

**CITY OF FAIRFAX INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION  
PARTICIPANT INFORMATION**

- 1) **Competition numbers will be distributed by your lineup officials' day of parade.** Competition # should be displayed on both sides of the unit or in the middle of your parade entry (on one side of marching unit or multiple group). Please be sure to have your competition number visible for the judges and TV MC's. Judging will take place throughout the parade.
- 2) The parade will step off promptly at 10 a.m. All Divisions are to be in their respective lineup area by 9 am.
- 3) **If you arrive after 9 a.m., all traffic must enter the line-up area via Judicial Drive and Main Street. Traffic on Route 123 north bound must follow detour signs for Route 236 west (Main Street) to Judicial Drive after 9 am.**
- 4) **Due to space limitations, we are unable to allow personal vehicles to be parked in DIVISION LOTS. Vehicles in division lots are limited to those actually going through the parade. For your convenience, we have arranged for all personal vehicles to be parked in the Massey Building parking garages (parking passes not required). Thank you for your cooperation. ENCLOSED PARKING PASSES ARE FOR VEHICLES GOING THROUGH PARADE. ONLY THESE VEHICLES MAY PARK IN DIVISION LOTS.**
- 5) The roads in the parade area (Main Street, University Drive, Route 123, Sager Avenue, West Street, Armstrong Street) will be closed to all traffic at 9 a.m. The only exception is Judicial Drive off Route 236 (Main Street).
- 6) Please enter and exit the lineup area via the routes indicated on the enclosed map (Judicial Drive and Page Avenue.)
- 7) **Groups with children under six (6) years of age must have a vehicle available for children to ride.**
- 8) Please be sure to send someone from your organization to the check-in table to advise us you have arrived.
- 9) Cooperation with parade officials is mandatory. Failure to do so will jeopardize participation in future parades. Spacing gaps between units will be decreased this year.
- 10) **During the parade, nothing may be thrown to the crowd from the parade unit,** individuals may walk along the edge of the crowd so that the crowd does not get up and enter into the street to get items.
- 11) **Parade units must not stop anywhere on the route.** Judging of units is throughout the parade.
- 12) Upon completion of the parade route please:
  - 1) Motorized Units: continue down Judicial Drive and re-enter the lineup area via Page Avenue.
  - 2) Walking Units: turn right onto West Street and immediately turn left into the parking area to the left of the Massey Building.
- 13) The parade will be shown live on Channel 12 and rebroadcast on a delayed basis. Tapes may be purchased from Community Relations office (703/293-7120), in City Hall, 10455 Armstrong Street, Fairfax.
- 14) There will not be an awards ceremony during the parade. Awards will be mailed or, if you wish, picked up at the Parks & Recreation Department, 3730 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax, after July 8<sup>th</sup>.

**THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN OUR 2004 PARADE**