

# RULES TO PARADE BY

## St. Patrick's Day Parade



- **PARADE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED IN ADVANCE.**
- **You cannot leave and re-enter the parade.** Doing so can revoke participation and could result in revocation of parade permit.
- **No gaps in the parade.** Volunteers will work to keep participants close together. When entries spread out, it becomes a safety issue.
- **Absolutely no candy can be distributed.** Sioux Falls City Ordinance 38-143 states: "No person conducting, managing, or participating in any parade shall distribute or permit the distribution of any candy or balloons to persons in attendance during the parade."
- **Alcohol will not be permitted.** No alcohol on floats, in vehicles, in the staging area or de-staging area, etc. If a person is drinking and operating a vehicle, he/she will be subject to removal or possible arrest by the police. These rules are state statutes.
- **Absolutely no semi-trailers.** Semi-trailers will not be allowed in the parade due to their length. There are several corners on the route and staging area, and they are too difficult to turn with such a long float.
- **No handouts of any kind.** For safety reasons, and to keep the parade flowing, the distribution of souvenirs, flyers, etc. will not be permitted.
- **Do your best to keep litter under control.** Help keep Sioux Falls beautiful!
- **Adults 16 and over must purchase an official St. Patrick's Day Button.** (\$3) Buttons are available at the Greater Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce office (200 N. Phillips Ave., Suite 200), at several downtown businesses and will also be available the day of the parade.
- **A St. Patrick's Day theme is required for all parade participants.** Use the color green or any other St. Patrick's Day theme to fit the festive occasion.
- **Each motorized float must provide walkers on each side of entry to ensure crowd safety.**
- **As the button donations help pay for parade and some proceeds are distributed to charities – NO Refunds on purchased buttons.**



**The above rules will help ensure your personal safety and the safety of others. Have an enjoyable time and thank you for your courtesy and participation!**