Participant Rules and Regulations

1. Ashville Christmas Parade will be held on December 12, 2026, at 6:00pm.
2. Float assembly can take place in the parking lot in front of City Hall at 3:00pm.
3. Horses will be at the end of the parade. Horse trailers can park at the old football field above City Hall.
4. Children under 12 years old must be accompanied by a parent/Chaperone. Parade units must be pre-registered with the parade producers and will formally check in the evening of the parade.
5. Parade units that include animals will be considered for participation only if the animals are trained and can be safely controlled under parade conditions.
6. All individuals participating in the parade must return a signed Waiver and Release form.
7. Liability insurance is required for all vehicles, equestrian entries and any other parade units as determined by City of Ashville. Drivers for any parade unit are required to have a valid driver's license- not a permit.
8. The City of Ashville will make decisions at its sole discretion as to the content, design and participants selected to appear in the parade. The City of Ashville may refuse entry and participation to any parade unit and/or individual in City of Ashville's or their representatives' sole and absolute discretion.
9. Participants are responsible for carrying their own banners, providing their own transportation in the parade, music, etc.
10. No open flames, smoking, or alcohol is allowed in the parade or on any parade unit.
11. There is no fee to enter- anyone is welcome to participate. However, each participant must sign a waiver & release.

****Note: There is only ONE Santa allowed in the Parade and the City of Ashville has already made arrangements****

Waiver and Release

I have read and agree to comply with the Participant Rules and Regulations. I fully understand that participation in the parade involves risks of bodily injury and property damage, which may be caused by my own actions, or inactions, those of others, the conditions in which the activity takes place, and/or the negligence of others. I hereby assume and fully accept all risks and responsibility of losses, cost, and damage I may incur as a result of my participation in the parade regardless of cause.

I and my successors, heirs and representatives hereby waive, release, and discharge the City of Ashville and its officers, directors, agents, volunteers, managers, members, and employees from and against any and all claims of liability that may result from my participation in the parade regardless of cause and I hereby agree not to sue and to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Ashville and its officers, directors, agents, volunteers, managers, members, and employees from and against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, demands, and costs (including reasonable attorney fees) including any property damage, personal injury, or death that I may suffer or that may result from my participation in the parade.

I further consent to being photographed and/or videoed during my participation in the parade and authorize the City of Ashville to cause such photographs and/or video to be exhibited with, or without advertising and I hereby release City of Ashville and its officers, directors, agents, volunteers, managers, members, and employees from any and all claims for damages based upon the usage or publication of such images, photographs and/or video.

I have read and fully understand the statements made herein and I voluntarily sign this Waiver and Release intending to be bound by its terms. I understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it and have signed it freely and without an inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability and agree that if any portion of this waiver and release is held to be invalid the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect. I intend that this Waiver and Release be interpreted and construed as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the State of Alabama.

If I am executing this Wavier and Release as a parent/guardian, I understand and agree to the above for my minor.

Print Name:_____ Date:_____

Signature:_____ Address:_____

Print Parent/Guardian Name (if under 18 years of age):_____

Phone number: _____

Type of Parade Entry (Float, Vehicle, Walker, Horse, etc) _____