



## ***Orangeburg Volunteer Fire Association's Holiday Parade***

### ***Rules & Regulations***

The Orangeburg Volunteer Fire Association is committed to maintaining a safe and enjoyable environment for all participants and spectators at the parade. To ensure that everyone has a positive experience, it is important that all participants strictly adhere to the established parade rules and guidelines.

- 1) All entries must strictly refrain from including any political or controversial displays. The Orangeburg Volunteer Fire Association reserves the right to remove any participant from the parade who fails to adhere to this rule.
- 2) No drinking alcoholic beverages is permitted while riding in the parade. This is a family orientated parade geared mostly for small children - please do not ruin it for them.
- 3) All vehicles in the parade must have a driver that will not be drinking before or during the parade.
- 4) Please keep all of your vehicles in the staging area - if you need something we will have Association liaisons in your area that can assist.
- 5) All vehicles in the parade must be in staging by 5:00 PM. Please come as a group as we will stage according to arrival time and latecomers will be staged accordingly.
- 6) This is a ride only parade -please do not walk alongside your apparatus as this may slow the parade. Department uniforms are not required but Holiday attire is requested. **No Santa or Mrs. Claus as they will be the last entry in the parade. To have multiple Santa's will ruin a child's belief (and some adults too).**
- 7) We will have portable bathrooms in the staging area and at the end of the parade route. These are our neighbors, and we ask you to be respectful of them and their property. Please place all garbage in the trash bags provided. Leave the bags in staging as our elves will come along after the parade and pick them up to properly dispose of them
- 8) All vehicles and floats must have holiday lights. The more lights the better. This is where we get to be children.
- 9) Please keep the height of your display under thirteen feet as we have wires and low branches throughout the route.
- 10) No water (hose streams, extinguishers, etc.) is permitted at any time prior to, during, or following the parade.
- 11) Please play Holiday Music and try to keep sirens and air horns to a minimum, especially on the residential streets – loud noises will scare the children and pets.
- 12) The reviewing stand and judges will be at the Orangeburg Fire House (appropriately nicknamed the Christmas Tree Shop) at the corner of Orangeburg Road and Dutch Hill Road. Please pause in front of the reviewing stand for 10 seconds so the public can take photos.
- 13) At the end of the parade please return to the firehouse to enjoy hot dogs and refreshments while the judge sheets are being tallied up.
- 14) **Please, this cannot be stressed enough. There shall be no throwing of candy from vehicles. This is a hazard as this causes the children to run onto the road.**

## **Thank You and Enjoy the Parade**

## **WAIVER AND HOLD HARMLESS 2026**

**Please Print Your FD, Company or Organization**

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In consideration of the acceptance by the Orangeburg Volunteer Fire Association of the entry of the undersigned in the Orangeburg Volunteer Fire Associations' Holiday Parade to be held in the hamlet of Orangeburg on Saturday, December 12, 2026, the undersigned does hereby remise, release, and forever discharge the Orangeburg Volunteer Fire Association, the Orangeburg Fire District and the Orangeburg Fire Department and their officers, members, representatives, successors or assigns of and from all and any manner of actions, cause of actions, suits, debts, trespasses, damage and injuries, which may be sustained to equipment or personnel as a result of its participation in activities in conjunction with the Orangeburg Volunteer Fire Association's Holiday Parade in Orangeburg on Saturday, December 12, 2026 and does hereby further covenant and agree to hold harmless and defend and to indemnify and keep indemnified the Orangeburg Volunteer Fire Association, the Orangeburg Fire District and the Orangeburg Fire Department and their officers, members, representatives, successors or assigns and to hold and save them harmless from and against all claims and damages whatsoever as a result of said participation.

Representative's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Representative's Name \_\_\_\_\_