



2008 TOWN OF FARRAGUT PARADE INFORMATION AND RULES

PARADE PARTICIPANTS MUST READ BEFORE SIGNING ENTRY FORM

- 1 Parade vehicles and floats may be parked at the correct line-up number at the Farragut High School parking lot as early as 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 3 but no later than 8:30 a.m. on Friday, July 4. A guard will be on duty at the high school parking lot all night.

Parade participants should be dropped off at the parking lot of Farragut High School not later than 8:30 a.m. on Friday, July 4. Access to the high school is available from Campbell Station Road and Kingston Pike (from West End Ave. and from the entrance drive to the high school). Due to the high number of parade participants and extremely long lines, please allow at least 30 minutes from Campbell Station Road and Kingston Pike to the high school parking area. Town staff will begin pulling the parade down the high school entrance at 9 a.m. – entries not in place by this time will be skipped. Access to the high school will be closed from Campbell Station Road and the driveway next to the high school ball fields after 8:45 a.m.

Preferred drop off area – if you are only dropping off participants – please go to West End Avenue to the school parking lot. No need to get into circular parking lot.

- 2 Kingston Pike will be closed from Concord Road to Boring Road (approximately 1.4 miles) starting at 8:30 A.M. Kingston Pike will be re-opened shortly after the completion of the parade. Maximum height for entries is 15' 2".
- 3 **Please be wise about handing out your items along the parade route. Reserve some in the beginning or you may run out by the time you reach the old K-Mart building. You may want to hand out 1 item per family. Plan on approximately 2,000 to 3,000 parade watchers.**
- 4 The parade will travel from the Farragut High School parking lot to Kingston Pike to Boring Road. This is the parade end-point. Parade participants should be picked up at Farragut Towne Square (Ingles).
- 5 **Nothing can be discharged – fireworks, guns, snaps, etc.**

Due to insurance regulations, please do not throw any items from your car or float. Throwing of objects, including candy, is strictly prohibited as it may cause a safety hazard. Parade participants wishing to distribute items may have individuals walk alongside the entry and hand out items to the crowd.

- 6 Any equestrian or similar animal entries must be fitted with a diaper.

Horses should go to the parking lot behind Toyama's next to Kroger and wait under the trees to be fed into parade.

Please remember that the Fourth of July Parade weather is *always* hot. The asphalt parade course (Kingston Pike) adds to the ground temperature significantly. Please consider this when making plans for your animals (sufficient water, ride on floats instead of walking, etc.).

- 7 Walking groups must not have any children younger than 9 years old. All younger children must ride in a vehicle. Entries with children must have one adult chaperone per 10 children.

- 8 Parade line-up numbers will be available on the Town's website (www.townoffarragut.org) beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 3 and will be posted on the front and back doors of the Town Hall. Line-up numbers will also be available at the entrances of the high school on the day of the parade. **Please notify every participant in your group under what name you are registered.** Parade numbers will not be available by phone.

- 9 Only parade vehicles will be allowed to enter the parade line-up area. Older children and adults may be dropped off on the circle surrounding the line-up area. Those participating in the parade or those with small children will need to park in the overflow parking area. Town staff (in white shirts and orange vests) will be available at each entrance to give you the lineup number for your group. **Parents and Participants – please know your registered group name.**

All trailers must be connected to the tow vehicle with a ball and coupler or an implement pin connector. No ropes, wires, chains, etc. shall serve as the primary connection for the trailer to the vehicle.

- 10 All car club entries must travel side by side. (Reminder: limit 10 vehicles per club entry). Please remember that the parade moves very slowly. Antique cars should be able to "idle" for long periods of time.

Antique car participants – please plan on arriving at the high school by 8 a.m. in order to avoid the long line and overheating your car. There is not a special entrance or accommodation for antique cars so please allow for an early arrival.

- 11 All participants must stay in their assigned order throughout the parade.

- 12 Performance groups must not stop flow of parade. Performances may be done when natural stops occur along the parade route.

13 **The Town will not add two or more groups together. All information needs to be on one entry form.**