

1st Saturday
in November

Elgin's Veterans Parade Celebration

Parade Rules and Information

1. ALL ENTRIES MUST CHECK IN AT THE REGISTRATION TABLE NO later than 8:30am.
2. Participants must complete and turn in the permission page for all participants under the age of 18 at check in & entries must provide contact information for all participants regardless of their age. Note: The contact information provided for all participants with the parade entry form will be used to follow up with participants in case of an emergency. (Refer to #5)
3. PARADE WILL BEGIN AT 10:00 AM. (Spotter will give 2 long air horn burst).
4. A licensed driver must drive autos, tractors, and large vehicles. Drivers are responsible for safety and behavior of their participants. Small vehicles (minibikes, etc) must be operated by a person age 12 or older & parent/guardian will be responsible for conduct. ALL pets must be on a leash. ***Drivers: Once your parade entry has come to the "STOP Sign" at S. Avenue C, the parade is considered concluded, but as a courtesy to other parade participants, please disband at original point of entry. In which, you must follow all traffic regulations including STOP Signs, etc at conclusion of parade.***
5. An adult supervisor who will be responsible for the behavior of their participants must represent each youth group. Adult groups must name a contact person. Names of supervisor or contact person must be submitted at registration or before start of parade. ***refer to the Participants - Riders - Youth - Parent Signature Page.
6. All entries must **maintain a steady pace**; please do not stop for performances along the parade route.
7. **Do not throw** candy, pencils, water bottles, or any other items from your parade entry - float, vehicle, etc. If you want to share candy, flyers, etc. you **must** have walkers. Walkers must walk the parade route to hand items to the people along the parade route. Water guns - please use your manners and do not squirt anyone who does not want to get wet.
8. **Please no weaving of vehicles, animal drawn, or entries, etc.**
9. Mounted/animal entries must have proof of Coggins test available and mounted/animal units are required to have a "clean-up crew" after their units/participants. ALL horse riders MUST KEEP CONTROL OF THEIR HORSES AT ALL TIMES. If a horse become unruly, please leave the parade route.
10. **NOTE:** If your parade entry has **mechanical problems**: Activate emergency flashers, honk your horn to alert that you have a mechanical issue, and **pull or push** to the LEFT LANE of the roadway. Be mindful **NOT** to impact attendees on the side of the roads. Call 911.
11. If a **medical emergency occurs**: Activate emergency flashers, honk your horn and **pull or push** to the LEFT LANE of the roadway. Be mindful **NOT** to impact attendees on the side of the roads. Call 911.
12. For **found child or lost property** please go to the announcer location on main street to retrieve lost possessions. **If the police department finds a child**, they will take them to the announcer stand and radio to everyone along the route so they can relay the information or share the information with the parent(s) when they come to report their child missing.
13. Exceptions to these rules may be made only with approval of the Elgin Veterans Parade Committee.