49th Annual
Cincinnati Pride Parade
Saturday, June 25, 2022

Begins at 7th St. & Plum Ave.
11:00 am

READ ALL ATTACHED INFORMATION

Parade marshals have the authority to remove any parade entry that does not comply with instructions.
Reference Times

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VEHICLE PRE-STAGING
Near Gest & 6th Street

Units 1 - 50 may arrive beginning at 8:00 am and prepared by 8:45 am.

Units 51 - 106 must be in place and prepared by 8:30 am.

Once in the Vehicle Pre-Staging, drivers may not leave the area.
Bring what you need with you.

Vehicles arriving late may be placed in the line up or denied entry into the parade at the discretion of the Parade Chair.

PARADE PARTICIPANTS
7th and Plum

We encourage participants who are walking with a parade entry to arrive between 10:00am and 10:45am.

If you arrive early, stay in the Early Staging areas indicated on the map. Do NOT enter 7th Street until all vehicles have been placed and the parade marshals have given the all clear. Parade marshals will direct groups to enter the final 7th Street staging. Please wait your turn.
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- Stay Out of the Emergency Lane
- No Alcohol
- Keep Keep Sound Systems Turned Down
- Hand-outs During the Parade
- No Stopping to Perform During the Parade
- Dispose of Trash Properly
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Thank You 22
Thank you for being a part of the Cincinnati Pride Parade & Festival! As one of the largest parades and the #1 Festival in Cincinnati, we are excited for this year’s parade and festival!

Please read this document in its entirety and share with your vehicle drivers and all parade participants.

Rules for ALL Parade Entries

Arrive on Time
Please arrive on time according to the schedule for vehicles and for parade participants. Parade entries that include a vehicle will have separate arrival times for the vehicle and a separate time for the parade participants for the same entry. Please make it clear to participants when to arrive, your entry number, your row assignment, and information about the Emergency Lane.

Stay Out of the Emergency Lane
The south lane along 7th Street will be marked off as an emergency lane for emergency personnel. This lane is there for your safety and everyone else at the event. Do not walk or stand in this lane. If you are observed violating this rule, YOU MAY BE REMOVED FROM THE PARADE and not invited back.

No Alcohol
There is to be NO consumption of alcoholic beverages during the parade or in the parade staging area. There are laws prohibiting the consumption of alcoholic beverages in vehicles as well as public areas. The police will be enforcing these laws and have the ability to arrest persons who are in violation of these laws. Parade Marshals have the
authority to remove units from the parade that violate these policies.

Keep Keep Sound Systems Turned Down
Please keep the volume on your sound systems turned down prior to the start of the parade while in the staging area. Too much noise in the staging area causes confusion and makes it difficult for parade marshals to communicate with other entries. Your cooperation is appreciated. Follow instructions from Parade Marshals if asked to turn down the volume.

Hand-outs During the Parade
Parade entries may directly hand items to people not in the parade. Nothing can be thrown or tossed into the crowd, this includes candy, giveaway items, glitter, confetti, etc. In addition, a distribution during the parade slows down the pace of the parade. Persons or entries that are observed violating this rule are subject to removal from the parade by any Parade Marshal or police officer. (Police officers may also cite a violator to court.) Handing out items should not delay or slow down the pace of the parade.

Please feel free to pass out materials around the Staging area prior to the start of the parade, as long as you are not impeding foot traffic. But if you are observed violating this rule after your unit has begun to move along the parade route, YOU MAY BE REMOVED FROM THE PARADE and not invited back.

No Stopping to Perform During the Parade
Any performance during the parade must be at parade marching speed. There can be no stopping to perform, or to unload or pick up performers. There should be no stopping unless instructed by a parade marshal or emergency personnel.

Please keep moving. We must stage the parade in a time frame that allows spectators to get to the Cincinnati Pride Festival. In addition, the city requires streets to be opened to allow citizens to utilize public roads.
Parade marshals have the authority to remove any entry from the parade that is unwilling or unable to maintain a good marching pace. It is extremely important to keep gaps from forming in the parade. Keep your group together. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Dispose of Trash Properly
Help us keep Cincinnati beautiful! Dispose of your trash in appropriate cans or take it with you. We encourage each entry to have a trash bag with them. Do not leave trash in the staging area or along the parade route. If you are observed violating this rule, your group may be removed from the parade and not invited back.

Have Proof of Insurance
Any parade entry that includes a motor vehicle, or any entry other than strictly marching people, must have proof of liability insurance. Be prepared to provide proof of insurance to a parade marshal upon request.

No Animals
Animals are not permitted in the parade, with the exception of dogs. Dogs must be in vehicles and have access to fresh water.

Mascots
Every mascot or anyone wearing attire that obstructs their view must have someone else walk near them to be able to guide them around obstacles. If a mascot stops for pictures with the crowd, the rest of your group cannot stop to wait.

Pre-Staging for Vehicles - No Participants
Only drivers and one additional person to help with decorations are permitted in the vehicle pre-staging area. Contact the Parade Chair at parade@cincinnatipride.org with concerns.
Parade Marshals

The Yellow Safety Vests will identify parade marshals. Parade Marshals are there to assist you and assure that the parade is staged and proceeds in a manner as orderly as possible. Please follow their instructions and if you need assistance, seek the assistance of a Parade Marshal.

Parade Information

Timeline

Parade entries that include a vehicle will have separate arrival times for the vehicle and a separate time for the walkers. Only the driver and the minimum number of setup people can be in the preliminary staging area for vehicles.

1. **Vehicle Pre-Staging:** Vehicle entries are required to arrive in the Vehicle Pre-Staging area near 6th & Gest between 8:00 am and 8:30 am. See Vehicle section for more information.

2. **Staging:** Vehicle entries will be moved from the Vehicle Pre-Staging area to 7th street starting at 9am.

3. **People:** No one will be permitted in the staging area on 7th street until all the vehicles have been placed. (~10:15am).

4. **Walking Parade Entries:** Walking entries must arrive between 10:15m - 10:45 according to the schedule below.
Parade Route

Once the parade starts, do NOT stop at intersections. All parade entries must keep moving. Only stop at the direction of a parade marshal or emergency personnel.

Parade Participants

We encourage participants who are walking with a parade entry to arrive between 10:00am and 10:45am.

If you arrive early, stay in the Early Staging areas indicated on the map. Do NOT enter 7th Street until all vehicles have been placed and the parade marshals have given the all clear. Parade marshals will direct groups to enter the final 7th Street staging. Please wait your turn.
Do’s and Don’ts for All Parade Participants

Do:
• Listen to the parade marshals.
• Know your parade entry’s name and number before arriving.
• Know your parade entry’s row information and approximate location.
• Bring water.
• Someone in your group should bring a trash bag. Please help us keep Cincinnati beautiful.
• Remember that parade organizers and marshals are all volunteers.
• Have a great pride!

Do NOT:
• DO NOT stand, walk, or enter the Emergency Lane. This lane is kept clear for emergencies, as the name implies. Finding your group last minute is not an emergency. Please arrive on time.
• Do not leave trash in the staging area.
• Do not walk through or stand anywhere that is not a public sidewalk or street that has been closed for the event.

Parade Marshals will be stationed throughout the staging area. Please follow their instructions. The streets in the early staging area will be closed to non-parade traffic at 9:00 a.m.
Staging Map

Early Staging areas are indicated by the green heart and diamond icons.

Refer to Full Staging Map for your Entry’s Location

End of the Parade Route

The parade ends under the Taylor Southgate Bridge at the Festival Area in Yeatman’s Cove/Sawyer Point. This area must remain open in order to allow the rest of the parade to keep moving.
Participants
Everyone will enter the park and proceed along the Serpentine Wall. People should not stop at the entrance of the park. Parade marshals will help to move the crowd along the walkway area.

People on Vehicles
Remain on the vehicles until the vehicle stops at the designated disembarkment point. You should not get out of your vehicle or off of your float, even if you are stopped on the access road.

Vehicles
Vehicles/Floats will empty onto the Access road of Yeatman's Cove, drive down the Access road turn left onto Butler Street. Volunteers will direct your vehicle where to stop to let people get out of your vehicle or off of your float.
Weather
The parade goes on, rain or shine. Plan accordingly.

Parking
Please note that the 2022 Cincinnati Pride Festival is on the same weekend as some major events. Please allow extra travel time to the park, as Downtown Cincinnati may be busier than a standard Saturday morning.

Restrooms
There will be portable restrooms at the staging area, located near the intersection of 7th and Central. There will be additional portable restrooms in the Vehicle Pre-Staging area.

Survey
Help Cincinnati Pride while you wait! Complete our Pride survey at https://www.cincinnatipride.org/survey.html.

Social Media
We want to see your pictures from the parade and festival! Share in the Facebook event or other social media. #cincypride2022

Floats & Large Vehicles

Movement Through the Banks
The parade route takes vehicles through the DORA region at the Banks on Freedom Way. There is a maximum width clearance of 20ft. Please be aware of this when planning decorations and when driving through that section of the parade route. See section on
Vehicles for more information. Please contact the Parade Chair at parade@cincinnatipride.org with any concerns.

**Fire Extinguishers for Floats**

- “A parade float shall be equipped with not less than one Type 2A portable fire extinguisher, which shall be readily accessible in case of fire.
- Smoking and the use of open flame shall not be permitted on any parade float.
- A parade float shall be properly serviced for gasoline, oil, water, battery and tire pressure before entering any parade. Auxiliary supplies of gasoline, oil or other fuel shall not be carried on the parade float.”

*Ref. Cincinnati Fire Prevention Code 1217 Parade Floats*

**Float Construction and Decorations for all Vehicles**

- “The decorative skirt shall be kept not less than two inches above the surface of the street. All material used in the construction of a parade float shall meet the "Field Test: Match Flame Test" as described in NFPA Standard No. 701, title "Fire Tests for Flame-Resistant Textiles and Films," of date designated in Appendix A.
- A parade float shall be so constructed that no part of the decorations can come in contact with or is directly exposed to any part of the vehicle's exhaust system.
- Any exhaust systems that extend beyond the decoration shall be covered with noncombustible material.
- A parade float shall be so constructed that the driver of the vehicle can easily escape from the driver's position in case of fire.
- The driver cubicle shall be properly ventilated.”

*Ref. Cincinnati Fire Prevention Code 1217 Parade Floats*
Vehicle Pre-Staging

All vehicles for the parade must first arrive at the Vehicle Pre-Staging area according to the following schedule:

**Vehicle Arrival Times**

- Units 1 thru 50 may arrive beginning at 8:00 must be in place and prepared by 8:45 am.
- Units 51 thru 106 must be in place and prepared by 8:30 am.
  Note: If your vehicle is not ready to move when we are ready to direct your vehicle to the main staging on 7th street, your entry will go to the back of the line.

**Position Cards - Required**

For all vehicle entries, use an 8 x 10 piece of paper or cardboard and clearly write your unit # and organizational name on it. Place it on your dashboard when arriving at the Vehicle Pre-Staging so that parade marshals can easily see it. Bonus points for decorating it for pride. 🌈
Vehicle Pre-Staging Map

Full Detailed Map - please locate your assigned location prior to the event

Entering Vehicle Pre-Staging

All Vehicle Entries
- You MUST approach the Vehicle Pre-Staging area from Linn Street.
- Please park as close to the position indicated on the Vehicle Pre-Staging map. Locations are approximate locations, please defer to the parade marshals.
- Arrive ON TIME. If you arrive late, you will be placed in a separate area and will be placed in the lineup at the discretion of the Parade Chair.
- At 9:00 am, vehicles will be moved from the Gest Street parking lot to 7th street.
- Any vehicles arriving after 9:00am may be turned away.
- Any entry that knowingly attempts to “get a better spot” may be removed from the parade.
For Entries 1 - 39
If your location in Pre-Staging is on 6th Street, approach the area from Linn street and turn east onto 6th street. Note: This is normally a one way street going west. The street will be blocked off to allow for our parade vehicles.

For Entries 40-106
Approach the area from Linn Street and turn onto Hudepohl/5th Street to enter the area.
Parking Direction and Order Information

Please refer to the map below to determine in what direction to park your vehicle and how the vehicles will be moved to the main parade staging area on 7th street.

- 1st - Units 1-22 along the north side of 6th street.
- 2nd - Units 23-39 along the south side of 6th street.
- 3rd - Units 40-50 along the west side of Stone Chapel.
- 4th - Units 51-69 along the west side of Stone Chapel.
- 5th - Units 70-82 along the north side of the Access road.
- 6th - Units 83-99 along the south side of the Access road.
- 7th - Units 100-106
Moving to Main Parade Staging

At 9:00am we will begin moving vehicles to the main staging area on 7th street. Groups of 10 will be moved out to Gest Street. If we need to reorder vehicles, we will do this at this time. Vehicles will proceed north on Gest Street and turn onto 7th street. Make note of your Row assignment and follow instructions of the parade marshals. Row A is the north lane of 7th street, Row B is the middle lane of staging, Row C is the third lane of staging. Row D is the Emergency Lane.
Parade Route

Once the parade starts, do NOT stop at intersections. All parade entries must keep moving. Only stop at the direction of a parade marshal or emergency personnel.
Drivers - Important - Route through the Banks

Our parade route takes us through the DORA region at the Banks.

- There is a maximum 20 foot width clearance through that block.
- The temporary barriers in the middle will be removed. The giant tree/flower pots will not.
- Do NOT drive on the green turf areas.
End of the Parade Route

Vehicles/Floats will empty onto the Access road of Yeatman's Cove, drive down the Access road turn left onto Butler Street. Volunteers will direct your vehicle where to stop to let people get out of your vehicle or off of your float.

Thank You

The Parade Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank you for participating in and supporting the Cincinnati Pride Parade. We have become the largest parade within the city, thanks to your participation!