

**2019 Port Hope Canada Day Parade: Monday July 1 @ 11:00am**

## **Canada Day Parade Guidelines**



## **PARTICIPANT RULES:**

The following policies are established as the minimum regulations for enjoyment and safety reasons. We require your cooperation in observing them. Parade participants are responsible for their own safety and the parade committee will not be held responsible for any accidents.

1. All participants are requested to incorporate a Canada theme in their decorations, float design and/or costumes. Please ensure vehicles towing floats are decorated as well.
2. Entries must be entertaining to a family audience, especially for children.
3. All participants must register to participate in the parade.
4. Parade participants shall not consume alcohol and will refrain from smoking during their participation in the parade.
5. For safety reasons, **throwing of candy or any objects is not allowed**. Anyone wanting to hand out candy can do so with designated, walking distributors.
6. No entry will hand out literature, pamphlets, leaflets, brochures, flyers or any other written or printed materials to parade spectators, without prior parade committee approval.
7. There will be no premature exiting of the parade route.
8. Please ensure your group stays together. It is important to maintain the distance between the float in front of you – not too close, but not too far. This is an important safety note, but it also helps maintain a steady flow. If you are performing or dancing, do so while in motion. Stopping will create unnecessary gaps in the parade.
9. All non-float/filler vehicles must be decorated. **\*\* Exceptions only for Specialty & Vintage \*\***
10. Automobiles for commercial advertising are limited to one per business.
11. Animal Entries: All entries are required to clean up behind their animals along the route. Please be courteous to the other participants.
12. Any floats with small children must have at least one (1) adult present for supervision.
13. No entry shall exceed 12 feet in height.
14. Extra-long entries are advised to line up at the top of Ridout Street.
15. Name of group/entry must be displayed and easily identifiable.
16. An entry may be refused up to the start of the parade should the entry not meet parade guidelines or differ drastically from their approved entry form.
17. Floats with generators or other possible fire hazards must provide suitable fire extinguishing equipment.

## **PARADE DAY GUIDELINES:**

1. We ask that all floats and walking parties arrive between 10 - 10:30 am. All Floats and walking parties are asked to line up along Bramley Street South (and surrounding side streets if needed). Please work together in the busy staging area to make room for fellow parade participants and keep safe. Carpooling/drop off at staging area is highly recommended.
2. There is no parade order. The Parade Marshal will pull entries from Bramley S and insert bands from Bramley N onsite. Please be patient in the staging area. Your entry will be called upon to head down the parade route, in due time.
3. Parade starts at exactly 11:00 am (rain or shine). Please dress layered for the weather.
4. If you have questions on parade day, a Parade Marshall will be nearby Basil's to assist you.
5. There will be a portable toilet placed in the Basil's parking lot for all participants who are in need.
6. **END OF PARADE ROUTE** – All vehicles must continue past the town hall; no stopping.
7. **ENTRY/FLOAT CAPTAINS** – Please inform all parents and participants of these rules. We suggest that float captains arrange a meeting place with parents in one location so that they escort the children out of the loading area to meet their guardians for pickup.

Questions can be directed to Event Coordinator: Jeannie Maidens 905-885-7908 [jmaidens@porthope.ca](mailto:jmaidens@porthope.ca)

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