

# ISLAND COUNTY FAIR PARADE RULES

Superintendent: Carol Gannaway

Saturday, August 21, 2010

1. **NO FREE PASSES** will be given to anyone for participation in the parade. Parade monitors will be on the Midway to ensure that parade marchers and/or riders stay with their entry until it has exited through the back gate.
2. Entry forms are available at the back of this book, online at [www.islandcountyfair.com](http://www.islandcountyfair.com) or at the Fair Office. Entry forms will be accepted in the Fair Office from June 1 to the entry deadline of August 16, 2010 at 4 p.m. **THIS DEADLINE WILL BE ENFORCED.** No late entries will be accepted. Each entry is required to have a responsible adult (over 18) registering who will be in charge of all members and animals in the unit, accompanying their unit along the parade route. This adult should discuss with each entry participant the parade's general rules and conduct, and arrange prior to parade day a meeting location close to the parade staging area at 3rd and Park.
3. With their entry form, entrants should submit two typewritten lines, double spaced, of instruction and/or introduction of their entry as they wish it to be announced by the Midway stage MC.
4. Participants must report to their numbered areas between 8:30 and 9 a.m. on parade day. The parade begins promptly at 10 a.m. Parade headquarters and number assignments will be at Burley Funeral Home's parking lot (3rd and Park) between 8:30 and 9 a.m. Numbers and starting positions will be given at check-in, unless Superintendent has contacted entries beforehand. Parade route is approximately 1½ miles long.
5. Parade staging vehicles must be removed from all staging areas to a prearranged location by participants, or the Langley Police Department will remove them before the parade starts.
6. All entrants must be able to complete the parade route of approximately 1½ miles, with a medium decline and a slight incline along the parade route. All participating vehicles are required to have a braking system and be in sound mechanical condition prior to staging. Marching and individual participants need to be physically able to complete the parade route. Animal entrants must be well cared for prior to, during and after the parade to ensure no harm to the animal.
7. Judging of all units will be done prior to and during the parade route, by the American System. All entries, except political, will be judged by this year's Fair theme of "For a doggone good time!" Awards will be based upon best use of theme, color, animation, costume, music, movement, visibility, presentation, coordinating effects and relevance to the Island County Fair.
8. **NO CANDY OR MATERIAL MAY BE THROWN** from any participant to the audience along the parade route due to safety concerns. One person on each side of an entry (float, car, etc.) may **HAND OUT** candy. No candy with cardboard, wood or plastic handles (i.e. suckers on a stick) is allowed.
9. **NO SMOKING** within 50 feet of any vehicle or float is allowed. All vehicle entrants must carry a fire extinguisher on the vehicle during the parade.
10. **ALL GROUP ANIMAL ENTRIES MUST HAVE A PICK-UP PERSON** (pooper scooper) immediately following its group, responsible for keeping the streets clear of animal waste. There will be an award for the most creative scoopers.
11. No animal may be ridden by more than one person at a time. Parade Horse Unit Coordinator will meet all horse groups on the Fairgrounds at 9:30 a.m. to be escorted by the Langley Police Department to the staging area.
12. **POLITICAL DIVISION will not be judged.** All political advertisements or endorsements on any Island County Fair equipment or units must have written approval of the Island County Fair Board.
13. The parade route starts at parade headquarters on 3rd and Park and exits the Fairgrounds. Entrants may not disperse before reaching the old school bus barn parking area. **NO ONE IS ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE PARADE ROUTE WITHIN THE FAIRGROUNDS EXCEPT EMERGENCY VEHICLES.**