

MURRAY FUN DAYS PARADE

Murray Fun Days is organized to provide an opportunity for individuals, families, and community to be together as they enjoy a day of fun activities while celebrating Independence Day. Murray City encourages parade entries that feature **creative, entertaining elements appropriate for the entire family**, including **entries that focus on a patriotic theme**.

The following guidelines are offered to ensure an enjoyable and safe experience for those in your entry, as well as the public. Your cooperation is essential so please take time to read and share this information with those who will be participating. If necessary, your entry can be removed from the parade or not considered during the application process.

The Murray Fun Days Parade starts at 6100 South State, travels north on State Street to Vine Street, east on Vine Street to the east entrance to Murray City Park. The Parade ends at the southwest area of Murray Park where you can exit onto 5300 South (eastbound). Details concerning the parade lineup, numbers, where to assemble and other parade information will be sent out prior to the parade to the sponsors' primary contact as noted on the Parade Entry Form. **The Murray Fun Days Parade Committee reserves the right to place parade entries in any order they deem necessary and to limit the overall number of parade entries.**

Parade Rules and Guidelines

- Please provide a detailed description, including photos if possible, of your entry.
- Please do not bring or hand out **printed material**. Printed material is usually discarded by the public and creates litter that must be picked up by City staff and volunteers.
- Please display the American flag in an appropriate manner.
- Entrants who have a routine to perform (dance, cheerleading, school groups and clubs), please make sure it is designed for **constant forward movement** of the parade. **No stopping or holding up traffic will be permitted**. Marching bands are encouraged to enter and will be paid according to the number of participants and/or professional level of the group.
- Parade participants are not permitted to throw, or shoot any objects toward spectators at any time during the parade. This includes candy, water balloons, squirt guns, silly string, or any other items. This is for the safety and protection of everyone involved in the parade.
- All parade entrants and participants are required to read and strictly abide by the parade rules and regulations outlined in the "Murray Fun Days Parade Rules".
- Each parade entry representative is required to sign a "*Murray Fun Days Parade Safety Rules Compliance Certification and Hold Harmless Agreement*", and turn in the signed form with their parade application.

Awards

Judging will take place along the parade route and awards given for all parade categories including an overall **Judges Choice Award**. Categories include:

- **Automotive /Antique Vehicle** – Includes all types of vehicles including antiques, race cars or vehicles of special interest. All vehicles must be clean and in good working order or towed on a flat bead trailer. Please limit the number of vehicles in your entry to ten (10) or less.
- **Business/commercial** entries should have an entry that features a strong patriotic, artistic or entertaining element. These entries should consist of more than signs placed on the side of a vehicle for advertising. *Up to 25 commercial/for profit entries will be chosen for the parade and entries and fee must be submitted by June 3. All commercial entries will be notified by June 13 of their parade entry status.*
- **Civic/Royalty/Floats/Political** - City floats, dignitaries, political candidates, sport teams, non performing school groups, community clubs/organizations and royalty. Parade floats must meet fire code compliance. Political entries are limited to 10 walkers and 1 vehicle (no limit to numbers on vehicle).
- **Performing Group**- Marching bands, music groups, drill & dance teams, cheerleaders and clowns.
- **Equestrian/Animals/ Special Interest** - Includes horses or any other type of animals or anything of special interest. Please provide clean-up for your animals.