



Irish Festival

Parade Lineup instructions:

Thank you for participating in the North Country Goes Green Irish Festival Parade! Please read the instructions below and keep them with you for the parade.

If you have any questions prior to the parade call us at (315) 771-9969 or email us at nnyirish@gmail.com.

1. There will be Parade Staff along the lineup area to help you find your location, including: Parade Chairman Sean Hennessey (315) 771-9969 or Shanie Strife (315) 783-2418.
2. Please report to your assigned location on Parade day no later than 12:30pm.
3. Numbered signs will indicate your location. They will be placed along the road. Please find the sign with your number and stay to the side of the road to allow traffic through. Keep the sign in front of your entry.
4. Vehicles that are not participating in the parade are asked to immediately unload and move out of the street.
5. Do not change your location unless approved by Parade Staff. We may move your location if we deem it necessary. Please cooperate fully with Parade Staff. Failure to stay in your assigned location could result in your not being announced properly in the judges area.
6. Enter parade route from the rear of your assigned street. PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE ROUTE FROM ANY OF THE ENTRANCES ON WASHINGTON STREET.
7. The City of Watertown has asked that the new dog ordinance be observed during the parade. Dogs are allowed in the parade. They must be secured on a 6 foot or less leash. The dog handler must walk on the centerline of the street and not allow contact between the dog and the public. Anyone walking dogs in the parade assumes all liability and responsibility for injuries or damage caused by the dog immediately before, during, and immediately after the parade. We also ask that the utmost care be given to all animals involved in the parade. Please make sure they are secure and safe.
8. NO CANDY SHOULD BE THROWN FROM FLOATS! Please have people walking along the side of the street handing out candy rather than throwing candy from a float. We did have small children running in front of floats last year to pick up candy. We want to prevent that from reoccurring. Anyone breaking this rule will be instructed to stop immediately and will not be allowed in next year's parade.
9. If you are displaying the U.S. Flag marching, or on your float, please observe all flag etiquette. The flag should be displayed parade right and higher than any other flag. The flag should never touch the ground.
10. Judging of parade entries is done as the parade passes by our judging stand in front of the Dulles State Office Building. Our Parade Master of Ceremonies will announce your entry in the parade as you pass by the judging stand. We will use the information you provided on your entry form. All decisions of the judges are final.
11. Awards will be announced at 3 pm during the Irish Festival at the 1st Floor Stage. If you are absent during the award ceremony and don't collect your prize, we will contact you to arrange for pickup.