



Hendersonville Merchants and Business Association

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July 4th, 2026 "AMERICA 250"

Parade entry fee: \$25.00

Applications and fees are due before June 20, 2026 or until 112 spaces are full. Apply early.

Business/club/organization/group name:

Mailing address:

Contact name: phone number: text: yes no

Email circle best way to contact

Entry description - car, truck trailer, golf cart, float, walkers, cyclers length of entry:

Music: Y N Amplified: Y N

Entering judging Y N

Agreement:

I, the undersigned, agree to abide by all parade rules. All members of our group have read and agree to abide by the parade rules. I understand that I will not be allowed to participate in the parade and the entry fee will be forfeited if my group violates any rules. My group is fully responsible for their actions and hold the Hendersonville Merchants and Business Association harmless from any and all claims, injuries or damages arising from our involvement in the parade.

Signed _____ Date _____

Report to lineup area no later than 8 am if you have entered the judging, no later than 9am if you are not in the judging. You will be contacted with your space number and lineup information, remember to circle best way to contact you.

PARADE RULES

- NO box vehicles allowed due to safety (per HPD)
- NO suggestive, offensive or inappropriate entries will be allowed. This is a family friendly event.
- NO alcoholic beverages are allowed on any entry or on the person of any participant at any time during the parade. Smoking is also prohibited.
- All entries are requested to use the theme **"America 250"**
- Each entry must include a sign or banner with your organization's name.
- Entries can be NO wider than 12 feet, NO higher than 13.5 feet and NO longer than 70 feet.
- THROWING ITEMS FROM ANY ENTRY IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. Police will immediately remove your entry from the parade. **Any action that would bring spectators into the street while the parade is in progress is strictly prohibited.** Candy baskets must be filled from the back end of the float.
- NO REVVING OF ENGINES WHILE IN PARADE ROUTE. ALL WHEELS MUST STAY ON THE GROUND AT ALL TIMES. PARADE OFFICIALS OR HPD WILL REMOVE YOUR ENTRY IMMEDIATELY.**
- The parade will not be canceled due to rain, snow flurries, cold or heat. Come prepared for the weather.
- Make sure your entry is checked in and in place on time. Staging area closes 1 hour before parade begins. The road will be closed and no entry will be allowed.
- Refunds will not be given for "no shows" or those who have been pulled for rule breaking.
- Entries must keep up 3 car lengths behind the entry in front of you. NO stopping along the parade route to talk with spectators, entries must keep up (per HPD)
- NO ANIMALS.
- Judging will be done prior to the parade and awards will be given prior to moving down the street.
- _Judges decisions are final.

QUESTIONS? Call 828-692-4179 and leave a message or send a text - we will get back with you. or contact Sandra Walker, President 828-702-6903 Bessie Bright, VP 828-388-1642

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Judging

1- There are three categories: Originality, Attractiveness and Best use of theme. 3 places in each category.

2- You must be checked in and in place ready to be judged by 8 AM. If you are not ready on time you will not be judged.

3- You must abide by all rules.

4- If you do not indicate you want to be judged on your application, you will not be judged.

5- Judges decisions are final.