



PARADE FLOAT SAFETY GUIDELINES

1. Decorative material used on parade floats shall be flame resistant.
2. A minimum of one (1) ten pound multipurpose (ABC) fire extinguisher shall be provided for each float. The fire extinguisher must be located in an accessible location, be currently certified and maintained in operable condition and present at the time of float inspections.
3. A generator or battery must power all electrical appliances.
4. All wiring and wiring connections must be located where they are not exposed to physical damage, secured to float and maintained in a safe condition.
5. All generators must be uncovered and exhaust discharge not located within 3 feet of combustible materials.
6. Generators shall not be located in enclosed spaces or the passenger compartment of vehicles. (Ex. Hatchback vehicles with the hatch open in not an approved location for a gas powered generator).
7. All heat sources (lights etc.) must be located away from all combustible materials.
8. Safety chains must be affixed to the float and towing vehicle. Chains must be present and affixed at the time of float inspection.
9. No open flames are permitted on floats or vehicles.
10. Individuals riding on the float must be situated in a secure location, (Seated or provided with a secure handhold e.g. railing, pole, handle).
11. A slow moving vehicle "reflective triangle" sign must be affixed to the rear of the float in an easily visible location.
12. Normal unobstructed vision to the front, sides and rear of the towing vehicle must be provided to the vehicle operator.
13. All safety devices must be in place and operational at check in time.