

Parade Rules for Hyde Park Parades

The following rules are for the safety of all parade participants and spectators.

1. No items will be distributed from any vehicle or float. Distribution by walkers is permitted at curb-side only. Campaigning for political office or ballot propositions is prohibited.
2. The use of foul language or inappropriate behavior is not permitted.
3. Absolutely no alcohol is to be consumed at any time. Violators are subject to the penalties stated in Hyde Park Local Law #3 of 1980.
4. On approach of an **Emergency Vehicle**, all units will give way as far right as possible.
5. Floats:
 - The view of the driver must not be obstructed.
 - Grab bars and handles should be placed for riders.
 - The float must be structurally sound so there is no risk of collapse during the parade.
 - People on floats may not hang over the sides at any time.
 - Consider fire danger and carbon monoxide hazard.

Floats that are signed up for competition will be judged on overall appearance, use of the theme, construction, special effects, and costumes/uniforms. Trophies and ribbons will be awarded at the end of each parade.

6. All units with children must have adult supervision.
7. All units are asked to keep the parade line of march tight. Please avoid gaps if at all possible.

The above rules apply not only to line-up but also include the parade and closing ceremonies. These rules will be strictly enforced. Violators may be ordered to leave the parade and forfeit their right to participate in the following year's parades.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Diane Cullen, Recreation Leader at 229-8086 or recprogramleader@hydeparkny.us.