

**RALSTON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
PARADE ENTRY FORM
Thursday, July 4, 2019 - 1:00 P.M.
Ralston's Independence Day Parade
59th Year Theme: TBD**

Name of Organization _____

*Contact Person (MUST sign below) _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

**Email _____ (Email will be used for parade line-up notifications)

Entry Fee: NO Refunds after Wednesday, June 5th

- () \$50~Non-profit (not located in Ralston) () N/C Ralston Chamber Member or Ralston Non-Profit
 () \$175~Commercial () \$400~Political / \$325~Political Chamber Member (30 people max. per entry)

Type of Entry: No Semi Tractor &/or Trailers; No Riding Lawn Mowers or Race Cars unless placed on flatbed trailers.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Float | <input type="checkbox"/> Marching Band | <input type="checkbox"/> Saddle Club* | <input type="checkbox"/> Antique Auto |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drill Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Horse * | <input type="checkbox"/> Antique Tractor | <input type="checkbox"/> Cheer/Pom Squad |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Horse-Drawn carriage * | <input type="checkbox"/> Clowns/Jugglers | <input type="checkbox"/> Buggy/carriage/wagon | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gymnastics Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Color Guard | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Queen/Candidate | <input type="checkbox"/> ROTC Unit | <input type="checkbox"/> Go Cart (minimum age - 21) | |

* Any live animal entry must be approved by the committee

VEHICLES: Maximum 2 vehicles per business

Number of Vehicles: _____ Type(s): _____

FLOATS: What type of vehicle is it being pulled by?: Pick-up _____ SUV _____ Van _____

Will you have music? Yes ___ No ___ Live ___ Recorded ___

Will you have animals? Yes ___ No ___ How Many? _____ What are they? _____

Any other pertinent information about your entry? _____

*****IMPORTANT:** Total length of all vehicles: _____ Est. # of People (30 max.): _____

Category of Entry (Pick One): Business _____ ; or Civic (Group that does community service) _____ ; or Neighborhood/Community (Church, etc.) _____

**All ENTRIES RECEIVED AFTER JUNE 14th ARE SUBJECT TO BE PLACED AT THE END OF THE LINEUP
Your entry will be refused if we reach capacity before it is received.**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE YOUR INFORMATION.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Use the back of this form to clearly write a brief description about your entry and organization. This information will be used by our announcers the day of the parade.

If no information is provided, only your entry name will be announced at the reviewing stand.

*All entries are subject to the approval of the Ralston Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. All information about your entry must be included.

***Return this Entry Form with payment for entry fee by as soon as possible to ensure a spot in the parade; If no payment is due, form can be faxed or emailed.**

*The parade line-up will be available at the end of June. You will receive your line up number and parade information by mail or email. * We look forward to your participation. If you have any questions, contact the Chamber office at 402-339-7737 * Fax: 402-339-7954 * aroeder@cityofralston.com * Ralston Area Chamber of Commerce, 5505 Miller Ave., Ralston NE 68127 * www.ralstonareachamber.org

See the Parade Rules & Regulations stated on page 2, the backside, of the Parade Invitation.

***Yes,** I have read these Rules & Regulations and we will abide by them _____

Signature

Date

NOTE: If not **signed and dated**, this Entry Form is not valid and will be rejected.

Ralston Parade 2019 Rules & Regulations

Please **read** these 2019 Rules & Regulations, **sign and date** the **Parade Entry Form** in the designated space near the bottom of that Form. **If the Parade Entry Form is not signed and dated, it will not be valid and will be rejected.** If you need a Parade Entry Form, please contact the Chamber.

1. When you are lining up, please stay close to your assigned number so there will be room for all units assigned to the staging area.
2. Keep the parade moving at all times. **Please maintain NO MORE THAN 1/4 block between each entry.** This is very important for the smooth flow of the entire Parade.
3. **DO NOT THROW ANYTHING TO THE CROWD FROM YOUR ENTRY. DO NOT HAND OUT ANYTHING FROM YOUR ENTRY.** This is an important **safety issue** for everyone. You may **walk along curbside to gently toss or hand out your items.** We will have Street Monitors along the Parade route who will note any infractions. Those who do not abide by the rules will be notified and risk not being able to participate in future Parades. Remember that children and adults running into the street to retrieve candy, toys, etc. create a **SAFETY HAZARD.**

IF YOU WANT TO HAND SOMETHING OUT TO THE CROWD, YOU MUST WALK ALONG THE SIDES OF YOUR ENTRY AND HAND OUT YOUR ITEMS.

NOTE: Failure to comply with the above Rule # 3, will result in a warning being given which risks being banned from future Parades.

NOTE: YOU WILL BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY INJURIES &/or POLICE CITATIONS

4. Consumption of alcoholic beverages is **prohibited** on public streets by City Ordinance. Please do not drink or display alcoholic beverages during your participation in our Parade. This is a family event.
5. Water balloons, squirt guns or any other water-fighting paraphernalia are **banned** from the parade. Parade participants are **prohibited** from throwing water balloons or spraying the spectators with water.
6. Please be aware that the parade route is also used as an emergency exit for police and fire vehicles. If you see or hear a unit responding to an emergency, please pull to the right side of the route and allow the vehicle to pass.
7. All entries with horses or dogs must provide their own "pooper scoopers", following their pre-approved entry into the parade.
8. The Parade disbands at 75th and Main Street.
9. You will be held liable for any injuries &/or Police Citations.

Note: *All fire departments participating in the water fight activity after the parade, please go to the Ralston Fire Dept., 7625 Park Drive.*

Note: Engineering and logistical problems will not permit everyone to be *first*, so please consider this parade as a total show. Thank you.

Thank you for Participating!

Ralston Area Chamber of Commerce Celebrating 59 Years of Service ~ 1960-2019

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