

2018 Parade Application

Theme – “Christmas Carols”

December 1, 2018 @ Noon



Organization: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone number(s): (w)_____ (c)_____

Email: _____

- Category: (circle one)
- Antique Vehicle (40 yrs. or older)
 - Band/ROTC/Color Guard
 - Company/Organization/School Vehicle w/logo on side
 - Golf Cart/ATV
 - Horses
 - Marching/Dancing Group
 - Standard Float

\$25.00 entry fee per float; \$25.00 entry fee for registered automobile (see rules for specific information); \$20.00 entry fee for horses (see rules for specific information). **Make Check payable to Thomson-McDuffie Chamber of Commerce and return with application.**

Please initial that you have read and will follow the rules: _____

I/We hereby voluntarily release and indemnify the Thomson-McDuffie Chamber of Commerce, the City of Thomson, and employees jointly and severally from any and all liability in any way arising from injury, loss, theft and damage to person and/or property that might be sustained or received in connection with participation in said parade. I/We have read and understand and do agree with the above provisions and have signed below accordingly.

Signature

Date

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Please return pages 1 - 3 of this application by November 23, 2018 to:

Thomson McDuffie Chamber of Commerce
149 Main Street
Thomson, Georgia 30824

Any questions call 706-597-1000

IF REGISTERING AN ANTIQUE CAR/TRUCK FOR THE PARADE, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

Name of Individual Driving Vehicle	Make/Model and Tag Number of Vehicle

NOTE: ONLY THE INDIVIDUALS IDENTIFIED ON THIS LIST WILL BE ALLOWED TO DRIVE AN AUTOMOBILE IN THIS PARADE. ANYONE THAT SHOWS UP ON THE DAY OF THE PARADE THAT IS NOT ON THIS LIST WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO DRIVE AN AUTOMOBILE IN THE PARADE.

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THIS PAGE WILL BE PROVIDED TO LOCAL MEDIA REPORTING ON YOUR ENTRY

Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Describe your organization:

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RULES AND GUIDELINES:

1. Parade line-up will be in the parking lot across the street from the Brick Yard football field near the McDuffie Achievement Center. When your entry reaches the end of the parade route, please do not return back using Hill Street. Use an alternate route. All entries requiring participants to be picked up will be disbanded at the IGA shopping Center on Hill Street.
2. **All entries must have some type of Christmas decorations or Christmas theme.** All portions of your entry to include vehicles and/or floats must have decorations adorned on all of them. This is a requirement to entry. **Please do not use anything that can be interpreted as Santa**, since Santa will arrive via fire truck at the end of the parade. The Thomson-McDuffie Chamber of Commerce will have final say as to whether or not a group meets the parade criteria and may pull any group from the parade if actions are not done in the Christmas Spirit.
3. Candy may be thrown by each float only by adults associated with that float walking alongside that float and throwing candy onto the sidewalk and beyond. No candy will be allowed in the streets. Anyone violating this rule will be pulled from the parade. No one will be allowed to leave or enter a vehicle once the parade starts. **THESE ARE SAFETY ISSUES.**
4. There will be a \$25.00 entry fee for floats, car/truck. Applications will not be accepted without the entry fee. At the time of registration, the car/truck must provide the makes and models of automobiles that will participate in the parade. If an automobile is not found on the list of automobiles submitted with the registration form, that individual will not be allowed to participate in the parade.
5. All participants must be part of a group, club, business, church, or educational organization.
6. All entries are subject to acceptance and approval by the Thomson-McDuffie Chamber of Commerce Parade Committee.
7. The Thomson-McDuffie Chamber of Commerce will not be responsible or liable for any lost or stolen objects or for any accidents that may occur. There must be a signature of the responsible party on the application.
8. All horse owners participating in the parade must provide, at the time of registration, proof of negative Coggins test for every horse in the parade. Coggins test cannot be older than one year from the date of the parade. Horses must have a manure bag.

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9. All entries will control their noise levels. Any music played must be at a low volume and be Christmas music only. Revving of engines, loud horns, swerving of vehicles will not be tolerated and violators will be pulled from the Parade. **Violators will not be allowed to participate in future parades**

10. If additional decorations are done at the assembly area, you must clean up the area used. If trash is left at the assembly area or along the route, we will assess a fine or not allowed entry the following year.

11. Parade fees are non-refundable unless the parade is rained out. Then the fees will be refunded upon request.