

The 44th Annual 2017 St. Patrick's Parade Rules & Regulations

"One United Ireland"

Saturday, March 11 at 3:00pm

Location: Broadway/Baxter to Bardstown Road to Windsor Place

Important Dates:

- **Friday, February 24-** Parade entry deadline. *After February 24th, there will be a \$30 late fee and no guaranteed entry.*
- **Sunday, March 5-** *Pre-Parade Packet Pick-up Party at O'Shea's on Baxter Ave from 4:00pm-6:00pm. Unit Captains are responsible to attend or send a representative to pick up important participant information.*
- **Saturday, March 11-** Awards Ceremony following the parade at O'Shea's on Baxter at 6:00pm.

Standing Rules for all Units:

- All units must be appropriate for a family event.
- All unit participants must wear an official "St. Patrick's Parade Pin." Pins cost \$1.00 and will be available for purchase at the Packet Pick Up Party.
- No alcohol consumption or display in any unit while on parade route.
- No throwing items into the crowd
 - participants may **walk along** curb and **hand items** to attendees in the crowd
- All entries must be in their designated area at the designated time.
- Detailed information about your unit must be provided.
- Please prepare your unit & walkers for cold weather and rain. Bring coats, parkas, towels, etc.
- AOH reserves the right to refuse or remove any unit.

Specific Entry Fees & Information:

VEHICLE

Entry Fee: \$30.00

- Includes: car clubs, single vehicles, and antique vehicles (car, bus, truck, tractor)
- Number of Vehicles in unit entries is limited to 20 maximum.
- There will be an award for this category – remember the theme, **"ONE UNITED IRELAND"**.

BANDS

Entry Fee: FREE

- School Marching Bands, Live Bands, Pipe Bands, etc. are encouraged to add music to the parade!
- There will be an award for this category – remember the theme, **"ONE UNITED IRELAND"**.

COMMERCIAL

Entry fee: \$150.00

Float entry: \$75

- Any company/business with a unit in the parade.
- There will be an award for this category – remember the theme, **"ONE UNITED IRELAND"**.

NON-COMMERCIAL

Entry fee: \$30.00

- Schools, Non-profits, Neighborhood Associations, etc.
- There will be an award for this category – remember the theme, **"ONE UNITED IRELAND"**.

ELECTED OFFICIALS/CANDIDATES

Entry Fee: \$250.00

Float entry: \$75

- Elected Officials and Candidates with a unit in the parade.
- The words "Vote" and "Re-Elect" are prohibited in all signage and marketing collateral.

EQUESTRIAN

Entry Fee: \$30.00 per unit

- Please make us aware of the needs, requirements, and limitations of your unit so that the animals will not be harmed and will be safe for the 5,000+ parade attendees. **Equine & Animal units MUST provide and use their own pooper scoopers.**
- There will be an award for this category – remember the theme, **"ONE UNITED IRELAND"**.

FAMILIES & CLANS

Entry Fee: \$0.00 FREE - We are the people's parade!

- There will be an award for this category – remember the theme, **"ONE UNITED IRELAND"**.

UNIT DESCRIPTIONS- Awards will be given per category. Defining the correct description of your unit will help in planning the parade line-up.

FLOAT

- Vehicle(s) pulling people on a trailer.
- If applicable, units will receive a discount for having a float in the parade.

MARCHING

- Majority of group are without a float or a vehicle.
- If you have **animals** with your marching unit, please make us aware of the needs, requirements, and limitations. **Animal units MUST provide their own pooper scoopers.**

VEHICLE

- People in a commercial, political, or non-commercial unit that are primarily in a vehicle

You may NOT throw items to parade spectators. You are allowed to walk into the crowd and hand out items. We do this because it is **unsafe** and encourages children and other attendees to run into the parade route. It is your responsibility to make your entire unit aware of this rule. You may need to bring extra walkers to hand out your items to the crowd. Your unit will be removed from the parade if you are throwing items.

FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS MAY RESULT IN ALL OR PART OF A UNIT'S ELIMINATION FROM THE PARADE.

Thank you for marching in the St. Patrick's Parade on March 11, 2017!



Complete Unit Application & check should be made payable and mailed to:

Hibernian Cultural & Charitable Association

Attn: Tim Quinn

2000 Lancashire #202

Louisville, KY 40205

Questions? Please email StPatsParadeLouisville@gmail.com

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