

**APPLICATION FOR ALTOONA FOURTH OF JULY  
PARADE PARTICIPATION**

**TUESDAY JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 @ 10:00 A.M.**

Parade line-up @ 8:00 A.M. along 8<sup>th</sup> Street SW

**\$25 FEE TO ENTER**

Nonprofits are exempt from entry fee

BUSINESS/GROUP: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL (required): \_\_\_\_\_

Size of entry so that your entry will be given adequate space. (i.e., pickup with trailer/3 car lengths followed by 20 dancers/3 car lengths; scout troop of 12 walkers with flags in color guard/2 car lengths, etc.)

Entry Size: \_\_\_\_\_

**CATEGORY:**

Decorated Float

Decorated Car

Decorated Pickup

Band (marching or on float)

Color Guard w/ flags

Other (please describe): \_\_\_\_\_

Horses (clean-up crew required)

Antique Cars/Tractors etc.

Police, Fire & Rescue

Walkers

Will your float/unit be amplified/playing music?  Yes  No

**PLEASE MARK ALL SUB-CATEGORIES THAT APPLY:**

Service Org.

School Group

Business Entry

Military/Veterans Org.

Religious Org.

Political (positives only)

Use the space below to include a detailed description of your entry to read by the announcers. You can also email a description to [shawntel@iowarealty.com](mailto:shawntel@iowarealty.com) (Call with questions at: **515-770-5534**)

# PARADE WAIVER FORM

Registration Deadline is WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup> 2023

I understand that there are risks of injury or damage to property in participation in the Altoona Fourth of July Parade in Altoona, IA on TUESDAY, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> 2023.

The Altoona Fourth of July Parade Committee, officers, members, volunteers, Altoona Area Historical Society, and the City of Altoona, are not responsible for any injury as a result of the parade or damage to property as a result of participation.

Furthermore, I agree to pay, protect, indemnify and save the above-mentioned groups and individuals from all liabilities, damages, costs, expenses, causes of action, lawsuits, demands, judgements, and claims of any nature, including, but not limited to, any liability to the above-named groups or individuals that may occur, rising from, by reason, or in connection with my participation in this elected activity.

Acting as the responsible party, I assume responsibility for all those individuals, both minors and adults, associated with my entry in the Altoona Fourth of July Parade on TUESDAY, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> 2023.

PLEASE PRINT!

GROUP NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

\*This form **MUST** be signed and received by the Parade Chair in order for you to participate. Please have a detailed description of your entry in the space below to be read at the judging area.

# Altoona Fourth of July Parade Safety Rules

The success of the Altoona Fourth of July Parade depends on you! The parade will be approximately 1.5 miles long. The following rules will provide a safe and successful 2023 parade for entrants and spectators.

## Police and Safety Patrol

- Their role is to help with safety issues.
- You must comply with their requests for the safety of parade participants and spectators.
- If you do not comply, your parade entry will be required to leave the parade route.

## Candy Distribution

- If you wish to toss candy, you will need to provide walkers alongside your float.
- No candy is to be thrown from your unit/vehicle/float/trailer etc.
- No squirting or spraying water or throwing water balloons at spectators.

## Vehicles

- All vehicles towing a float must have safety chains between the vehicle and the float and the float must be secured.
- All cars/trucks must be street legal.
- In the interest of safety to observers along the parade route, motorcycles, hot rods, or other entries of a questionable nature will be included or excluded in the judgment of the parade chairperson.

## Spacing

- To avoid the breakdown of the parade, all units shall maintain a maximum distance of 30 feet from the unit ahead.
- No entry, including bands or marching units shall perform in a manner as to impede the forward progress of the parade.
- Walking entries must be able to keep up with the pace of the parade and provide a banner/sign with their organization/business/group name.

**FOR SAFETY REASONS: Fill out and submit your form no later than June 17,2023.**

**\*Make sure to fill out the liability form attached. You may mail your form to Shawntel Cooney at 365 NE 77th Ct, Pleasant Hill, IA 50327. You may also submit your form vis email to shawntel@iowarealty.com. If you have any questions, You may call Shawntel Cooney at 515-770-5534.**

# **PARADE GUIDELINES**

Registration Deadline is SATURDAY, JUNE 17th, 2023

1. No entry fee is required to participate.
2. Each parade entry must submit an application and signed waiver form by the deadline of SATURDAY, JUNE 17th, 2023.
3. For safety, only registered floats and vehicles will be allowed in the staging area.
4. The parade sponsors encourage floats to be decorated for the Fourth of July holiday. Please make sure your float includes your organization/business name displayed. Include a detailed description of your entry to be read by the announcers.
5. All cars/trucks must be street legal.
6. Equestrian or other animal/pet entries are REQUIRED to provide clean-up crews to follow entries. Waste clean-up in the staging area is mandated. It is recommended to pull hay 12 hours prior to the parade.
7. The Altoona Fourth of July Parade Committee reserves the right to make any revisions at any time without prior notice. The Committee also reserves the right to restrict and/ or remove parade entries.
8. If music is to be played from the float, parade officials must be notified in the application in advance of the parade so they may place the entry accordingly, and keep it further away from any marching bands and/or musical ensembles.
9. All parades will start promptly at the time designated, except in the event of bad weather, when officials may delay the start as much as one hour or cancel, without rescheduling.
10. Make sure all participants/individuals included in your entry have enough water for the duration of the parade. Maps and detailed staging and route information will be mailed or emailed to you after the June 17th, 2023 registration deadline.