General Rules Regarding Assembly Area, Parade Line Up & Parade

Entry numbers and section maps will be mailed the Monday before the event. Packets should arrive to main contact on entry form by mid-week. Be sure and bring your section map with you on parade day. Please report to the parade official in your section beginning at 2:00 PM. Road closures for staging areas begins at 3:00 p.m. Road closures for parade route is at 5:00 p.m. Entries MUST be present by 4:30 or face disqualification.

- 1. The Redding Lighted Christmas Parade is a long time Redding tradition, always held on the first Saturday Evening in December. Each year the Active 20-30 Club chooses a specific theme for the parade and we encourage entry designs to be in keeping with the theme. We recognize that it is not always possible, however, the general theme of the parade is "Christmas" and we require every entry to follow this general theme. The Active 20-30 Club reserves the right to determine the overall appropriateness of any entry in the Lighted Christmas Parade and to deny entry to anyone not adhering to the general theme of the parade.
- 2. Any entry having more than one competing unit must pay an entry fee for each unit. NO EXCEPTIONS. (Example: Your band, cheerleaders and drum majors must compete in their own categories).
- 3. In order not to confuse the children, THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE LIVE SANTA CLAUS, which is provided by the Active 20-30 Club. If a live Santa Claus is in your entry, your entry will be DISQUALIFIED and taken out of the parade line-up! NO EXCEPTIONS.
- 4. Every entry MUST be lighted. NO EXCEPTIONS. This means any person(s) walking, including chaperones. All vehicles must be lighted NO EXCEPTIONS. Entries without lights will not be admitted in the parade lineup. Headlights of vehicles do not qualify. Battery operated lights can be purchased at most variety stores.
- 5. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WILL BE ALLOWED ON OR AROUND THE PARADE ENTRIES OR ROUTE.
- 6. FOR SAFETY REASONS, NO ITEMS OF ANY KIND ARE TO BE THROWN OR HANDED OUT TO THE CROWD FROM ANYONE IN ANY ENTRY (IE: CANDY, BALLOONS, CANS, ETC.)
- 7. ALL VEHICLES SHALL MAINTAIN A SAFE SPEED AND MUST BE SAFELY OPERATED.
- 8. All entries 12 years and younger MUST have an adult present.
- 9. Guard railings must be at least 42 inches high on all floats that will have active movement.
- 10. LENGTH OF VEHICLE(S) AND/OR FLOAT MUST BE LISTED ON REGISTRATION FORM. This total length of entry is to include number of vehicles, walkers, etc.
- 11. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE LINED UP BY 4:30 PM OR THEY MAY BE DISQUALIFIED.
- 12. All entries must maintain a space of 50 feet from the entry ahead. If any entry stalls or stops, the parade will move around it. Any entry not completing the route as a complete unit, will be disqualified. The determination of entry placement and category is governed by the Parade Director, and is final.
- 13. If paper is used in the construction of an entry, the paper must be flame retardant. A fire extinguisher (size 2A-10 BC or larger) is required on all entries. Floats will be inspected by the Redding Fire Department in the staging area.
- 14. Bands must play continuously, with no more than eight complete cadences between selections.
- 15. Only Christmas Music shall be played.
- 16. This is a holiday parade and children are especially encouraged to participate, as individuals or as a group. We welcome commercial floats and tasteful advertising is allowed.
- 17. Trophies will be awarded following the conclusion of the parade at a time and location to be announced. Judges' decisions are FINAL.
- 18. Any entry violating any of the above rules or not keeping with the theme of the parade will be immediately removed from the parade and will be subject to disqualification from future parade participation.

Route: South on California to Sacramento, left onto Sacramento to Pine, left onto Pine to Yuba, right onto Yuba to Liberty, left onto Liberty to Butte where parade ends. Additional information on route and assembly will be sent with parade numbers. To return to staging area please follow designated route on parade route map.