



## **RULES & GUIDELINES FOR ENTRY**

**~~ ALL PARTICIPANTS KNOW YOUR LINE-UP NUMBER~~**

**DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2013 @ 11:00**

**DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>**

**KNOWING LINE-UP NUMBER IS A NECESSITY – ASK A MARSHALS (IN ORANGE VEST) OR**

**VIDALIA POLICE OFFICERS**

**LINE-UP BEGINS...9:30 A.M.**

**1. ENTRIES MUST BE 60% DECORATED**

The entry should adhere to the theme and be tastefully decorated, including creativity and originality

**2. POOP BAGS FOR HORSES**

Horses and riders are welcome in the parade; however, all horses must use poop bags

**3. BEAUTY QUEENS & KINGS**

Limit of 3 cars per organization for QUEENS/KINGS...We encourage FLOATS for a quality parade; consider providing a FLOAT FOR Queen/Kings...The Parade Committee, reserves the rights to "limit" or decline entries not appropriate

**4. ENTRANTS SIGN & IDENTITY OF YOUR FLOAT/ENTRY**

YOUR MARSHAL will provide the sign for you on arrival – PARADE DAY

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO DISPLAY THE SIGN "INSIDE" YOUR WINDSHIELD ... visible for JUDGES & MEDIA

**5. ORDER OF LINE-UP AS ASSIGNED IS A NECESSITY**

Please stay in line...displaced entries results in CONFUSION & ERRORS for MEDIA broadcast

**6. ONE SANTA**

The PARADE COMMITTEE reserves the rights to SANTA FOR THE PARADE. There is only one SANTA

**7. GROUPS WITH CHILDREN**

Dance Studios, churches and groups with children/adults...PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL YOUR RIDERS KNOW YOUR LINE-UP #, in order for the marshals to assist them to the correct LINE-UP SPACE

**8. THROWING CANDY, BUBBLE GUM, OR ANY OTHER ITEMS IS PROHIBITED**

This is a safety issue and is authorized by the VPD. No items can be thrown from vehicles IN PARADE

Walking or distributing candy from the sidelines is permitted

**9. SAFETY 1<sup>ST</sup>: NO ONE MAY RIDE ON THE HOOD OF ANY VEHICLE**

**10. MOTORCYLES**

Motorcycles or any other vehicle will not be allowed to damage streets, such as burning and marking city property

Marshals are "instructed" to remove any violators from the parade

**11. NO COMMERCIAL OR POLITICAL ADVERTISING**

The Vidalia Christmas Parade is not a forum for advertisement. You are allowed to display the name of your business on a float...NO TRUCKS, VANS OR CARS allowed as an entrant in parade "WITH ADVERTISING" just for this sole purpose

**12. SPACING OF IMPORTANCE (Marshals will enforce)**

All units must maintain fifty-foot (50) between entries – at all times

Marshals are asked to tighten up areas "when" needed to keep the parade moving

**13. DISBAND PARADE: 3 options**

**1) AIMWELL ROAD/SLAYTON STREET: TURN RIGHT ONLY – CARS AND OTHERS (NO FLOATS PLEASE)**

GO TO: CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH – VIDALIA BAPTIST TEMPLE – VIDALIA MASONIC LODGE

**2) BROADFOOT BLVD: FLOATS TURN RIGHT "ONLY" ~ GO TO SALLY MEADOWS SCHOOL**

IF YOU CHOOSE...turn right off BROADFOOT BLVD. to return to the original staging area on Church Street

**3) ANY ENTRANT may go straight out Hwy. 280 East**

Thanks for your cooperation & attention to CREATE A SMOOTH, SAFE LINE-UP ON PARADE DAY!