



Civic and Business Parade Entry Application

Celebrate Independence Day by participating in the biggest 4th of July Parade in Greater Boston!

This Year's Parade Theme is Building Brighter Futures

Return your Application by June 20, 2025

There is no fee for a Community or Civic Organization

The Business Registration Fee is \$250 Payable to "4th of July Parade Committee" at the time of application.

Mail to: 4th of July Parade Committee, Hingham Town Hall, 210 Central Street, Hingham, MA 02043.

Mandatory Float Safety Meeting

Monday, June 30, 2025 at 7pm

ALL FLOATS must have an adult representative attend the mandatory Float Safety Meeting with the Hingham Police Department.

- Other entry types are welcome to send a representative.
- If your FLOAT representative does not attend, your float will not participate in the Parade.
- The meeting will be held at Hingham High School 6/30/25 at 7pm. Use the Union Street entrance.

Your Parade Entry Information

Read the Parade Rules and Guidelines before you complete your application!

You are expected to know and follow the Rules and Guidelines.

Go to: <https://www.hingham-ma.gov/504/Event-Information>. Questions? Email hingham4th@gmail.com.

Antique and novelty vehicles: Please use the Vehicle Application, not this application.

Axle/Wheel Walkers: Wheel Walkers are required for **ALL** trucks and flatbeds. No exceptions.

Float Height: Entries **must not exceed 13' 6"** in height to avoid utility lines and other hazards.

Float Length: Length is approved by the Parade Committee in consultation with the Hingham Police:

Experience has shown long trailers with extended trucks cannot make Parade route turns.

FOR THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN - DO NOT THROW CANDY!!

The following information is needed to establish the order and spacing for the parade line-up.

1. Entry Type:

- Truck and a Flatbed Float

H = _____ ft _____ in **L =** _____ ft _____ in

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Number of Axle/Wheel Walkers Required: _____ See Rules & Guidelines

- Truck Riding Unit

H = _____ ft _____ in **L =** _____ ft _____ in

Number of Axle/Wheel Walkers Required: _____ See Rules & Guidelines

- Marching Unit only

Participants in your Group: _____

- Marching Unit with Support Vehicle

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Make & Model of car/van/suv: _____

- Other Entry Type or Additional Information (specify) _____

2. **Will your Entry have music?** Yes No If Yes, explain: recorded, live vocal, musicians, other?
This helps us determine where we place you in relation to other groups that have sound such as the marching bands.

3. Entries are expected to demonstrate celebration of the 4th of July and support the theme of the Parade, versus promoting a particular business, social cause, or other topic.

4. *How does your Entry design reflect the 4th of July and/or the Parade Theme?*

5. Please share (2) facts about your group/entry that may be shared with media covering the Parade.

1) _____

2) _____

FOR THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN - DO NOT THROW CANDY!!

Help keep children out of the street and harms' way: Hand out candy while walking with your group.

DO NOT put candy on floats or in vehicles where it may be accessed and thrown as this will entice children to run into the parade path and moving vehicles.

Your Contact Information

We need a contact(s) for planning communications before the Parade and logistics on the day of the Parade.

Are You A Business? Yes No

Organization Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Name(s): _____ Cell Phone(s): _____

Contact Email(s): _____

I have read, understand, and will abide by the [Parade Rules and Guidelines](#).

Acknowledged and Accepted:

X Signature & Date: _____ Printed Name: _____

Liability Release

I, the undersigned, being fully appraised of all potential harms and dangers connected with the congestion and excitement of the Hingham 4th of July Parade, do hereby discharge, release, absolve, and hold harmless the Town of Hingham, its officers, employees, and agents from any claim or liability incurred by any participation in the parade.

Acknowledged and Accepted:

X Signature & Date: _____ Printed Name: _____