



24th Annual Tinley Park

IRISH PARADE

Sunday, March 3, 2024

1:00 pm Step-off

PARADE ENTRY FORM

Enjoy this family-friendly event along Oak Park Avenue in Downtown Tinley Park.

Step-Off at 1:00 p.m. Line-Up at 11:30 a.m. at Central Middle School (18146 S. Oak Park Ave.)

Parking will be limited to Service King's parking lot. Please carpool to lineup.

Oak Park Avenue will close at 12:30 p.m. No thru traffic will be allowed after that time.

NO OPEN ALCOHOL IS PERMITTED ALONG THE PARADE ROUTE AND AT LINE-UP.

Participation is on a first come, first served basis.

No entries will be accepted after max number of entries are met.

Please complete the application and return by February 16, 2024.

PARADE ENTRY FEES

Veterans, Schools and Non-Profit Groups	Tinley Park Businesses	Non-Tinley Park Businesses and Political Groups	Unions and Large Corporations
\$20.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.00	\$200.00

Every entry is expected to display the spirit of St. Patrick's Day, whether through floats, music, décor, costuming, etc.

ORGANIZATION _____ CONTACT NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

WEBSITE _____ PHONE _____ *EMAIL _____

Two to three sentences about your organization/entry (will be announced):

****Choose only ONE category of entry and please include number of vehicles/floats in entry and approx. sizes**

Amateur Float _____

Professional Float _____

Performance Group _____

Walking Group/Vehicle _____

* Communication to entries in the parade will be via email.

** Awards will be given in categories above. Check the category in which you would like to be judged.

Check this box if your entry will be playing music along the parade route

Check this box if your entry will include animals (See 2nd page for regulations)

Make check payable to: Village of Tinley Park, 16250 S. Oak Park Avenue, Tinley Park, IL 60477
Credit cards are accepted in person only. For more information, please email agus@tinleypark.org.



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Parade Rules and Regulations

- Oak Park Avenue will close 30 minutes before step-off, please plan accordingly.
- **NO OPEN ALCOHOL IS PERMITTED ON THE PARADE ROUTE, LINE-UP AREA, OR IN ANY VEHICLES!**
- **A sensory friendly Quiet Zone will be located at the start of the parade at 179th Street through White Egret Ct. While in this section of the parade, no horns or loud music should be played.**
- All floats with children must have at least two adults riding on the float.
- All entries must be pre-registered with a complete application form and designated fees.
- Music used on an entry is strongly encouraged and should be stated on the application. Volume must be adjustable, and music must be appropriate for all ages.
- We encourage a fire extinguisher on each float in case of an emergency.
- Any vehicle or float deemed unsafe will be removed from the parade line-up.
- The Tinley Park Police Department and Fire Department may exercise the authority to veto any aspect of the parade they feel poses an unreasonable risk of injury or danger to the public.
- All vehicles must be clean and in good running condition.
- All drivers of floats or motorized vehicles must have proof of vehicle liability insurance and a valid Illinois Drivers License with the appropriate classification.
- Drivers of motorized vehicles must comply with all traffic laws and must refrain from excessive accelerations, wheelies, and burnouts.
- No candy or materials may be thrown from parade floats or moving vehicles to spectators along parade route. Candy may be handed to the crowd at the curb.
- Parade participants may not jump from or onto floats or motorized vehicles during the parade.
- Make sure all the decorations on your float are properly secured. Keep extension cords away from wheels or other moving parts.
- Animals in the parade must be listed on the entry application. All animals must have updated vaccinations and be in good medical health and be able to cope with crowds and other animals. Parade applicants must provide someone to immediately clean up after the animal. Violators of this rule will be removed from the parade. Dogs must be on a leash and controlled at all times.
- All participants must follow communications from police and traffic officers and must be able to keep pace with the parade. Any walker who is unable to keep pace with the group should plan to ride in their vehicle in lieu of walking.
- Each entry group must maintain a forward momentum and may not slow or stop the parade in any way. Units may not stop to perform anywhere along the parade route including for television cameras unless directed by the parade marshal or at the assigned reviewing stand. The parade will cross the train tracks on Oak Park Ave. There is to be no stopping on the tracks for any reason.
- No ticker tape, silly string, or confetti may be used in the parade or at line-up.
- Firearms and/or squirt guns are not allowed except for those used by the Color Guard.
- The parade is rain or shine, but the Parade Committee may cancel the parade due to inclement or life-threatening weather. The Village designated police and emergency management contact will assist in making this determination.