



REGISTRATION FORM

Name of Group

First Name

Last Name

E-Mail

Street Address

City

Zip

Entries

- ☐ Marching Band - Free
- ☐ School Club or Organization - \$50.00
- ☐ Veterans organization or First responders - \$50.00
- ☐ City of Fredericksburg Department - \$50.00
- ☐ For-Profit - \$250.00
- ☐ Non-Profit -\$175.00 - must provide EIN Number or C01(5)k Letter
- EIN Number

Please initials below

- ☐ I agree and understand that there is no refund, if I am a no-show for the parade.
- ☐ I agree and understand that my spot is not saved until I paid for my entry fee.
- ☐ I agree and understand that if I am claiming I am a non-profit I must provide either an EIN Number or C01(5)k Letter, to receive the discount.
- ☐ I agree and understand that if I am claiming to be a Veterans organization, school club, school organization, or First Responders I must provide some sort of proof of the affiliation.

Please do not include payment with this application. You will be contacted for payment if your application is approved. If accepted, preferred method of payment is:

- ☐ Credit Card
- ☐ Check - Please make the check out to The City of Fredericksburg

Please read the rules of the parade (below), initial and sign. All forms must be turned in, or your registration will not be accepted. Payment must be made before spot in the parade is secured.

Signature

Date



ENTRY INFORMATION

Number of walkers		Music	Yes		No		Perform at Judges Stand:
Number of Vehicles		Trailer:	Yes		No		Yes No

All vehicles/trailers combined cannot be longer than 40 feet and wider than 6 feet. This includes from front bumper of first vehicle to back bumper of last vehicle. If you have more than two vehicle and it is over the limit, you may purchase a second spot. 40' per entry also includes space needed for walkers.

Title of Entry

Type & size of first vehicle (total length & height)

Type & size of second vehicle/trailer

Describe your entry

Judging Category

I understand I will be judged in one of the following groups, and that the Parade Coordinator will have the ability to switch assigned categories as deemed appropriate.

- ☐ Vehicle or Float
- ☐ Walking Group - Majority of group is walking, vehicle is only providing music (must list vehicle on application)
- ☐ Marching Band
- ☐ Dance or Drill Group
- ☐ City Department
- ☐ Animal Group
- ☐ School / Youth Group or Organization

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Please read the rules of the parade (below), initial and sign. All forms must be turned in, or your registration will not be accepted. Payment must be made before spot in the parade is secured.

☐ I agree that my entry(ies) must be decorated to reflect this year's theme: A Timeless Christmas.

☐ I agree there are no handouts, including but not limited to candy, beads, toys, or pamphlets. I agree that I will not have foam, bubbles, or anything else that might attract children into the streets during the parade.

☐ I agree that my entree must be in good taste, family-friendly, and with no symbols or decorations that can be considered offensive; this includes but is not limited to the Confederate Flag and the Swastika.

☐ I agree that if I cannot make the parade, I must let the parade coordinator know before Friday of the Parade. If I have a no-call/no-show, I will not be allowed in next year's parade.

☐ I agree the parade is a rain, shine, or snow event. Unless City Police and Fire Deem the weather to be extreme and it raises safety concerns, the parade will continue as planned.

☐ I agree that the parade has an official Santa Claus or Mrs. Claus and that nobody in my group can dress up like either. I may wear Santa Claus Hats or dress up like other Christmas characters. including the Grinch, Frosty, reindeer, elves, etc.

☐ I agree that my whole entry (including all vehicles and trailers) will not be longer than 40 feet, wider than 6 feet, and higher than 12 feet. I agree that if my float/vehicles exceed these measurements, I cannot participate.

☐ I agree that no combination of vehicles, including vehicle plus trailer, connected using a pintle-hook or ball hitch system should exceed 40 feet in length as measured from the front bumper of the first vehicle to the back bumper of the rearmost vehicle.

☐ I agree that no wreckers, dump, or propane trucks are allowed.

☐ I agree that if I have a vehicle, I will have a five-pound/3A40BC fire extinguisher on that vehicle.

☐ I agree that my vehicles cannot be modified trucks, low-boy type equipment trailers, wreckers, dump trucks, propane trucks, or have protruding outriggers wheels or other appendages that might snare or injure bystanders.

☐ I agree that it is my driver's responsibility to obey all traffic laws when it comes to the parade. My driver(s) will be subjected to a breathalyzer, and if the parade marshals, police, or fire marshals feel that the driver is not fit to perform the functions of the driver, then my group will not be able to participate.

☐ I agree that the driver or I will attend the MANDATORY SAFETY PARADE MEETING on Wednesday, November 18, 2026, at 6:00 PM at the Dorothy Hart Community Center.

☐ I agree that my driver cannot be distracted, must keep their eyes on the road at all times, and must be able to hear what is around them. The use of iPods, MP3 players, cell phones, camcorders, etc., is prohibited by all drivers during the parade.

☐ I agree that neither my driver(s) nor myself are allowed to demonstrate maneuverability, speed, or agility. Violating this rule will result in suspension of future participation in the parade. I agree my vehicle entry will not omit sirens or lights similar to emergency vehicles.

☐ I agree that my driver will obey all traffic rules, including turning on the headlights, following at least 2 car lengths, and stopping and starting when I am told to do so.

☐ I agree that my all my drivers must stay with their vehicle at all times.

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☐ I agree that if my entry involves any vehicles, I must be at my division by 3 PM, and if my entry involves only walkers, I must be at my division by 4 PM.

☐ I agree that it is my responsibility to notify my group of my division and make any arrangements concerning, parking, transporting, and meeting spots.

☐ I agree it is my responsibility to ensure that any children riding the float only get off the vehicle once it is parked. I understand that no child under 15 years old and less than 5 feet high may walk in front, or in back of the vehicle.

☐ I agree that there needs to be two adults with the entrants at all times. Anyone under 15 years old or 5 feet must walk beside the float, not front or back.

☐ I agree that I will keep my music to a modern level and not blare it; it also includes live music. No sirens besides those on authorized emergency vehicle entries.

☐ I agree that I will not blare my sirens or horns during the Christmas Parade. There might be children in the crowd who might get scared.

☐ I agree that I cannot decorate the staging area. If i need to finish my entry, I must do it off-site.

☐ I agree that I am responsible for keeping my group together during the staging and actual parade. I agree that if I have a member who misbehaves, weaves in and out of the route, or wanders off, I will not be allowed to participate in future parades.

☐ I agree to be judged; I must have the division number displayed on the driver-side door.

☐ I agree that if I am performing, I must keep the performance under 1 minute from the moment we reach the judges' stand. My group may only perform at the judges' stand and viewing area.

☐ I agree that once the October 23, 2026, deadline passes, I may not change or update my entree. Once I have my division number, it is final.

☐ I agree that my group is not allowed to have any of their animals interact with the bystanders, including petting. The animals must be able to walk over 2 miles and keep up with the parade speed. If not, I must provide a vehicle for the animals to ride in. I must also provide a pooper scooper for every 2 animals.

☐ I agree if I am an in equestrian group, I will be required to follow all rules listed under Animals Entries on the website.

I have read all the rules and agree to abide by them. I understand that failure to do so will result in my or my group ability not to be able to be part of Christmas Parade in the future. I understand that if my application is accepted, a staff member from Fredericksburg Parks, Recreation, and Events will contact me for payment.

Print Name

Signature

Date