

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

1. There is a non-refundable parade entry fee of \$15.00 which should accompany your application.
2. All businesses, organizations, churches and individuals interested in participating in the parade should complete the information below and return to **PO Box 286, Waterloo, IL 62298** with payment and completed entry form.
3. All participant applications are subject to approval by the parade committee and space availability.
4. Location and other additional details will be sent via e-mail by November 21, 2021.
5. **Deadline for application is Monday, November 15, 2021.**

## **REQUIREMENTS**

1. Because Santa will be on a special float in the parade, all entries **are restricted from having a LIVE Santa** in order to avoid confusion for the kids.
2. All floats and vehicles must have **a minimum of 1,000 Christmas lights** in order to participate in the parade. More is even better!
3. Walking groups must be dressed in holiday-inspired costumes.
  - a. All walking groups **MUST** have adult supervision and members **MUST** be over seven (7) years of age.
  - b. Individuals must wear or carry something that glows, i.e., glow stick or glow necklace.
4. If using a pick-up truck that is not pulling a float, the bed must be decorated.
  - a. If a vehicle is not pulling a float, it must be approved by the committee and meet the float requirements of a minimum of 1,000 lights.
5. Vehicles need to turn off vehicle headlights (using fog lights only) while on parade route in order to showcase the Holiday lights on the parade entry. The only exception will be vehicles that are in front of a marching group.
6. For safety reasons, it is required that nothing be thrown from any vehicle.
7. For the safety of participants and attendees, **EVERY VEHICLE must have two walking individuals – one for each front wheel - to maintain crowd distance along the route.** Each assigned “wheel walker” must wear a yellow or bright orange safety vest and may not hand out candy. This is a city of Waterloo requirement. **Participants must provide their own vests.**
8. Other walkers may hand out candy/trinkets/etc. if you wish to distribute anything but this is optional. Walkers handing out items should be dressed in holiday attire.
9. No bikes allowed for safety reasons.
10. Alcohol is strictly prohibited.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

1. There is no designated theme this year. Any holiday type depiction is encouraged. Some ideas are snow scenes, families, holiday movies, old fashioned, television, musicals, Santa’s workshop, etc.
2. Float designs must be within the holiday inspired motifs.
3. In order to be considered for the Best Musical Entry category, your entry must have live music.
4. Fire proof or fire-resistant materials should be used whenever possible.
5. Parade line up will be at Gibault Catholic High School. Floats will be lined up in a first come first served for the parade as best as the lot allows.
6. **Winners will be announced at the Waterloo Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony (corner of Main & Mill St.) on December 2, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.** All photos will be posted to Facebook.

# GLOW in the Dark Lighted Holiday Parade Entry Application

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

We are submitting a:  Float  
 Walking Entry  Musical Entry

Name of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Entry: *(i.e. marching band, vehicle towing a trailer, decorated truck, strolling carolers etc.)*\_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned hereby acknowledges the GLOW in the Dark Holiday Parade Guidelines and will abide by the instructions and requirements.

In addition, the undersigned hereby releases, indemnifies and agrees to hold harmless GLOW, the City of Waterloo, participating merchants, civic groups and all affiliates, on account for damages, injury, theft or losses of any kind to the undersigned property, or for personal damages or injury.

The Committee has the right to refuse an inappropriate entry.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **PARTICIPANT FEE**

**Please submit this application and \$15 payment to the following address:**

**GLOW Parade Committee**

**P.O. Box 286**

**Waterloo, IL 62298**

*If you have questions, please email [waterlooglow@gmail.com](mailto:waterlooglow@gmail.com), message GLOW on Facebook or email Missy Toenjes at 618-444-1956 or Bethany Prange at 618-604-3642.*