

2022 CITY OF TAYLOR VERY MERRY HOLIDAY PARADE REGISTRATION PACKET



The City of Taylor Main Street Program invites you to participate in the 2022 Very Merry Holiday Parade, which will kick off festivities for the City of Taylor Very Merry Holiday Celebration.

The parade will begin on Saturday, December 3, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. It will begin on 12th Street and Main Street and will proceed on Main St. from 12th to 3rd St. and will end west on 3rd St. to Vance. There is no charge to enter the parade, and no limit on the number of entries for each organization. Each entry must be registered in advance—no onsite registration will be available. **ALL ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE.** For additional information please call the Main Street Office at 512-352-3463.

To submit your entry, please complete the attached Registration Form, Rules and Regulations Acknowledgement, and Indemnification Agreement, and submit no later than **NOVEMBER 25, 2022.**

PLEASE KEEP A COPY OF THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR YOUR REFERENCE

1. The Parade Committee reserves the right to refuse entry to any float, unit or individual. Failure to comply with the parade rules may result in the elimination from the parade formation and will affect future invitations.
2. Each entry, other than tractors or antique cars, must be a decorated float or a vehicle representing an organization, festival or company.
3. All entries should have a theme appropriate for the holiday season.
4. A licensed driver must drive cars, tractors, and large vehicles. Drivers are responsible for the safety and behavior of their participants. Small vehicles (minibikes, small tractors, etc.) must be driven by a person over the age of 12 and parents will be responsible for their conduct.
5. All entries must be registered in advance. There will be no onsite registration. If you or your organization is submitting more than one entry, please complete a separate registration form for each entry.
6. Staging will be set by City of Taylor staff.
7. All riders must be on side or rear of floats and flatbeds. All riders in trucks must stay on sides.
8. Each rider must remain seated while in motion.
9. No standing or leaning while moving.
10. Adults on entries/floats must be responsible for children on entries/floats.
11. All entries must be appropriate for all ages—please refrain from including toy guns or weapons, alcohol, sexually explicit material, etc.
12. For safety reasons, **NO ITEM, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO MERCHANDISE, TOYS, CANDIES, FLYERS, ETC. CAN BE THROWN, HAND OR PASSED FROM ANY FLOAT, VEHICLE OR PARADE ENTRY.** Walkers can hand out material as long as it is not a distraction and is done on the edge of the parade route next to the spectators and these people **MUST WEAR LIGHTS and BE VISIBLE.** Children run to vehicles passing items and for the safety of children attending the parade **THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE.** Violators will be immediately removed from the parade.
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There is no entry fee to participate in the parade.

ENTRY TITLE

CONTACT NAME

GROUP/COMPANY/ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED

CONTACT EMAIL

CONTACT PHONE

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF YOUR ENTRY (50 WORDS OR FEWER):

LENGTH OF YOUR ENTRY
PLEASE BE SPECIFIC – LIST WHAT VEHICLES MAKE UP YOUR ENTRY AND HOW MANY FEET DOES EACH ONE NEED (E.G. F150 TRUCK AND 16 FT TRAILER)? PLEASE NOTE THAT WE CANNOT ACCOMMODATE ENTRIES LONGER THAN 40 FEET.

VEHICLE LICENCE PLATE #

TRAILER LICENSE PLATE #
(if applicable)

Please submit this form with your signed RULES AND REGULATIONS and INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT no later than FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2022.

EMAIL your registration form to:

Jan Harris, Main Street Manager

Jan.harris@tayortx.gov

MAIL your registration form to:

CITY OF TAYLOR MAIN STREET PROGRAM

400 Porter Street

Taylor, TX 76574

You can also complete this form online at taylortx.gov.

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ENTRY TITLE

PRINTED NAME

DATE

SIGNATURE

2022 CITY OF TAYLOR VERY MERRY HOLIDAY PARADE INDEMNIFICATION FORM

In consideration of the services of the City of Taylor, their agents, staff, volunteers, participants, employees and all other persons or entities acting in any capacity on their behalf (hereinafter collectively referred to as the City), I hereby agree to release, indemnify and discharge the City of Taylor on behalf of myself, my children, my parents, my heirs, assigns, personal representative and estate as follows:

- I acknowledge that participating in the City of Taylor Holiday Parade entails known and unanticipated risks that could result in physical or emotional injury, paralysis, death or damage to myself, to property or to third parties. I understand that such risks simply cannot be eliminated without jeopardizing the essential qualities of the activity.
- The risks include, among other things: leg injuries, arm injuries, head injuries and internal organ injuries; abrasions from falling or sliding; running out of control or beyond one's personal limits; the negligence of other players and participants including visitors, spectators and others that may be present; musculoskeletal injuries and/or over training; head injuries; or my own negligence.
- Furthermore, City of Taylor employees and agents have difficult jobs to perform. They seek safety, but they are not infallible. They might be unaware of a participant's fitness or abilities. They may give inadequate warnings or instructions and the equipment being used might malfunction.
- I expressly agree and promise to accept and assume all of the risks existing in this activity. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary and I elect to participate in spite of the risks.
- I hereby voluntarily release, forever discharge, and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Taylor from any and all claims, or causes of action, which are in any way connected with my participation in this activity or my use of the City of Taylor's equipment or facilities, including any such claims which allege negligent acts or omissions of the City of Taylor.
- Should the City of Taylor or anyone acting on their behalf, be required to incur attorney's fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to indemnify and hold them harmless for all such fees and costs.
- I certify that I have adequate insurance to cover any injury or damage I may cause or suffer while participating, or else I agree to bear the costs of such injury or damage myself. I further certify that I am willing to assume the risk of any medical or physical condition I may have.
- In the event that I file a lawsuit against the City of Taylor, I agree to do so solely in the State of Texas, and I further agree that the substantive law of the State of Texas shall apply in that action without regard to the conflict of laws of that state. I agree that if any portion of this agreement is found to be void or unenforceable, the remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.
- By signing this document, I acknowledge that if anyone is hurt or property is damaged during my participation in this activity, I may be found by a court of law to have waived my right to maintain a lawsuit against the City of Taylor on the basis of any claim from which I have released them herein.
- I have had sufficient opportunity to read this entire document. I have read and understood it, and I agree to be bound by its terms.

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TERMS OF ACCEPTANCE and SIGNATURE

I agree that I am 18 years old or above, or the legal guardian of any child under the age of 18 years old participating in this program or event. I agree that falsification of any information on this information/registration form may disqualify me or my child from this program or event.

In consideration of the acceptance of my or my child's information/registration form for this program or event, I hereby release the CITY OF TAYLOR and their agents, employees, officers, and servants from any and all damages and injuries which may occur while I or my child participates in this program or event. I further certify that I have legal authority to execute this release on behalf of myself or my child. I also agree that I have received and read this information/registration form completely. I understand that the CITY OF TAYLOR or program/event staff have the authority to remove participants from the program/event without refund. I agree the CITY OF TAYLOR may use photographs of me or my child to promote City programs and events. I agree that I have given my authorization for myself or my child to receive medical attention in case of injury or an emergency.

ENTRY TITLE

PRINTED NAME

DATE

SIGNATURE