

1600 North Roosevelt Blvd

Float Requirements

The Key West Fire Department will be conducting safety inspections on all floats participating in the *Fantasy Fest Parade*. The inspections will begin at 10:00 AM as the floats enter the staging area. It is extremely important that all floats arrive at the inspection area at the time specified by the *Fantasy Fest Organizers*, and each float has someone familiar with the operations of the float to demonstrate all safety equipment. Each float will require one member of the team to stay with the float while in the staging area. Inspections will be terminated at 5:00 PM. All floats not having the inspection by 5:00 PM will not be allowed to participate in this year's parade.

All floats must be inspected before the parade begins.

Float Inspection

- 1. Sponsor's name and name of responsible party for each entry
- 2. One responsible person must remain with the float from registration to "step-off"
- 3. All fire safety precautions listed must remain with the float for the entire event
- 4. Floats may not leave the staging area after inspection until "step-off"
- 5. Entries must be inspected no later than 5:00 PM

Prohibited Items

- 1. Water Cannons, Squirt guns, Sprayers
- 2. Smoke Generators
- 3. Any device that projects materials toward the crowd
- 4. Fireworks, or flammables of any type
- 5. Firearms, actual or simulated
- 6. Fuel for filling generators; refueling generators after "step-off" is prohibited

Safety Precautions Required

- 1. Two working portable fire extinguishers with a rating of not less than 3A40BC to be located one at the front and one at the rear of the float with participants aware of the location and operation
- 2. Generators must be in good working order with adequate ventilation and distance between heated exhaust and flammable materials such as bunting, fabric, and papier mache
- 3. Lighting devices must be properly wired and have adequate distance from flammable materials such as bunting, fabric, and papier mache
- 4. Floats must be structurally sound for riders as well as spectators. Any float deemed dangerous will require repair prior to passing inspection
- 5. No open flames of any type

Remember when designing the float to allow for tight turns along the route. The tow vehicle should be in good working order and powerful enough to tow the float without breaking down. The driver is responsible for the safety of all riders and the spectators around the float.