



OFFICIAL PARADE APPLICATION  
**DEERFIELD VALLEY BLUEBERRY FESTIVAL PARADE**

Sponsored in part by a grant from the Dover Economic Development Fund  
Saturday August 8th 2009 – 11 a.m.

Vermont's  
2nd Annual

Deerfield  
Valley  
Blueberry  
Festival

Parade Theme "ALL THINGS BLUE AND AGRICULTURAL"

Our Heritage Our Communities

DEADLINE: July 8th, 2009 (no exceptions)

Note: All entries subject to review by Parade Committee

**Parade Will Go Rain or Shine!!**

\*Unit Name \_\_\_\_\_

\*Contact person \_\_\_\_\_

\*Address \_\_\_\_\_

\*City \_\_\_\_\_ \*State \_\_\_\_\_ \*Zip \_\_\_\_\_ \*Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\*Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

**\* Required Information**

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|---|--|
| 1. _____ Antique Auto/Truck (50 yrs & Older)          | 9. _____ Band, High School/ Tumbling Unit/Cheerleading               |
| 2. _____ Classic Auto/Truck (25-50 yrs old)           | 10. _____ Horse Unit (Group) Professional**                          |
| 3. _____ Antique Tractor (25 Yrs & Older)             | 11. _____ Horse Unit (Individual or Drawn) **                        |
| 4. _____ Auto/Truck Club (6 Vehicle Limit)            | <b>(Horse units <u>must</u> provide Coggins &amp; Rabies Certs.)</b> |
| 5. _____ Band (Other than High School)                | 12. _____ Float  |
| 6. _____ Color Guard                                  | 13. _____ Individuals (clowns etc.)                                  |
| 7. _____ Misc. Motorized Units (Limited to Two Axles) | 14. _____ Political  |
| 8. _____ Military Units (Marching or Motorized)       |  |

Check type of Float Entry: \_\_\_\_\_ Business - \$50.00: \_\_\_\_\_ NON-Profit - \$10.00

**There is NO CHARGE for non-float entries**

Make checks payable to: Mount Snow Valley Chamber of Commerce payment and proof of vehicle insurance must accompany application

Tell us how you want your unit announced (75 words or less)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\*Will your unit have audio effects (i.e., background accompaniment)? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If yes, describe \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* How will you handle your horse's sanitation? (Check one): \_\_\_\_\_ Diaper \_\_\_\_\_ Scooper

\*\*\*NOTE: You will not be allowed to participate in the parade if you do not provide horse sanitation.

INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL BE RETURNED

Prizes Awarded for:

Best Themed to **All Things Blue and Agricultural**: First place \$225  
Second place \$100

Best themed to **Our Heritage Our Communities**: First place \$100  
Second place \$50



PARADE ENTRY WAIVER OF LIABILITY

I, the undersigned, as group representative, have read all the rules and procedures for participating in the Deerfield Valley Blueberry Festival Parade and hereby agree I/we will follow all said rules and procedures while participating in the activities before, during, and after the DVBFP.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Group \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, as group representative, hereby release, remise and forever discharge The Mount Snow Haystack Region Chamber of Commerce, and its officers and directors, severally or jointly, the DVBFP Parade Committee and the town of Dover, of any and all liability, claims, actions and possible causes of action which may occur to any member of the group from every and any loss, damage and injury (including death) that may be sustained while participating in the parade.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Group \_\_\_\_\_

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT (MUST BE SIGNED BY PERSON IN CHARGE)

I/we assume all risk of bodily injury or property damage that I/we may incur in participating in the DVBFP and I/we hereby, for myself, my child, my heirs, executors, and administrators do hereby, expressly and forever waive and release any and all claims against and agree to hold harmless DVBFP, Inc., the town of Dover, and all their respective officers, employees, agents, representatives, successors, or assigns of any kind from any and all claims which may be made for any cause whatsoever arising as a result or in connection with the participation of me or my child in the herein mentioned event.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your application. Please mail to:

Attn: Parade Committee Blueberry Festival  
C/O Mount Snow Valley Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 3  
Wilmington, VT 05363

Phone: 802-464-8092

Fax: 802-464-0287

Email: [info@visitvermont.com](mailto:info@visitvermont.com)

SORRY, NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE DATE of  
July 8, 2009

**Sign and return**



**RULES & PROCEDURES FOR ALL ENTRIES**  
(PLEASE KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS)

1. All applications must be completed. Incomplete applications will be returned to applicant.
2. The DVBF Festival Parade Committee reserves the right to bar or remove from the parade any entry, which refuses to follow all instructions from parade officials and/or police.

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3. All applicants approved by the Parade Committee will receive an invitation to participate in the MCBF Festival Parade.
4. No additional vehicles or persons (including cars, scooters, marchers, etc.) will be allowed to accompany units unless the Parade Committee deems them essential to the quality of the unit.
5. All applications must be accompanied by a signed waiver of liability.
6. Gifts, merchandise, and candy may be handed out by street level individuals along the parade route. Absolutely nothing may be thrown by festival participants. Officials and police will strictly enforce this policy.
7. Equestrian units will be required to supply pooper-scoopers or diapers for animals.
8. Consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages or illegal substances is forbidden by anyone anywhere throughout the parade or on any float or vehicle or on the person of any participant.
9. Parade officials will enforce spacing between each unit. Units are required to close the gap between itself and the proceeding unit when directed by parade officials.
10. Individuals or groups may identify themselves either by way of banner or sign, either carried by marchers, posted on a vehicle, or float. It must NOT include an offensive political statement or religious inscription nor depict same through pictures or other artwork. Groups may not use language or actions that depict violence, sex, nudity, etc. which may be deemed in poor taste or offensive to those viewing the parade.
11. An entry which fails to appear for the parade without first notifying the MCBF Festival Office, or an entry which does not comply with all rules, will jeopardize future invitations to participate in the MCBF Festival Parade.
12. Any entry, which has displayed on it the name of a company, which is in business primarily for profit, shall be deemed a business entry. A business entry pays a \$50.00 fee. Any non-profit entry, which carries the name of a commercial business, is also subject to a commercial fee.
13. Participants must arrive at their designated staging spot at the specified time, or they will not be allowed to participate.
14. Use of vehicles shall be limited to the following:
  - Convertibles for dignitaries as determined by the Parade Committee.
  - Approved units such as antique tractors, car clubs/truck clubs
  - Police and fire units
15. Trucks, tractors, semis will not be permitted except as float rules.
16. In order to assure your participation in the parade, this application must be received at the Festival Office no later than July 8<sup>th</sup> 2009. Be sure to keep a copy for your records.
17. All entrants are responsible for arranging any power, helium, or other supplies necessary for set-up and tear down of the unit.
18. All entrants are responsible for walking/inspecting the route before the parade to make sure their unit can clear any wires, trees, viaducts, street lights, corners/turns, etc. along the route, including the staging areas and routes and disembarking area.



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## FLOAT UNITS

1. The following restrictions apply:	<b>Maximum</b>
Length	60 feet
Width	12 feet
Height	14 feet

\* The height is especially important because of traffic lights and wires.

2. The following safety measures are required:

- Handholds or other support for personnel standing on the float.
- Float materials and costumes made of flameproof material (or sprayed with flame-proofing solution of 7 oz. Borax, 3 oz. powdered boric acid and 2 qts. hot water).
- A fire extinguisher aboard the float or propulsion unit.
- Safety-type couplers for all towing connections.
- Carefully secured lug nuts on all wheels.
- Reasonably new tires of good quality.
- At-least one adult must supervise children.

3. The float design should relate to the theme(s). The sponsors name on either commercial or non-commercial entries may appear on the float or on a banner preceding the float. If a business name is used by a non-profit organization, a business fee must be paid.

4. Parade Officials may disqualify an entry at any time if, in their opinion, the entry is not fully observing the parade rules and regulations.

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