



Dear Musky Festival Parade Participant,

Thank you for participating in our 76th Annual Musky Festival Parade! **Please report to the registration area on Sunday, June 28, 2026 at the tent near the Hayward Intermediate School (Fifth St. and Wisconsin Ave.) between 10:30 am and 12:30 pm for your line-up assignment, as it may have changed from previous years.** The parade begins promptly at 1:00 pm. Some of the surrounding parade route street will close by 12:00 noon, so please take this into consideration in planning your arrival. Please refer to the parade route for street closures. Complying with these simple rules will make the Musky Festival Parade enjoyable for participants and spectators.

1. **ABSOLUTELY NO THROWING OF ANY ITEMS** – You may NOT throw candy, buttons, literature or any item. If you want to pass out any of the above items you must have walkers pass them out. The Hayward City Police will issue citations and you will be held liable for any accidents due to items being thrown.
2. **LINEUP POSITIONS** – Positions will be assigned at the discretion of the parade organizers. Changes may occur, so please have someone at your unit at all times before parade start time.
3. **FEES AND PRIZES** – Fees paid to performing units must be approved prior to parade day. Fees will be paid at check-in.
4. **JUDGING** – A trophy and \$100 in Chamber Bucks will be awarded to the best overall float.
5. **PERFORMANCES** – All performing units will be required to be in full performance for the duration of the parade.
6. **SIGNAGE** – Please display appropriate, family-friendly signage on all floats, units, or with any person walking with your unit. If a sign(s) is deemed inappropriate by the parade organizers and/or volunteers, you will kindly be asked to remove it before the parade start. If you do not wish to comply, you will be asked to leave, and no refund will be given.
7. **DECORUM** – this is a family-friendly event meant for the enjoyment of all. Please be kind to all other entries and spectators. If inappropriate behavior is observed or reported to Parade Organizers & Volunteers you will be asked to leave, no refund will be given, and you will not be allowed to participate in future Musky Fest Parades.
8. **NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES** – Alcoholic beverages are not allowed at the lineup or on the parade route. Arrests will be made for violations.
9. **SPACING** – Intervals of 50 feet are required between units.
10. **COMPLETE THE PARADE ROUTE** – All units are required to complete the entire parade route.
11. **SIRENS, HORNS, LOUD NOISES** - **Please be conservative when sounding sirens, horns and loud noises** and aware of volume and duration of noise on the parade route to minimize noise discomfort for sensitive ears. Do not allow your volume to interfere with the other performances, or to startle animals or participants.
12. **ADDITIONAL VEHICLES** – No buses or equipment trucks may follow parade units on the route. Overflow parking is allowed at the parking lot at check-in.

Contact robyn@haywardareachamber.com or 715-634-8662 with questions.

MUSKY FEST GRAND PARADE MAP

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CHECK-IN TENT

SECTION A:
PARKING LOT

SECTION B:
PRIMARY DRIVE

SECTION C:
FIRST LUTHERAN

SECTION D:
ROAD IN FRONT
OF PRIMARY

SECTION E:
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PARADE ROUTE

MAIN ST.
WEST ON 2ND ST.
NORTH ON DAKOTA ST.
WEST ON 5TH ST.

