

# Dr. Martin Luther King Day Parade

Tampa, Florida

Parade Participant:

The Dr Martin Luther King Parade Foundation, cordially invites you to participate in the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Parade in Tampa, Fl; **Monday, January 15, 2018**. Participating in the event is not only great fun but it also provides you with an excellent way to promote your organization or business at minimal cost. Entries are limited, so please note the application deadline date and submit your application with required attachments, as early as possible.

Parade applications, accompanying documents (vehicle insurance, sketches, drawings) and entry fees can be submitted online. Alternatively, applications can be downloaded from our website and mailed in. Visit the Parade Foundation website at [www.mlkjrparade.com](http://www.mlkjrparade.com) for application submission. Please review all forms carefully and complete all requested information. Please note that applications submitted after the early entry deadline will incur a \$50 late fee.

All motorized and/or trailer vehicles must be insured to participate in parade. Our mailing address is **Dr Martin Luther King Parade Foundation, 5508 N 50<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 28, Tampa, FL. 33610**. Applications will be processed and given position numbers as they are received.

## Important Application Dates!!!

**Early entry deadline – December 1, 2017 (submit entry fee and if applicable, accompanying documents)**

**Late entry period – December 2, 2017 thru December 15, 2017 (submit entry fee plus \$50 and if applicable, accompanying documents)**

**After December 15, 2017... parade entry CLOSED**

On behalf of the Parade Foundation, we look forward to receiving your application and thank you for your interest and participation in the Dr. Martin Luther King Day Parade. For questions please visit our website and click on the “Contact Us” tab, call directly @ 813-327-8316, or e-mail us at [mlkparadefoundation@gmail.com](mailto:mlkparadefoundation@gmail.com).

Sincerely,

*Robert Scott, Jr*

President, Dr Martin Luther King Parade Foundation

**Cancellations:** For safety of participants and spectators, if weather or other unforeseen events occur that are out of our control, the Dr Martin Luther King Parade Foundation reserves the right to cancel scheduled events or parade. Application fees are none refundable. If cancelled, there are no alternative dates.

# Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade-Tampa

## Application Checklist

### Return this page with application

A complete application consists of the following:

1.  Entry Application, complete and all required pages signed.
2.  Proof of Insurance; submit (copy) proof of insurance with application. Organizations renting through a professional float company should have their company submit insurance documents to Dr. Martin Luther King Parade Foundation, Inc.
3.  Photograph/artist rendering of float entry.
4.  Entry fee – Check made payable to Dr. Martin Luther King Parade Foundation, Inc.
5.  Completed Safety Officer Acknowledgement Letter.

\* Please submit measurements of vehicle/float entry in feet.

\* Safety monitors are required for all motorized vehicles NO EXCEPTIONS.

\* Organizations without monitors will not be allowed to participate.

Mail (or upload online) the above listed items to:

Dr. Martin Luther King Parade Foundation  
5508 N 50<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 28  
Tampa, Florida 33610

**Parade Start Time: 12:00 noon**  
**Parade Line-up (Staging) Opens at 8:00 AM**  
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Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

**(Enter correct address and contact name to where parade documents can be mailed)**

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print email address legibly)

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete all entry information... the type of entry and length are needed to assist Parade Marshals in staging your entry

**INDICATE TYPE OF UNIT**

\_\_\_ **Professional Float** – Total Length of Unit \_\_\_\_\_ (Include Tow Unit)

**Name of Float Builder** \_\_\_\_\_ **Builder Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Float Builder Contact** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ **Homemade Float** – Total Length of Unit \_\_\_\_\_ (Include Tow Unit) **this includes truck/trailer units**

**Please include photograph or sketch of float entry**

**Float Safety Monitor Captain** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell #** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ **Walking Unit** – Total members in unit \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ **Equestrian Unit (Horses)** – Total number of horses in unit \_\_\_\_\_

All horse units must have a scooper unit; those horse units without a scooper will not be allowed to participate ..... No Exceptions!

\_\_\_ **Car** ..... Total Length of Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Feet

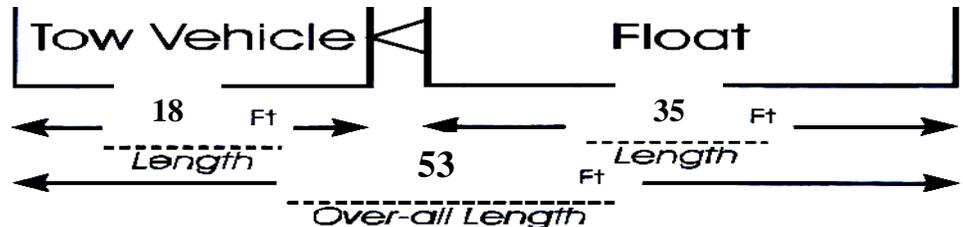
\_\_\_ **Truck** ..... Total Length of Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Feet

\_\_\_ **Motorcycles** ..... Total Number of Motorcycles \_\_\_\_\_

**Example**

**Overall length is important for positioning in staging area; please provide accurate measurements**

**Entry Measurements**  
*Please include a photo of your Parade Entry with your completed application*



**Insurance Carrier:** \_\_\_\_\_



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## Entry Fee Schedule

Type of Entry	Entry Fee
Motorcycle Unit – Any Number	\$300 per unit
Equestrian Unit – Any Number	\$300 per unit
Commercial Business – Float	\$350 per unit
Commercial Business – Vehicle	\$300 per unit
Commercial Business – Walkers Only	\$250 per unit
Social/ Community Group/ Churches – Float	\$300 per unit
Social/ Community Group/ Churches – Vehicle	\$250 per unit
Social/ Community Group/ Churches – Walkers Only	\$200 per unit

**Please circle fee submitted**

### !!!! NOTE !!!!

Each vehicle is a unit – please include an entry fee for each unit

Groups of Motorcycles or Groups of Equestrians make up a unit – please specify number in each unit

No additional vehicles (i.e. vehicles not specified on the application) will be allowed on day of parade

Each unit must display appropriate parade entry pass to enter staging area

Proof of insurance must accompany each parade application with vehicles

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**ACCEPTANCE OF ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**  
**LIABILITY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

In consideration of the acceptance of the entry of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Organization)

to the Dr. Martin Luther King Parade Foundation, Inc.

I \_\_\_\_\_, an authorized representative of the  
(Contact Representatives Name; please print address legibly)

\_\_\_\_\_ do hereby state the following:  
(Name of Organization)

1. I have been specifically authorized to enter into this agreement on behalf of the organization seeking entry into the Parade. My organization is aware of the terms and conditions of the Entry Requirements, Liability release and the Hold Harmless Agreement, and agrees to be bonded by the same.
2. For my organization, its owners, members, parade participants, successors and assigns, I do hereby release and forever discharge Dr. Martin Luther King Parade Foundation Inc., its members, officers, agents, assigns, and Parade sponsors, from any and all, causes of action, claims and demands of any type whatsoever, arising from, or related to, any damage, loss, or injury, which may be sustained by my organization as a result of participating in the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade-Tampa, Florida.
3. For my organization, its owners, members, parade participants, successors, and assigns, I do hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless Dr. Martin Luther King Parade Foundation Inc., its members, officers, agents, and liabilities, loss, damages, and expense of any type, including attorneys fees, which may be sustained by reason of my organization as a result of participating in the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade-Tampa, Florida.
4. This release extends to and includes all known, unknown, disclosed, undisclosed, unforeseen, unanticipated, and unsuspected injuries, damages, losses and liabilities, and the consequences thereof.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Person Authorized to Execute Agreement for Organization)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please Print Name

## **Safety Officer Acknowledgement Letter**

Please check each box to acknowledge that you have read and understand the following; City of Tampa/Hillsborough County Ordinance, rules that are consistent with all parade events in the City of Tampa and Hillsborough County; complete the bottom portion of this page. This page must be submitted to Dr. Martin Luther King Parade Foundation Inc. with your parade application. **Incomplete applications will be placed on hold until required documents are received.**

**All motor vehicle units require a Safety Officer.**

Safety Officer (1)

The Safety Officer will be the Point of Contact. **Safety Officers are to wear safety vest that must be worn and visible at all times; safety vests will not be provided.** The Safety Officer will be required to remain with their unit following entry into the staging area. The Safety Officer is required to review safety rules with safety monitors, vehicle drivers, and all group participants. Safety Officer is to oversee the safe disbanding of their unit until the last person has disembarked their vehicle/float and participants are reunited with transportation. Special care should be taken to ensure children are returned to transportation accordingly.

Safety Monitors (4)

**Each parade applicant (organization) shall provide (4) four Safety Monitors stationed at the corners of any vehicle/float used in the parade at all times while the vehicle(s) are moving. Each Safety Monitor should be equipped with a safety vest and a coach's whistle.** The role of the Safety Monitor is to make sure the driver is aware of any emergency requiring him/her to stop immediately. Emergencies include, but are not limited to, equipment malfunctions, passengers falling from vehicle, overhead obstructions, endangered riders, and parade viewers breaching the area and coming too close to entry vehicle/floats. Safety Monitors and vehicle/unit drivers are not to consume any alcoholic beverages or hand out items to spectators along the parade route. Units that do not have the requisite numbers of Safety Monitors may be pulled from the parade lineup until Safety Monitor requirements are met.

Safety Officer Contact Name and Cell Number:

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Safety Officer Contact Signature:

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[Keep this page for your records](#)

## Parade Rules:

1. All units must move forward at all times to maintain their positions; this eliminates or lessens gaps. If stops occur, move forward at walking pace until gap is eliminated. Do not run or speed to close gaps; this could cause undue stress on participants following your unit to advance.
2. Drivers of vehicles must maintain control of their vehicles; drivers are not allowed to throw beads or other items from the driver's position.
3. Parade participants are not allowed to ride on the outside of moving vehicles; riding on hoods, fenders, sides or roofs of vehicles is prohibited.
4. Units composed of live animals must be followed by a clean-up crew throughout the parade; this also includes staging area. Animals must be trained and controlled and any mishaps are the exclusive responsibility of the unit representative.
5. All units admitted to the Parade staging area must have properly signed staging passes issued by the Parade Foundation. Units arriving at the staging area without the proper passes will not be allowed into staging.
6. Paper materials (booklets, brochures, flyers, pamphlets, etc.) are **NOT** allowed to be distributed along the Parade route.
7. Motorcycle units are welcome. Each motorcycle must be properly insured.
8. **NO** alcohol consumption by parade participants.
9. Parade officials can remove unit(s) from parade route if rules are violated.

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