



228 Newman Street
East Tawas, Michigan 48730
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2024 INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE APPLICATION

THURSDAY, JULY 4, 2024, 11:00 AM

THEME: "LIFE IS BETTER ON THE BAY"

For everyone's safety, parade participants **must NOT throw candy or giveaways from floats or vehicles.** Walkers may hand out items to parade attendees. Please note: this important safety rule will be closely monitored. Throwing items encourages children to run between vehicles; other communities have suffered serious tragedy this way. Help us keep our community and children safe!

Business/Organization _____ Email _____
Contact Person _____ Telephone _____
Address _____ City/Zip _____

*****parade line-up information will be sent to the email on this form, multiple emails allowed*****

Entry Fee: (please check one) \$0 Military \$10 Civic Organizations \$10 Public Office Candidates
 \$20 All Others

Checks payable to the Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce.
All proceeds support the Fireworks Display!

Type of Entry: (please check one) Float Car Truck Classic Vehicle Animals

"For sale" signs are not permitted. You must clean up after your own animals.

If your animal is walking it must be escorted by someone walking alongside or riding the animal.

How many vehicles are being entered? _____ Estimated # of walkers _____

Does your entry have music, sirens, horns, etc.? Yes No

Do you have a special placement request (please list) _____

I take full responsibility for ensuring that all representatives of this applicant know of and agree to respectfully follow the guidelines so that an enjoyable and safe Fourth of July parade may be experienced by all. I also acknowledge receipt of the parade rules and will hold harmless the Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce, Board Members, Volunteers, Organizers, Sponsors, etc., associated with the event and relieve the aforementioned of any and all liability.

Signature

Date

Return Parade Application and Entry Fee to: TACC, 228 Newman Street, East Tawas, MI 48730
by Thursday June 28, 2024












CHAMBER OFFICE USE:

Assigned Street: _____ Date Received: _____

TAWAS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2024 INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE RULES

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-  **Please do not park on West Washington – this is a detour route.**
-  When you arrive, you must go to your designated line up street. Your street assignment will be sent to you no later than July 3, at noon. There will be Chamber volunteers assigned to the streets to assist you, if needed.
-  To stay clear of overhead wires, entries must be less than 13.5 feet high, as measured from the ground.
-  No flat beds over 25 feet in length (or semi-trucks) due to tight turns on Newman Street.
-  All vehicles must be "road safe." Good brakes are a must and adequate safety chains must be used on all towed units. Clear vision must be provided for drivers. A second person assisting the driver with watching for safety hazards is recommended.
-  **Remember – for the safety of the viewers, candy cannot be thrown from the floats or vehicles. All entries must provide walkers to hand out candy or other items to viewers along the entire parade route. This important safety rule will be closely monitored. Throwing items encourages children to run between vehicles; other communities have suffered serious tragedy this way. Help us keep our community and children safe!**
-  Alcoholic beverages and the use of water balloons, squirt guns, and similar items are prohibited.
-  All entrants participate at their own risk.
-  Please maintain a safe distance, approximately 1-2 car lengths between entries, but keep pace with the parade. Gaps between entries should not exceed 1-2 car lengths. Please limit stops to emergencies only.
-  The parade ends at Whittemore Street which is one street before the caution light in Tawas City. After turning on Whittemore Street, proceed one block up to Fifth Avenue. You may then proceed back to your point of origin.
-  There is \$20 entry fee per business, float or vehicle; \$10 for civic organizations; \$10 for public office candidates; active military and veteran groups are exempt from payment. Please make checks payable to the Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce. All proceeds support the Fireworks Display.

Questions may be directed to the Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce at 362-8643. Thank you for your support and participation in the Independence Day Parade!

I consent and take full responsibility for ensuring that all representatives of this applicant know of, and agree to respectfully follow the guidelines so that an enjoyable and safe Fourth of July parade may be experienced by all. I also acknowledge and will hold harmless the Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce, Board Members, Volunteers, Organizers, Sponsors, etc., associated with the event and relieve the aforementioned of any and all liability.

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I take full responsibility for ensuring that all representatives of this application know of and agree to not throw candy or giveaways from moving vehicles.

I understand that if I do not adhere to this policy, I may not be allowed to participate in future Independence Day parades.

Signature

Date

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