

NEGRO ELECTION DAY

Rules and Regulations

RULES AND REGULATIONS UNDER WHICH ENTRIES WILL BE CONSIDERED IMPORTANT:

I. ALL ENTRIES

1. All participants must complete the online application form. All entries must have public entertainment value. Exceptions or special requests must be approved by the Salem United Parade Committee.
2. Because of the time limit of the parade **all entries may stop but for a limited time** during the parade route or in the stadium to perform maneuvers, yells, etc. Walking maneuvers, yells, etc. are allowed on the parade pace.
3. Parade units must stay in their assigned area and not disturb other units by walking in and through other units during the parade.
4. Dress for the parade must be appropriate for your entry. This is subject to the discretion of the Starter the day of the parade.

II. EQUESTRIAN ENTRIES

- a. Horse-drawn vehicles, riding groups, individual riders or floats will be accepted by the Salem United Parade Committee. Carriages, stagecoaches and wagons will be those that have been authentically restored and must be decorated subject to the approval of the Salem United Parade Committee. All applications must be approved in accordance with the rules set forth by the Salem United Parade Committee; as such units must have public entertainment value.

III. MARCHING / WALKING ENTRIES

- b. Marching units can consist of bands, either military, high school, university or college, or adult civic marching groups. Drill teams, cheerleaders and school mascot applications will be accepted unless their representing school band is participating or approved by the Salem United Parade Committee and they must walk with their band. All applications must be approved in accordance with the rules set forth by the Salem United Parade Committee; as such units must *have public entertainment value*.

- c.* All participants are required to walk the entire miles parade route at the appropriate pace or be subject to removal to ensure proper parade timing (unless health issues become a factor). The decision to remove such a unit will be at the sole discretion of parade officials on site.
- d.* The child member can be picked up at the finish of the parade.
- e.* No amateur or semi-amateur clowns will be permitted in the parade unless approved by the Salem United Parade Committee. Clowns will be required to stay in their assigned parade order and not disturb other entries by walking in and through their units.
- f.* Mascots may be in a vehicle or in a cage pulled by a vehicle, if in accordance with the rules and regulations for vehicles and floats. Information must be stated on application and approved in accordance with the rules set forth by the Salem United Parade Committee.

IV. INSURANCE

Salem United assumes no responsibility for accidents by any participant.

V. APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS

The number of entries will not be limited. The number of entries to the parade area will not be limited because of spacing and restrictions.

VI. EXCEPTIONS

Any exceptions to the above rules must be given in writing by the Salem United Parade Committee. The decision to remove any entry or portion of any entry will be at the sole discretion of Parade official on site.

VI. CANCELLATIONS

Due to last minute cancellations or no shows, some Organizations may be asked to pay a \$50.00 - \$100.00 fee if you cancel at the last minute. In the past last-minute cancellations and no shows have caused the media sponsors to go off script with live streaming, because of the list not in order.

Last minute would be after June 1, 2025 or later. Any exceptions to the above rules must be given in writing.

Any questions or concerns contact parade committee at: Salemunitedvendors@gmail.com