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## 2017 Independence Day Parade Application

Tuesday, July 4, 2017, 11:00 am  
Theme: "Hats off to America"

For everyone's safety, parade participants must NOT throw candy or giveaways from floats or vehicles. Walkers may hand out items to parade attendees. Please note: this important safety rule will be closely monitored and those who violate this rule will be banned from participation in future parades. Throwing items encourages children to run between vehicles; other communities have suffered serious tragedy this way. Help us keep our community and children safe!

Business/Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Fee: (please check one) ☐ \$0 Military ☐ \$10 Civic Organizations ☐ \$10 Public Office Candidates  
☐ \$20 All Others

Checks payable to the Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce.  
All proceeds support the Fireworks Display!

Type of Entry: (please check one) ☐ Float ☐ Car ☐ Truck ☐ Classic Vehicle ☐ Animals

"For sale" signs are not permitted. You must clean up after your own animals.

How many vehicles are being entered? \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated # of walkers \_\_\_\_\_

Does your entry have music, sirens, horns, etc.? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you have a special placement request (please list) \_\_\_\_\_

*I consent and take full responsibility for ensuring that all representatives of this applicant know of, and agree to respectfully follow the guidelines so that an enjoyable and safe Fourth of July parade may be experienced by all. I also acknowledge receipt of the parade rules and will hold harmless the Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce, Board Members, Volunteers, Organizers, Sponsors, etc., associated with the event and relieve the aforementioned of any and all liability.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Return Parade Application and Entry Fee to: TACC, P.O. Box 608, Tawas City, MI 48764












### CHAMBER OFFICE USE:

Assigned Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

# Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce 2017 Independence Day Parade Rules

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-  **Please do not park on West Washington – this is a detour route.**
-  When you arrive, you must go to your designated line up street. Your street assignment will be sent to you no later than June 29. There will be Chamber volunteers assigned to the streets to assist you, if needed.
-  To stay clear of overhead wires, entries must be less than 13.5 feet high, as measured from the ground.
-  No flat beds over 15 feet in length (or semi-trucks) due to tight turns on Newman Street.
-  All vehicles must be "road safe." Good brakes are a must and adequate safety chains must be used on all towed units. Clear vision must be provided for drivers. A second person assisting the driver with watching for safety hazards is recommended.
-  *Remember – for the safety of the viewers, candy cannot be thrown from the floats or vehicles. All entries must provide walkers to hand out candy or other items to viewers along the entire parade route. This important safety rule will be closely monitored and those who violate this rule will be banned from participation in future parades. Throwing items encourages children to run between vehicles; other communities have suffered serious tragedy this way. Help us keep our community and children safe!*
-  Alcoholic beverages and the use of water balloons, squirt guns, and similar items are prohibited.
-  All entrants participate at their own risk.
-  Please maintain a safe distance, approximately 1-2 car lengths between entries, but keep pace with the parade. Gaps between entries should not exceed 1-2 car lengths. Please limit stops to emergencies only.
-  The parade ends at Whittemore Street which is one street before the caution light in Tawas City. After turning on Whittemore Street, proceed one block up to Fifth Avenue. You may then proceed back to your point of origin.
-  There is \$20 entry fee per business, float or vehicle; \$10 for civic organizations; \$10 for public office candidates; active military and veteran groups are exempt from payment. Please make checks payable to the Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce. All proceeds support the Fireworks Display.

Questions may be directed to the Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce at 362-8643. Thank you for your support and participation in the Independence Day Parade!

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