

LIGHTED PARADE GUIDELINES

1. Please do not use any live versions of Santa Claus or Mrs. Claus on your float—as the first entry of the parade is Santa. An additional Santa may cause confusion for the youth.
2. All parade entries **must** be thoroughly illuminated and decorated. Christmas lights, spotlights and holiday music are strongly encouraged!
3. Parade lineup begins at the Seabee's Corporation parking lot and travels through downtown Hampton ending at Band Shell Park. It is not a requirement to park your float around Band Shell Park, if you would like to exit the parade, you are able to do so at the intersection of Band Shell Park and Hampton Senior Citizen Center. If you would like to park your float and enjoy the park decorations, you are able to do so by parking on 1st St SW.
4. All units are strongly encouraged to have at least **one fire extinguisher** placed on float or within easy reach of the float driver.
5. All drivers must possess a valid driver's license and be adequately trained to drive their float.
6. All entries must complete the liability waiver (attached to this form) and return it to Franklin REC by Wednesday, November 25th, 2026.
7. Candy, samples or other materials of any kind may **NOT** be thrown or otherwise distributed throughout the parade route. This is for the safety of parade walkers and spectators as the parade travels in the dark. If you wish to pass items out, please contact Franklin REC to discuss opportunities.

The parade will take place as scheduled, weather permitting. In the event of severe inclement weather, updates and announcements will be shared on the Franklin REC Facebook page, the Greater Franklin County Chamber of Commerce Facebook page, and KLMJ. **There will be no alternate date for the parade.**

8. Franklin REC reserves the right to prohibit any entry from entering into the parade that is inappropriate.