a float or in a car **MUST** be secured for safety. The primary responsibility of all parade participants and parade officials is the safety of all riders, children and spectators.
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11. Pacific Coast judges and Committee Rules will apply. A CSHA Judge will judge horse entries.
12. Entries close at Midnight, June 29, 2011. All fees must be received by Parade staff by closing to be entered in to parade.
13. A separate entry blank must be completed for each entry in the parade.
14. *Your signature on the enclosed application form certifies that you have read and will abide by the rules as outlined.*
15. The Parade Committee will open a new category if two or more entries request by the entry deadline.
16. All decisions of the judges will be final. **PARADE SIGN IN AND POSITION STAGING TIME: 7-9 a.m.**