

2023 PARADE INFORMATION

Dear Parade Participant:

The Town of Hildebran Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, December 2nd at 1:00 pm. Thank you for your entry form! Below is information that you will need to participate in this event. Please read these instructions carefully and communicate these details to everyone in your party.

Decorations

We highly encourage decorating your float, vehicle, etc. to dazzle our community!

Candy/Handouts

For safety reasons, candy and other giveaways cannot be thrown into the crowd or on the road/curb. However, you may have someone walk beside your vehicle and hand out candy or other freebies to the crowd.

<u>Lineup/Arrival Time</u> Participants can begin entering onto 1st Street SW to lineup at 11:30am. Our Grand Marshal, Sheriff, elected officials and any other special guests will be lined up first and then other entries will be lined up as they arrive. The Town reserves the right to alter the lineup as it sees fit on the day of the parade. All participants will be lined up by 12:30 p.m. Once in line, please turn off your vehicle. * <u>Horses will be directed to a separate location and must remain there until staff places you in the lineup (before Santa)</u>. All horses MUST be diapered or a clean-up team MUST walk with the horses in order to participate in the parade.

Entry

Parade participants (except those notated below*) must enter the parade onto First Street SW from the US Hwy 70 side at Los Compadres (formerly Dominos).

*The following participants must enter the parade area from the Hildebran Elementary School entrance and drive up behind the school. Park on the right side of the road until staff communicates that it is your turn to enter the parade lineup.

All firetrucks, Concrete Trucks, Wreckers, Ambulances

Drop Offs

If a parade participant needs to be dropped off, communicate to them that they need to be dropped off at the FRONT of the school building located at 202 S. Center St. and should arrive no later than 11:45 am.

Waiting

If you have a group participating in the parade, please meet your group on the ball fields located beside First Street SW. The location is provided to keep everyone safe and out of the road.

Procession

In order for everyone to view your exciting floats and rides, please take your time while going through the route. We have people walking handing out candy. Please do your best not to leave the group behind you. It's ok if you need to creep or even stop at times to allow the group behind you to catch up. This will give your float more time to be enjoyed by the crowd.

Restrooms

Restrooms will be available in the community center (back side of school building).

Rain

The parade will be held rain or shine unless there is lightening or heavy thunderstorms that are forecasted to last during the parade. If the parade is cancelled, the notice will be posted on the Town of Hildebran Facebook page by 11:00 am on the day of the parade. There is no reschedule date.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Town Hall at 828-397-5801 before the parade date.

A drone will be in use during the parade.