

2024 PARADE PARTICIPANT RULES AND REGULATIONS –

The Milford Historical Society Independence Parade is an entertainment event. It is geared for both businesses and families to show off our town and support this great country where we live.

- The parade line-up will begin at 10 AM on the morning of the parade and will be on Union, Hickory and East Streets (see map).
- All vehicles towing floats should be driven with a clear path of vision. People walking along side should help with keeping children from stepping in front of the vehicle and getting injured.
- The Parade line up will be mailed or e-mailed about a week before the event. We ask that each participant respond by phone, E-mail, etc. that they have received their Parade Spot Number at that time.
- Entry themes or props must not be based on controversial, political or social issues. Naturally, no alcoholic beverages or banned drugs are allowed.
- Parade participants are permitted to distribute material while going down the parade route. Absolutely nothing including candies, toys can be THROWN at the parade viewers. Michigan State Law prohibits throwing items in a parade. Please hand these items to the parade participants. We don't want anyone hurt while running into the traffic to pick up items off the ground.
- Please do not leave any large gaps between your float and the one in front. The Parade is usually video taped and video copies are shown to the community and nursing homes throughout the year. Large gaps destroy the continuity of the parade. We suggest no more than 20 feet exist between each group/float/vehicle.
- An announcer will be reading your provided script promoting your exhibit as you pass by. It is important that you fill in the bottom of the application so that the announcer knows what to say about your group.
- Milford Historical Society volunteers wearing MHS T-Shirts will be situated all along the route to assist and answer any questions that arise.
- We encourage animals in the Parade, but insist that they not be dangerous and are properly trained to be among people while leashed, ridden, hooked up, etc. Horse riding groups are requested to provide a pooper-scooper following their group.
- The Milford Historical Society reserves the right to restrict, limit, accept or reject any exhibit application.
- Our goal is to have everyone go home after the event with fond memories of a Parade well done in a safe, fun and interesting manner.