

**2009**  
**Ayden Christmas Parade**  
Parade Rules & Regulations

**\*\* Entries must observe all rules and regulations. The Ayden Christmas Parade Committee reserves the right to remove any entrant not conforming to rules and regulations or any entrant refusing to follow instructions of police or parade officials. \*\***

1. Entry in the Parade is open to any individual, group, or organization.
2. The deadline for Parade entries is (Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>). Participation is limited to the first 100 applications received.
3. The parade will begin at the Ayden Elementary and Middle Schools, located at 192 Third Street. All entries must be in place by 10:00 am or face elimination.
4. All entries must be decorated to reflect a holiday theme. The committee will require inspection of floats prior to the parade. Float inspections will be done in the staging area.
5. The Parade will move at a walking pace at all times. All entries must stay at least 20 feet away from the entry in front of them.
6. No entries will be allowed to stop and perform during the Parade.
7. There must be adults on floats where there are children. There should be one adult per five children.
8. Children riding in the back of a pickup truck or on a trailer must be seated at all times behind the guardrails or sides of the structure. Trucks must have closed tailgates or enclosed backs.
9. No Santa Clause suits allowed. Santa will be the last entry in the parade to greet children.
10. Throwing of candy or objects from parade entrants will not be allowed. Handing out candy or objects to the crowd is permitted by walkers only. This is for safety and insurance purposes.
11. Parade Participants must have their own liability insurance. You must have proof of liability vehicle insurance and a valid driver's license for float inspectors to see.
12. Maximum allowable height is 14 feet.
13. No one will be allowed to get on or off a float or entry once it has started down the parade route.
14. No loaded firearms at any time.
15. NO SMOKING OR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON ANY PARADE ENTRY AT ANY TIME BEFORE OR DURING THE PARADE!!! SAFETY COMES FIRST!!!