

2025 Lawrence St. Patrick's Day Parade Application

For Further Information Call: 785-592-8129 or email Info@lawrencestpatricksdaysparade.com

Benefitting *ECM - Ecumenical Community Center,
One Hundred Good Women,
Theatre Lawrence*

Organization or Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Contact Person (Before Parade): _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Contact Person (Day of Parade): _____

Email: _____ Phone Number*: _____

*Must be a cell phone number of someone who will be with the parade entry from check-in to the end of the parade

TYPE OF ENTRY (Please remember the EARLY ENTRY DEADLINE IS MARCH 4):

- FAMILY Early: \$30
- FAMILY Late: \$50
- NOT-FOR-PROFIT Early: \$30
- NOT-FOR-PROFIT Late: \$50
- COMMERCIAL/OTHER Early: \$150
- COMMERCIAL/OTHER Late: \$250
- CAR CLUB ENTRY Early: \$150 (5 cars, \$30 per car after that)
- CAR CLUB ENTRY Late: \$150 (5 cars, \$30 per car after that)

COMPETITIVE ENTRY? Please **select one** form of competition below:

- CASH PRIZE
- TRAVELING TROPHY (Any category type may be considered for the Trophy)
- NON COMPETITIVE (Will be issued entry number but will not be judged or eligible for prizes)

Please share information about your entry and/or your organization. This information will be used by our parade announcer and any media outlets covering the Parade. Feel free to attach an additional page (if necessary). DON'T SKIP THIS PART! THIS IS HOW FOLKS LEARN ABOUT YOUR ENTRY/ORGANIZATION/BUSINESS.

ENTRY INFORMATION:

PLEASE MARK YES OR NO FOR EACH QUESTION AND PROVIDE THE DESCRIPTION REQUIRED:

FAMILY/NOT-FOR-PROFIT/COMMERCIAL ENTRY:

1. Animal(s): YES NO Number of Animals: _____

Kind(s) of Animals: _____

All animal entries are required to have their own animal waste clean-up behind their group/entry.

2. Bicycle(s): YES NO Number of Bicycles: _____

3. Walker(s): YES NO Number of Walkers: _____

4. Vehicle(s): YES NO Number of Cars/Trucks/Motorcycles: _____

Vehicle Details:

Type: _____ Length: _____ Trailer Length (if any): _____

Total Length: _____ (Lengths in feet/inches please)

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Total Length: _____ (Lengths in feet/inches please)

You are LIMITED to TWO vehicles. For the purpose of this rule, trailers count as vehicles. Any entry with more than 2 vehicles must pay an additional fee of \$30 per vehicle. If you have multiple vehicles, please list all vehicles. Please attach an additional page if the spaces provided are not sufficient.

Please check any of the following that apply to your entry:

Music Marching Band Loud Vehicles

Emergency Vehicles Children Other _____

CAR CLUB ENTRY: only for Car Clubs with multiple vehicles

1. Number of Vehicles: _____

Each car club entry is LIMITED to 5 cars. If your group is larger than that, you will need to pay an additional \$30 per vehicle. Also, please list all of your cars in the spaces provided. Please attach additional pages as necessary to list ALL your cars. Please provide lengths in feet/inches.

2. Vehicle Details:

Make/Model: _____	Year: _____	Length: _____
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WAIVER

IN CONSIDERATION OF MY PARTICIPATION IN THIS EVENT, I, THE UNDERSIGNED, INTENDING TO BE LEGALLY BOUND, HEREBY, FOR MY HEIRS, EXECUTORS & ADMINISTRATORS, WAIVE & RELEASE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES I MAY HAVE AGAINST THE LAWRENCE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE COMMITTEE, ITS MEMBERS, SPONSORS AND/OR BENEFICIARIES FOR ANY & ALL INJURIES INCURRED BY ME IN THIS EVENT. I HEREBY ASSUME THE RISK OF PARTICIPATING IN THIS EVENT. I HEREBY AGREE THAT IN THE EVENT OF THE CANCELLATION OF THIS EVENT DUE TO STORM, RAIN, WINDS, INCLEMENT WEATHER OR OTHER "ACTS OF GOD" MY DONATION SHALL NOT BE REFUNDED. IN ADDITION, I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING THE LAWRENCE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE. I AM COMMITTED TO MAKING THIS EVENT A SAFE AND HAPPY CELEBRATION.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please send your application to:

Info@lawrencestpatricksdaysparade.com

Lawrence St. Patrick's Day Parade
P.O. Box 1702
Lawrence, KS 66044

END OF APPLICATION - YOU ONLY NEED TO SEND IN THESE THREE PAGES TO THE COMMITTEE!

KEEP THESE PAGES FOR YOUR REFERENCE - THEY DO NOT NEED TO BE SENT BACK TO THE COMMITTEE!

Parade Day Check-In Information

Parade day check-in will be open from **9:00 am - 11am on Monday, March 17, 2025 at 12th and Rhode Island**. Please send only one representative of your entry to pick up your number and receive directions on where to stage your entry. If the representative is not with his or her entry at the time of check-in, the representative is responsible for directing the entry to the designated staging area and waiting for the entry at said area. Please wait for your entry and attach the number card to the passenger side front window. Entries not checked in by 11am will be removed from the lineup.

All drivers must stay with their vehicles at all times once they enter the staging area. Vehicles that do not have a driver who is able to move the vehicles risk the chance of being removed from the parade.

Entry numbers need to be placed in the lower passenger side corner of the vehicle's windshield. If your entry contains walkers, please have one person in the front of your group displaying the number visible for the judges. Bicycle entries need to have one person in the front of your group displaying the number visible for the judges.

Please be aware that the staging takes place throughout surrounding neighborhoods. Please do not block driveways. Loud music is prohibited in the staging areas and misbehavior will not be tolerated.

Finally, please cooperate with parade officials. Your patience and understanding are appreciated.

Lawrence St. Patrick's Day Parade Rules and Regulations

1. **APPLICATIONS AND DONATIONS:** Early deadline for entry is March 10, 2025. Any applications received after March 4 will be assessed a late entry rate. However, you are encouraged to apply as early as possible. Please provide the committee with a detailed description of your entry on the entry application. All applications will be acknowledged and reviewed by the Lawrence St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee. The consideration of your entry does not in any way constitute acceptance of your entry. Decisions of the committee are final. Suggested early entry donations are \$30 for family and non-profit entries and \$150 for commercial entries and car club entries. Late donation rates are \$50 for family and non-profit entries, \$250 for car club entries, and \$250 for commercial entries. Donations should accompany applications.
2. **PARADE VEHICLES:** All drivers must stay with their vehicles once checked in. Any driver who is not at his/her vehicle during lineup is subject to removal from the parade.

Exhibition of **acceleration** or peel outs will be subject to removal from the parade.

Liability insurance is required for all road worthy vehicles.

3. **PACE OF UNITS:** No entry or routine will be allowed to slow or stop the forward progress of the parade without the consent of the parade officials.
4. **SAFETY:** All participants must act in a safe and reasonable manner.
 - a. The consumption of alcoholic beverages by participants in the staging area or on the parade route is prohibited.
 - b. Throwing any items (i.e. candy, trinkets, stickers) from entries is prohibited. However, walkers alongside entries may pass out items to spectators. **Please refrain from enticing/encouraging parade spectators from entering the roadway.** Parade spectators are to remain behind the chalk line and any walkers handing out items to spectators **MUST** approach the spectators closely enough to **HAND THEM THE ITEM.**
 - c. Projectiles such as confetti, streamers, toilet paper, silly string, etc. are prohibited. Please help us keep the parade route clean by refraining from launching these items from your entry. Entries that are littering will be promptly removed.
 - d. No entries will be allowed to discharge firecrackers, caps, blanks, incendiary devices, or other equipment that might startle or excite horses and other animals in the parade.
 - e. Float entries with riders must be equipped with handrails, posts, or grab bars for the safety of their participants.
 - f. No vehicle may exceed safe heights and lengths. A height of 14' 6'' and length of 42' are dimensions that you should stay within while building your float. Vehicles and trailers coupled together shall not exceed 65'. Keep in mind, overhead trees and parked cars may present obstacles, so, please allow for them.
 - g. Any vehicle towing an entry shall have a towbar of sufficient strength to pull, stop, and hold all weight towed.
 - h. In addition to a safe hitch, towing vehicles shall have adequate safety chains.
 - i. Any entry carrying heaters, cookers, grills, power plants, generators, fuels, or easily combustible materials shall be required to carry a fire extinguisher.
5. **CHILDREN:** All children participating with an entry must be accompanied by a supervising adult. The person(s) accompanying the children shall be responsible for their safety as well as maintaining the required pace. Children aged 10 and under should either ride on floats, ride inside vehicles or be pulled in wagons by parents/chaperones as they are too small to keep up with the proper parade pace on foot.
6. **UNITS AND ACTIVITIES NOT PERMITTED:**
 - (a) Entries representing political issues or candidates for political office. If you have any questions regarding the appropriateness of your entry, please contact the Parade Committee prior to parade day at Info@lawrencestpatricksdaysparade.com. We are happy to discuss any entry prior to Parade Day. Entries will be inspected including signs on Parade Day. Entries not in compliance will be removed.
 - (b) Entries oversized.
 - (c) Entries that cannot keep pace.
 - (d) Entries that are indecent or immoral.
 - (e) Entries that are significantly different than described on their application.
 - (f) Entries with participants that are under the influence of, or consuming, alcohol or drugs.

7. **VIOLATIONS:** Any entry or participant that violates any of the aforementioned rules and regulations may be subject to immediate disqualification and removal from the parade and may be subject to a ban from future participation.
8. **INSPECTION:** All entries are subject to inspection by police, committee judges, and/or parade security as may be deemed necessary before and during the parade.
9. **DISPERSAL:** Immediately after the parade all floats shall disperse to their proper destination; follow instructions of police and parade officials.
10. **THE ACCEPTANCE, ASSIGNMENT, NUMBER OF ENTRIES, AND ALL JUDGING IN THE PARADE ARE AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE LAWRENCE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE COMMITTEE AND THE DECISIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE FINAL.**

THE COMMITTEE WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR INJURIES OR PROPERTY LOST, DAMAGED, OR STOLEN. YOU PARTICIPATE AT YOUR OWN RISK

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PARADE ENTRY PRIZES

CASH PRIZES:

COMMERCIAL

1st Place \$500.00
 2nd Place \$250.00
 3rd Place \$150.00

NOT FOR PROFIT

1st Place \$500.00
 2nd Place \$250.00
 3rd Place \$150.00

FAMILY

1st Place \$500.00
 2nd Place \$250.00
 3rd Place \$150.00

TRAVELING TROPHY:

There is one category for large float entries of any type that compete for the traveling trophy. Please indicate on the first page of the application if your group would like to compete for this traveling trophy. If you choose to compete for the traveling trophy, you will not be eligible for a cash award.

All prizes will be awarded/announced approximately 1 hour after the end of the parade.