

## Calgary Stampede Parade Guidelines, Best Practices, and Rules - 2025

Thank you for your interest in participating in the world-class Calgary Stampede Parade!

We invite you to carefully review the following Guidelines, Best Practices, and Rules (the **Rules**). If you have any questions about these Rules or about participation in the Calgary Stampede Parade (the **CS Parade**), please contact your entry coordinator or email: [parade@calgarystampede.com](mailto:parade@calgarystampede.com).

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**TO ENTER:** Entries are by invitation and/or by application approved by the Calgary Stampede Parade Committee (the **CS Parade Committee**). There is no entry fee.

**APPLICATION CLOSING DATE:** The CS Parade Committee **must receive** all applications with full description and photograph/illustration by February 15.

Due to the high number of applications each year, late or incomplete applications may not be accepted. Acceptance of late or incomplete applications shall be at the sole and unfettered discretion of the CS Parade Committee.

**INSURANCE:** All entries approved for the CS Parade **must** provide a Certificate of Insurance as evidence that insurance is maintained for your entry and your entry's participants. All entries are required to provide a \$2,000,000 liability insurance certificate that names each of the following as additional insureds:

- (i) The City of Calgary;
- (ii) The Confluence Historic Site and Parkland; and
- (iii) the Calgary Stampede.

If you do not have the appropriate insurance, please contact your insurance broker or this agency, who have agreed to work with our CS Parade entries:

BFL Canada Inc., c/o TULIP Programs Team  
#200, 1167 Kensington Crescent NW, Calgary, AB T2N 1X7  
Phone: 403-705-5362  
E-mail [tulipprogram@bflcanada.ca](mailto:tulipprogram@bflcanada.ca)

The failure or refusal of an entry to provide proof of appropriate insurance to the CS Parade Committee or to have the appropriate insurance in place on Parade Day shall result in the entry being refused permission to participate in the CS Parade.

**SAFETY:** All participants are responsible for ensuring that the design and operation of their entry is safe and reliable.

**AUTOMOBILE:** Cars, trucks, motorcycles or any other type of motor vehicle are not permitted as a stand-alone entry.

**SPONSORSHIP/COMMERCIALISM:** Recognition of commercial sponsors is acceptable, provided that it is done tastefully, meets CS Parade Committee standards and that the commercial message does not dominate the entry. The CS Parade Committee reserves the right, in its sole and unfettered discretion, to reject blatantly commercialized entries.

**PROHIBITED USE OF TRADEMARKS AND LOGOS:** Entries are expressly prohibited from using any and all Calgary Stampede brands, trademarks, and logos, including but not limited to, “Calgary Stampede”, “C Lazy S”, “P Quarter Circle”, and “Parade Committee”, without the express prior written permission of the Calgary Stampede and/or CS Parade Committee as applicable.

**FINAL ACCEPTANCE DECISION:** Acceptance decisions will be made based upon the following criteria:

- (i) compliance with these Rules;
- (ii) visual presentation, entertainment value, and the presence of a consistent theme;  
and
- (iii) promotion of the Calgary Stampede’s core values of western hospitality, integrity, pride of place, and commitment to the community.

The CS Parade Committee will make the final decision about the acceptance or rejection of all entry applications and may limit the number of entries in any one category.

The CS Parade Committee reserves the right, in its sole and unfettered discretion, to reject any entry if it determines that participation by any individual, group, company, or group of entities would be detrimental to the CS Parade, the CS Parade Committee, and/or the Calgary Stampede. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Promoting any political, partisan, activist, or religious activity;
- Using the Calgary Stampede and/or CS Parade as a platform for political, partisan, ideological, or religious elements of a cause or platform;

- A cause or platform in conflict with the Calgary Stampede brand and core values.

If your entry application is not accepted by the CS Parade Committee, and upon your receipt of the “Letter of Rejection”, any appeals shall be directed to the CS Parade Chair and received no later than April 1. The decision of the Chair of the CS Parade Committee is final and non-appealable.

### ALL ENTRIES

1. By completing and electronically submitting an Application Form, you acknowledge and agree that your entry, and all of the participants in your entry, will at all times adhere to and comply with all Calgary Stampede policies and procedures, including but not limited to these Rules. Each entry is responsible for ensuring that each of its participants have read, understood, and agree to these Rules. In addition, each entry is responsible for ensuring the compliance of its own participants with all Calgary Stampede policies and procedures, including but not limited to these Rules. **The CS Parade Committee expressly reserves the right to withdraw its acceptance of any entry, including on Parade Day, if any entry or any of an entry’s participants fail or refuse to comply with the Calgary Stampede policies and procedures and Rules.** The decision of the CS Parade Committee to withdraw its acceptance of any entry is final and non-appealable.
2. The Calgary Stampede assumes no responsibility and makes no representations about the safety of participating in the CS Parade. Each entry acknowledges that participation in the CS Parade involves risks, known and unknown, including but not limited to the presence of animals, running vehicles, and pyrotechnics. Participation in the CS Parade by an entry and its participants shall constitute an express, voluntary acceptance of these and other risks. By participating in the CS Parade, each entry and each of its participants agrees to release and hold harmless the Calgary Stampede, the CS Parade Committee, and each of its officers, directors, employees, consultants, and volunteers from any and all liability.
3. **The ultimate responsibility for safety and the conduct of participants lies with each individual entry.** Entries must comply with Calgary Stampede policies and procedures, including but not limited to these Rules, as well as with all government regulations, safety codes, manufacturer’s recommendations, and similar standards.
4. On Parade Day, all entries must be in possession of their “Letter of Acceptance” issued by the CS Parade Committee.
5. The CS Parade Committee determines the placement of all entries in the CS Parade and the entry must maintain that position throughout the CS Parade unless otherwise directed by the CS Parade Committee.

6. The CS Parade Committee will reject any entry on Parade Day that does not comply with these Rules or conform to the description on their entry application.
7. CS Parade Pace: All entries, including marching bands, must be willing and sufficiently physically fit to maintain both the CS Parade pace (3.8kph=210ft/min) and spacing (2 on-road white “skip-lines” between entries). Entries that fail or refusing to maintain the CS Parade pace and/or spacing (as the CS Parade Committee directs) may be removed from the CS Parade route.
8. All instructions provided by the CS Parade Committee to an entry or its participants must be obeyed. Failure to do so will result in removal from the CS Parade and may jeopardize participation in future CS Parades. **SAFETY is our first priority** - entrants, participants, animals, and spectators.
9. The CS Parade Committee reserves the right to withdraw the acceptance of or remove any entry, at any time, from the CS Parade because of safety concerns, interference with the pace or progress of the CS Parade, or any other reason that the CS Parade Committee deems appropriate, including but not limited to the failure or refusal of an entry, or of any of its participants, to comply with all Calgary Stampede policies and procedures and these Rules.
10. The Calgary Stampede and the CS Parade Committee has a **ZERO TOLERANCE** policy for those who abuse CS Parade Committee volunteers or CS Parade participants. Please promptly report violators to the CS Parade Committee on route (or afterwards to the Chair of the CS Parade Committee).
11. All sound systems must have the prior approval of the CS Parade Committee. Inappropriate music (profanity/swearing/degrading, etc.) or attire unsuitable for viewing by our family audience is not acceptable.
12. For safety reasons, all entries are prohibited from throwing or otherwise distributing materials along the CS Parade route, before, during or at the conclusion of the CS Parade.
13. The use of noisemakers or band practice is forbidden near animals. The discharge of firearms (live or blank), confetti cannons, or use of other items that create loud noises are not permitted.
14. Alcoholic beverages and recreational drugs are not permitted. Participants suspected of having consumed alcohol or recreational drugs prior to or during the CS Parade will be removed from the CS Parade.
15. For safety reasons, participants shall not mount/dismount from entries unless the entry has come to a complete stop.

16. Performing for Media: Entries must not slow the pace of the CS Parade to perform for the media and must not stop for media interviews. Entries attempting to “extend” their time on camera, at the expense of those entries behind them on the CS Parade route will be removed from the CS Parade and prohibited from future CS Parade participation.
17. The use of hand-held communication devices is not acceptable while on route or during the CS Parade. The safety of our entries is important. The CS Parade is held for the spectators along the CS Parade route and for our television and online audiences. Those spectators are looking forward to your attention and enthusiasm.
18. Only media pre-approved by the Subchair of the CS Parade Committee – Media and Communications Subcommittee (**Authorized Media**) will be permitted on the CS Parade route once the CS Parade begins. This includes all traditional and social media. All Authorized Media are required to follow the guidelines and regulations provided to them by the Subchair of the CS Parade Committee – Media and Communications Subcommittee. The failure or refusal to follow these guidelines and regulations may result in the violating individual or outlet losing their Authorized Media privileges. For more information or requests for media approval, please contact [csparademediacoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:csparademediacoordinator@gmail.com).
19. Each entry in the main CS Parade should include a float or equine component. Other than marching bands, the CS Parade Committee does not typically accept entries that are primarily made up of walking/dancing individuals.
20. In addition to the maximum size requirements for float entries outlined later in these Rules, the overall length, size and street level footprint of any entry (including equestrian) will be considered for entertainment value and consistency with other entries. The number of walking participants in a particular entry will be limited to fifty (50) unless a written exemption to this limitation is provided by the CS Parade Committee as part of the final acceptance.
21. At least one week prior to Parade Day, each entry **must** provide a list of all participants, including full legal name, contact information, name of emergency contact, and emergency contact information. If the participant is under 18 years of age, a guardian’s name and number should also be included. Each entry also needs to provide a contact name and phone number of an individual who will not be at the CS Parade in case of an emergency.
22. The Calgary Stampede and the CS Parade Committee may photograph, film, videotape, record or otherwise reproduce the image and/or voice of any person who enters the CS Parade and/or attends any Calgary Stampede produced events and use the same for any purpose without payment to any person. By participating in the CS Parade or any Calgary Stampede produced events you:

- a) consent to be photographed, filmed and/or otherwise recorded in connection with, or as part of, our journalistic, advertising, marketing, promotional, archival and/or security activities;
- b) consent to such photography, filming and/or recording and to any use, in any and all media, throughout the world in perpetuity, without compensation to you, of your appearance, voice and/or name for the above-noted purposes;
- c) understand that all photography, filming and/or recording will be done in reliance on these consents given by you by entering the CS Parade.

### **FLOAT ENTRIES**

The following applies in addition to the general Rules for all entries:

#### **GENERAL**

1. Floats must be 100% decorated. No part of the vehicle on which the float is built, or in the case of a two-unit entry, no part of the towing unit or the float chassis will be visible.
2. Pick-up trucks or automobiles may **only** be used as a means of propulsion under a float or as a towing unit **if not recognizable** in their basic form. Tarps/blankets/wraps etc. are not acceptable.
3. No flat deck trucks or lowboy units are allowed.
4. Sound systems on floats must be positioned such that the speakers point out from the sides of the float.

#### **MECHANICAL SYSTEM/SAFETY**

1. Towing vehicles and self-propelled units must be in good mechanical condition and properly serviced prior to the CS Parade with special attention to cooling systems, brakes, steering and tires.
2. All self-propelled and towing units must be equipped with an operational braking system capable of stopping the unit in an emergency. Towing units must have sufficient power to pull the unit around the CS Parade route. **Note:** while the CS Parade route is basically level, there are two grades associated with overpasses.
3. Drivers require a clear 180-degree field of vision to the front and sides, otherwise the entry will require a walker or spotter just off of each corner. In special cases, the CS Parade Committee may authorize use of ground guides (walkers) in radio contact with the driver.

4. Exhaust pipes must extend well beyond the decorations and must be vented to the side of the unit to ensure proper ventilation for the driver and following entries.
5. Fuel systems must have suitable clearance from exhaust and electrical components. An appropriate gas cap is required to prevent spillage due to fuel expansion. Fuel tanks must be topped up prior to the float entering the CS Parade route.
6. Auxiliary generators, if not exhausted to the side, should be mounted in a ventilated container at the rear of the float. Exhaust pipes must extend past any skirting and not pose a hazard for person(s) riding on the float.
7. In addition to the standard provision for emergency towing (e.g. tow hook, tow chain or other such device) all floats must be equipped with a suitable and quickly accessible connect point for tow strap hook up (both motorized and horse drawn units). The key contact of each entry must be able to immediately point out the towing point on your entry. A centrally located hard point at the front of each float is recommended. Entries without such provisions for tow straps will not be permitted entry into the CS Parade under any circumstances.
8. Towed floats must also incorporate safety chains into the hitch mechanism
9. Fire extinguishers are required on all motorized floats. Fire extinguishers must have a valid inspection tag indicating inspection in the previous 12 months. The requirements for fire extinguishers are as follows:
  - a. Motorized Vehicle – 2.5lbs ABC
  - b. Float – 10lbs ABC
  - c. Additional – 10lb ABC required if there is an auxiliary control position
  - d. Operators of floats must have demonstrated knowledge of how to use a fire extinguisher using the principle of PASS (Pull, Aim, Squeeze, Sweep).

### **CONSTRUCTION**

1. Floats must be constructed of durable materials, suitable of withstanding behind pulled or driven over a variety of surfaces including gravel and pavement.
2. All components of a float must be securely fastened to the float, no materials may be just “placed” or “put” on display. Fasteners may consist of straps, bolts, screws, etc.
3. Decorative materials on a float must have fire retardant properties.

4. Any float that has a driver or operator must provide a means of emergency access and egress
5. Each participant on a float MUST have an appropriate body support or seat belt securely fastened to the float. In the case of seat belts, the belts must be worn on the outside of the costume (A piece of knotted rope is not sufficient). In special cases, the Operations and Safety Subcommittee of the CS Parade Committee may authorize the use of railings around the perimeter of the float deck. Such railings must be of solid construction with top and intermediate rails. The top rail shall be a minimum of 36 inches above the float deck.
6. Maximum Entry Dimensions:
  - a. Height: 12 feet maximum height above the ground. In the case of inflatable entries, all must be able to maintain the CS Parade pace while rapidly lowering over-height entries to safely avoid overhead obstacles. (There are 35+ traffic lights, LRT (Transit) Power-lines & pedestrian overpasses along the CS Parade route).
  - b. Length: 40 feet maximum single piece length, inclusive of an articulated towing unit.
  - c. Ground Clearance: the frame must be high enough off the ground to clear surfaces and obstacles (e.g. not less than 6 inches off the ground when fully decorated and loaded).
  - d. Width: for movement to the CS Parade area, entries must comply with Provincial Regulations (e.g. 8 feet 6 inches) unless the entrant arranges special permits/permission and any required police escorts well in advance. The suggested maximum width on the CS Parade route is 14 feet. Entries exceeding this suggested maximum require the prior approval of the CS Parade Committee. Maximum width on the CS Parade route includes foldout decks and/or outriggers. In all cases, the limiting factor is the ability of an entry to negotiate the corners along the CS Parade route.
7. Prior to final acceptance and entry into the CS Parade, a safety inspection of all float entries will be performed by the CS Parade Committee either the evening before or the morning of the CS Parade. Please see the Appendix for the CS Parade Safety Checklist.

### **EQUESTRIAN/ LIVESTOCK ENTRIES**

The following applies in addition to the general Rules for all entries:



Prior to entering in the CS Parade all riders required to first determine if their horse is safe and suitable to ride in the CS Parade. For example, has your horse been exposed to loud noises and unexpected actions of others around them? Is your horse accustomed to traffic, clapping noises, changes in footing, balloon, flags, horns honking, loud music and people coming up to them quickly? If you have answered no to any of the above questions, then your horse may not be suitable for the CS Parade. If, in the sole and unfettered discretion of the CS Parade Committee, it is determined, either prior to or during the CS Parade, that your horse is not safe or suitable to ride in the CS Parade, the CS Parade Committee may not permit your horse to ride in the CS Parade.

### GENERAL

1. The Calgary Stampede Parade has a **ZERO TOLERANCE** policy with respect to animal abuse. Persons abusing animals shall immediately be removed from the CS Parade and reported to appropriate authorities.
2. The Calgary Stampede Animal Care Code of Practice applies to any animal being used in the CS Parade (re: <https://corporate.calgarystampede.com/about-us/animal-care>). The Animal Care Code of Practice and all other guidelines and best practices that apply on Calgary Stampede property also apply at any staging site, The Confluence, and on the CS Parade route.
3. All entries involved with and participating in the CS Parade must review and be familiar with the Calgary Stampede Animal Care Code of Practice, where applicable and will comply with the same.
4. Children riding on horseback in the CS Parade must be twelve (12) years old as of Parade Day and must demonstrate proficiency in handling the horse at the Horse Safety Check point. **Note:** the leader of any horse entry must be able to provide proof of a rider's age on request of the CS Parade Committee. Failure to comply will result in the rider not being allowed to participate in the CS Parade.
5. Riders on horseback who are under the age of 16 on Parade Day, must wear an appropriate ASTM/SEI certified helmet.
6. Only one rider is allowed per horse.
7. Any rider on a horse may not be secured to that horse by any means, unless required due to a medical condition and approved by the Horse Safety Team.
8. Riding groups must provide side walkers who are capable of assisting with unruly horses in that entry. The minimum required is one walker (1) per every fifteen (15) mounted riders.

9. The CS Parade Committee has the discretion to remove any horse entry from the CS Parade for safety or non-compliance with these Rules.

### **HORSES ON ROADWAYS**

1. The Calgary Traffic Bylaw (26M96), under sections 42(1) and 46(1) governs horses on a sidewalk or roadway. Except for certain areas of the City and when there is a parade, there is a prohibition on horses being ridden or led on a street. An escort by a Peace Officer must occur when a horse is on any roadway other than the CS Parade route. An excerpt from the Bylaw is included below:

#### USE OF SIDEWALKS

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, a person shall not:
  - a. drive, lead or allow a hoofed animal to walk;
  - b. drive, draw or push any motor vehicle;
  - c. ride a bicycle;
  - d. ride a horse; or
  - e. draw, push, propel or ride a wheeled vehicle of any description other than a bicycle on or along a sidewalk, or boulevard.

#### HORSES AND ANIMALS

- (1) No person shall ride a horse or other animal on any portion of a street except:
  - a. in a parade permitted pursuant to Section 40;
  - b. where permitted on park roadways, by the Director, Calgary Parks; or
  - c. where being used by the Calgary Police Service.
- (2) No person shall drive or lead animals or a herd on any portion of a street.
- (3) A person owning or in charge of a horse or a team of horses shall not;
  - a. stand, permit to stand or tether a horse or a horse and horse drawn vehicle on a street in such a way that it will impede traffic on the street;
  - b. drive or operate a horse and horse drawn vehicle or farm machinery drawn by a horse in the area defined as the Central Traffic Zone;

- c. drive or operate an animal drawn vehicle, whether empty or loaded on, along or over the bridges leading to and from St. George's Island, St. Patrick's Island or St. Andrews Island, or along or over the streets in the parks located on such islands.
- (4) Notwithstanding Subsections (1) and (2) a person may ride or lead a horse on or along streets in the areas described in Schedule "N" of this Bylaw.

### **ANIMAL CARE**

1. Each CS Parade participant or contractor is responsible for the animal(s) he or she uses or provides during any Calgary Stampede event and must comply with all applicable sections of the Calgary Stampede Animal Care Code of Practice.
2. CS Parade participant(s) or contractor(s) must not intentionally treat animals in a way that compromises their well-being. Violation of the Calgary Stampede's Animal Care Code of Practice could result in disqualification, fines, or suspension.
3. All livestock shall be in good health and sound condition. All CS Parade entries shall exhibit proper disposition and control of all animals in a parade environment, without assistance.
4. All animals in the CS Parade must be healthy and sound. They must be free of lesions, abrasions and open wounds. They must have no signs of lameness or pre-existing conditions such as arthritis that can become inflamed while in the CS Parade. Their overall body condition should be a 3 or above per their species guideline.
5. Only quiet animals with good temperaments can be exhibited or placed in agriculture programming and competition. The use of sedative or behavior modifying medication in the 24h prior to the CS Parade, on any animal participating in the CS Parade is prohibited.
6. If an animal becomes sick or injured while at The Confluence, other staging areas, or during the CS Parade, that animal will not participate in the Parade and a request will be made to seek Veterinarian assessment. Accredited Stampede Veterinarians are available for participants to access.
7. Fresh water will be provided and delivered to entries at The Confluence. It is the responsibility of CS Parade participant(s) or contractor(s) to ensure that they have a bucket at the location where horses are kept.
8. CS Parade participant(s) or contractor(s) are responsible for ensuring that they have enough feed for their animals.

### THE CONFLUENCE OR ALTERNATE HORSE STAGING SITES ETIQUETTE

1. Please follow instructions provided by volunteers identified as Security, Parking or Horse Safety. If concerns arise while on The Confluence or other staging area, please raise them with your entry coordinator. Abuse of Stampede volunteers will not be tolerated. The CS Parade Committee reserves the right to remove individuals and or entries from The Confluence and or the CS Parade at the sole and unfettered discretion of the CS Parade Committee.
2. Once an entry is approved, horse entries requesting to use The Confluence are required to submit a vehicle description, license plate, owner's name and telephone number. Livestock trailers, campers and their respective tow vehicles will be the only vehicles allowed on site. All vehicles must be preapproved by the CS Parade Committee prior to being granted access to the site. Passenger vehicles (cars, SUV's, trucks not required to pull a trailer) may be required to park in an adjacent lot.
3. Horses are not allowed to leave The Confluence other than for the CS Parade except under exceptional circumstances. Any horse entry that leaves The Confluence will be removed from the CS Parade unless permission has been given by the Chair of the CS Parade Committee.
4. Participant(s) and contractor(s) riding or using horses on The Confluence must do so safely. Any unsafe behavior or activities will not be tolerated.
5. Fresh water will be available via hoses and hydrants. For your convenience a mobile water cart will be driving through The Confluence. Horses should not drink from water tanks. When filling water buckets, DO NOT dip the end of the hose in each bucket. Hold the hose above the water when filling. Please do not use the river as a water source.
6. All manure must be cleaned up and placed in one of the large disposal bins provided throughout The Confluence.
7. The most up-to-date guidelines and best practices for The Confluence will be printed on the back of the parking pass issued by the CS Parade Committee.

### TACK AND ACCESSORIES

1. All tack, wagons, carriages, etc. shall be clean and tidy as well as complete and in good repair. **(Horse Drawn Floats - also see Float Regulations)**
2. All accessories must be secured and are not to interfere with the animal.
3. When requested by Horse Safety Team members, split reins must be tied.

4. Suitable Western or English saddle with standard rigging is recommended. Keepers (stirrup hobble) are to be used on all saddles.
5. Breast collar and back cinch are optional. If using a back cinch, a cinch hobble between front and the back cinch is mandatory.
6. All headstalls must have a throatlatch.
7. A leverage bit is defined as a bit with a broken or solid mouthpiece, has shanks and acts with leverage. A leverage bit requires the use of a curb strap.
8. A curb strap or chain strap cannot be narrower than 1.25 cm or ½” and must lie flat against the jaw. It must be loose enough to insert two fingers between the strap and the jaw.
9. Gag bits (any leverage bit with a sliding mouthpiece, regardless of the length of the slide) are prohibited.
10. A Snaffle bit is defined as a non-leverage bit. The three acceptable types are O-ring, Egg Butt, and D-ring, and the ring must not be larger than 3 ½”. Half cheek snaffles are acceptable. A leather or nylon curb strap must be used with a snaffle bit. Reins are to be attached above the curb strap.
11. Mechanical hackamores (must contain non-rigid material under the jaw); running martingales and tie downs may be used.
12. Leg wraps are permissible but must be secured properly to prevent risk of coming undone on the CS Parade route.
13. Spurs are optional but if worn must be humane.
14. Serapes must be secured with heavy duty pins or attached in a fashion to prevent them becoming loose while on the CS Parade route.

### **HITCHES OR WAGONS**

1. To maintain Calgary Stampede animal treatment protocols and to not put undue stress on horses, wagons or hitches have a limit to the number of participants riding on the wagon. These numbers are intended to reflect the pulling capability of a heavy horse team and are calculated based upon Horse Safety guiding principles. Horse Safety Team members can request the number of participants be reduced if the horses are showing stress when pulling the wagon.
  - a. 2 Horse – 18 participants

- b. 3 Horse – 22 participants
2. All connections from the harness to the wagon must be taped in place unless there is a secondary safety connection.
3. All light and heavy horse hitches shall have an assistant for “footman” in the front seat of the wagon.
4. Any hitches in excess of two horses shall have at least one (1) footman on the ground - unless preauthorized by the CS Parade Committee.
5. Wagon masters or teamsters are encouraged to also use the mechanical brakes on each wagon, if so equipped, to provide extra assistance to the horse team when stopping.
6. When proceeding through an underpass, the teamster will ensure that participants will dismount the wagon to make it easier for the horses to pull through the underpass.

#### **SAFETY CHECK POINT**

1. A safety check of all horse entries entering the CS Parade route will be done by the Horse Safety Team at a checkpoint location that will be communicated in advance. All horse entries will proceed through this checkpoint. All riders must be on their horses prior to this location to be checked.
2. The decision of the Horse Safety Team at the checkpoint, or any point along the route is final and must be followed. Failure to do so may result in removal from the CS Parade.

#### **CORRECTIVE ACTION**

1. Any equestrian/livestock entry who do not adhere to these Rules may, **if practicable**, be given the opportunity to correct the practice. If it cannot be corrected, they will not be permitted to participate in the CS Parade.
2. Failure to follow the instructions of the CS Parade Committee will result in the removal of the entry from the CS Parade and may result in disqualification from future CS Parades.

#### **PRELUDE & MASCOT ENTRIES**

The following applies in addition to the general Rules for all entries:

Prelude is on-the-street entertainment for our CS Parade audience as they wait for the main CS Parade to begin. Performances occur in designated locations and entries are provided an opportunity to perform at 4 to 7 locations along the CS Parade route. During this time Mascots will also be walking along the CS Parade route.

1. Entries must be able to physically perform a minimum of five performances, 7 minutes per performance.
2. Entries must be able to move to next location, anywhere from one to three blocks, within a 3-minute timeframe
3. Prelude entries must adhere to the performance schedule as provided by the prelude team of the CS Parade Committee and take direction from their on site marshall who also serves as a timekeeper.
4. All entries must exit the CS Parade route at their designated exit as provided on their schedule
5. All mascots are required to walk and must have a handler with them.

APPENDIX



CALGARY STAMPEDE PARADE COMMITTEE ENTRY  
SAFETY CHECK SHEET / INSPECTION

<b>OWNER/OPERATOR NAME:</b>		<b>Inspector:</b>			
<b>Parade Section:</b>		<b>Inspection Date:</b>	<b>Time:</b>		
<b>General</b>			<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>1. Dimensions</b>	Height: 12 ft max				
	Length: 40 ft max				
	Ground Clearance: 6 inches min				
	Width: 8 feet 6 inches for movement to parade				
	Width 14 feet max on parade route				
	Size variance required?				
Size variance approved?					
<b>2. Knowledge of Parade Regulations</b>	Are entry personnel knowledgeable about Parade Regulations?				
	Emergency Procedures				
	Absolutely no throwing/distribution of items				
	Alcohol consumption				
<b>3. Sound System</b>	General Parade Regulations				
	Is sound system approved for use?				
	If yes, do speakers point to the side?				
<b>4. Driver</b>	Is the driver trained and licensed?				
<b>Mechanical System/Safety</b>			<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>5. Engine</b>	Is the engine in good mechanical condition?				
	Is the generator/alternator serviceable?				
	<i>Cooling System</i>	Is the airflow <i>not</i> obstructed?			
		Is the coolant topped up?			
	Is the radiator cap installed and accessible?				
	Have all fluid levels been checked prior to parade?				
<b>6. Power Train</b>	Are the transmission, clutch and other components serviceable?				
	Are the tires in good condition and properly inflated?				
<b>7. Braking System(s)</b>	Are there Front and Rear mounted tow hooks properly install and meet safety requirements?				
	Is the braking system serviceable and able to stop unit in emergency?				
<b>8. Steering</b>	Are trailer brakes available?				
	Is the steering system serviceable and operational?				
<b>9. Exhaust System</b>	Is the trailer capable of being steered?				
	Is the exhaust system in serviceable condition?				
	Extended to the side of the float, beyond decorations and wrapped in fireproof materials where it extends beyond decorations?				
	Not touching combustible material?				
<b>10. Fuel System</b>	Securely mounted and without leaks?				
	Sufficient clearance from exhaust/electrical components?				
	Approved type of gas cap?				
	Topped up prior to parade?				
<b>11. Auxiliary Generators</b>	Secured/anchored with provision to cool and vent?				
	Is exhaust clear of the driver?				
	Exhaust pipe extended beyond decorations and wrapped with fireproof material where it extends through decorations?				
<b>12. Safety Chains</b>	Exhaust clear of flammable material, fuel tank and electrical components?				
	Are there suitable safety chains on all hitches?				
<b>Construction</b>			<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>13. Materials</b>	Are sturdy materials used?				
<b>14. Security</b>	Are all components fastened to frame or deck?				
<b>15. Driver's Vision</b>	Driver has clear 180 degree view of road to front?				
	If not, has use of walkers been approved?				
<b>16. Emergency Exit</b>	Does the driver have means of emergency exit?				
<b>17. Supports / Seatbelts</b>	Are automotive or aircraft seatbelts available for each person sitting on entry?				
	Are body supports available for each person standing on entry? (see Section 2)				
	Seatbelts and body supports are properly secured and mechanically reliable?				
<b>18. Railings</b>	Use of railings instead of seatbelts/supports has been approved?				
	Railings are a minimum of 36 inches high with top and intermediate railings?				
	Railings are mechanically reliable?				
<b>Fire Safety</b>			<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>19. Retardant Materials</b>	Decorative materials are fire retardant?				
<b>20. Fire Extinguishers</b>	Motorized vehicles – 2.5lb type ABC				
	Float – 10 lb type ABC required				
	Additional 10 lb type ABC required at auxiliary control position				
	Located in close proximity to driver?				
	Extinguisher is sealed				
	Extinguisher has been inspected within last 12 months and is properly tagged?				
Driver knows how to operate extinguisher?					
<b>Comments:</b>					

Having read the Safety Check Sheet, our float complies with all safety requirements listed on the check sheet.

Owner/Operator Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Inspector Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_