

Dover 400 Anniversary Committee presents the
2023 Dover 400th Anniversary Parade
“Celebrating 400 Years of Dover - The Garrison City”
Sunday, July 2nd, 2023 at 2:30pm

ENTRY FORM: *Entry form must be completed and returned by Friday, June 8, 2023.*

Organization or Individual: _____

Contact Person: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Category Entering:

_____ Diplomat/VIP _____ Color Guard _____ Commercial Float
_____ Marching Unit _____ Youth & Teen Float* _____ Organizational Float
_____ Civic Float _____ Mobile Unit ** ~ Must be decorated

* *Youth & Teen Float* entry includes youth organizations, schools, etc.

** *For Mobile Unit:* Number of Vehicles: _____ Type (antique, cars, vans): _____

Float Specifics:

Dimension of the float _____ length (ft.) _____ height (ft.) - max 13 feet

Will there be music on your float? Yes or No

For All Entries - Please Describe Your Entry:

I have read and understand the listed rules and regulations on the reverse side of this entry form.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

The Parade Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry not meeting safety guidelines.

**Please return this form to: Stephanie Bolduc at dover400parade@gmail.com.
Questions, please contact Stephanie at 603.978.4929 or email: dover400parade@gmail.com**

DOVER 400 PARADE GUIDELINES

Presented by Dover 400

ENTRY DEADLINE: Friday, June 9, 2023. A Fee of \$50 will be applied to applications received after June 9 and will not be accepted after Friday, June 16.

- **All entrants must submit a certificate of insurance.** This can be obtained from your carrier. Please have your carrier put the name of the insured on the certificate that they send to Dover 400 so that we will know the float it is covering. It may be emailed to dover400parade@gmail.com
- **Float Trailers must meet the following requirements:** it may not have protruding or outrigger wheels unless modified to protect all from the wheel assembly; it must have rails; a minimum of one adult ride on a trailer to supervise children; and riders must keep within the perimeter of the vehicle. You must be in compliance with all state parade float safety guidelines. Contact us with questions prior to the parade.
- Line up is assigned soon after the entry deadline. The contact person listed on this form will receive an information package via email with your street assignment and arrival time by June 29th.
- Applicants assume all responsibility for any loss or damage in connection with their float entry at the City of Dover 400th Anniversary Parade. The Dover 400 committee will not be liable for any damage, theft or loss of property or injury.
- The Dover 400 committee and the Dover 400 Parade Committee reserve the right to cancel the Dover 400 Parade (prior to commencement or during the event) for any reason - including inclement weather. Dover 400 Parade Committee will have complete and absolute discretion in determining if/when the event will be cancelled.
- Dover 400 Parade Committee will have complete and absolute discretion in accepting entries for the Dover 400 Parade. Entry shall not be refused based on sex, race, religion, age or any other classification prohibited by law.
- **Unregistered entries will not be allowed to participate in the Dover 400 Parade.**
- All participants must arrive at the assigned time on their information packet. (Floats: 11:15 AM, Other Units: 1:30 PM) All entries must check in with a street monitor upon arrival. Anyone not in place by the designated time will forfeit that location. In the case of a late arrival, the entry will be moved to the end of the parade.
- No spray string, stink bombs or any other product interfering with the safety and enjoyment of the audience will be allowed. No firearms are to be discharged anywhere along the parade route.
- **For safety reasons, participants on vehicles or walking may not throw candy or other handouts to people along the parade route. Candy may be handed out to the crowd by walkers only. You MUST not hold up the parade by lagging too far behind the unit in front of you.**
- **Distribution of brochures or literature for fund-raising or promotional purposes is not allowed along the parade route.**
- **No float and/or vehicle are to be left unattended at any time while waiting for the parade to start.**
- **No equine units with riders will be in the parade this year.**
- **No units promoting political views, etc. will be in the parade this year.**
- Questions, comments, ideas, or concerns should be forwarded to Stephanie Bolduc at dover400parade@gmail.com or by calling 603.978.4929.

New Hampshire State Law Regarding Parade Safety

1. RSA 265:108-a Parade Vehicles.

- I. No person may operate a vehicle in a parade unless the following safety precautions are taken:
- (a) No person may use any type of vehicle with protruding or outrigger wheels in a parade unless the vehicle is suitably modified to protect both riders and pedestrians from the wheel assembly.
 - (b) At least one adult, other than the driver, shall supervise children riding on a vehicle in a parade and have a reasonable means of immediate communication with the driver. The number of adults supervising the children shall not be less than one adult per every 4 children and sufficient to ensure that each child is visible to a supervising adult.
 - (c) Children riding on a vehicle in a parade shall remain entirely within the perimeter of the vehicle and, if standing, shall be reasonably protected from probable injury if the vehicle suddenly starts or stops.
- II. Any person operating a vehicle without following all of the safety precautions listed in paragraph I shall be guilty of a violation, and shall be subject to the following fines:
- (a) \$50 for a first offense.
 - (b) \$100 for a second or subsequent offense.
2. Every operator of every vehicle must be in possession of a valid motor vehicle operator's license.
3. Every vehicle, including towed vehicles, must hold a valid registration. Vehicles also must have a valid state inspection certificate if required by law.

Any float or vehicle in the parade found to be in violation of any of the foregoing shall be immediately removed from the parade. Individuals riding in the vehicles or on the floats will be allowed to continue in the parade by walking.

To the extent of any violation of the foregoing is a prosecutable offense, such prosecution may be initiated.