



Welcome to the Hyack International Parade!

We want to thank you for helping to make our parade a huge success but most of all we want you to have fun!

PARADE STARTS AT 11:00

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1. IMPORTANT LOCATIONS

<u>Overnight Float Parking & Security - Queens Park</u> Parking Lot behind the Arena Enter from 1 st Street at 3 rd Avenue	<u>Assembly Area Parking</u> High school parking lot is closed. Parking is available west 10 th Street. See the Site Map for details	<u>Dispersal Area Parking</u> Queens Park Enter from 1 st St at 3 rd Ave See map for band bus parking
<u>Shuttle Buses 8:30 - 2:00</u> Pick-up at Dispersal Area - First St & Emory Ave Drop-off Assembly Area - 6 th Ave & 5 th Street	<u>Registration Tent</u> 8:00-10:00 Registration 8 th St & 8 th Ave Check-in to receive your parade number and Parade Day Kit	<u>St John's Ambulance</u> 8:00 - 10:45 - 8 th Ave & 8 th St 11:00 - 12:45 - 6 th Ave & 6 th St 1:15 - 4:00 - Tipperary Park
<u>Washrooms</u> Near Registration Tent, 8 th & 8 th Royal City Centre Mall, 6 th & 6 th Hyack Festival Office, 204 6 th St Tipperary Park, Royal & Queens Queens Park Public Facilities	<u>Float Judging</u> 8:45-10:00, Assembly Area <u>Band and Marcher Judging</u> 11:00 start, takes place while the parade in progress	<u>Festival in the Park</u> 1:00-4:00 Tipperary Park Entertainment, Vendors, Kid Zone, Pet Zone, Food Trucks & More

2. RULES & REGULATIONS. An orderly and safe parade

1. First and foremost, **HAVE FUN!** Participants are encouraged to smile, wave, sing, dance, laugh and have a good time. The community will be attending to see you and engaging them makes the experience more fun for everyone.
2. **ALL PARTICIPANTS** must adhere to all Rules and Regulations to participate in the parade. These rules have been designed to ensure the safety of the participants and spectators to ensure the best presentation of the parade participants. The Hyack Festival Association reserves the right to approve or deny entry of any participant.
3. **PARADE OFFICIALS.** Participants must heed the instructions of the Parade Marshal and the Street Marshals. Any refusal to follow instructions or abuse will not be tolerated and the Parade Marshal or other parade officials may remove your entry from the parade if this should occur.
4. **PARADE ORDER.** All participants must remain in parade order. The announcing scripts are synced to the parade order and there isn't enough time to resort them when the parade is in motion. Parade numbers must be displayed on the right side of your entry so that you can be readily identified.
5. **POLITICAL MESSAGES.** No political messages or literature is allowed.
6. **CHILDREN.** All children under 10 must be closely supervised at all times.
7. **HANDOUTS.**
 - a. The City of New Westminster Bylaws prohibit the throwing of candy or other items to spectators for safety reasons,
 - b. Any handouts to the spectators must be preapproved by Hyack **by April 30, 2024**,
 - c. Any pre-approved handouts must be handed directly to the spectators and the parties handing out the items must walk beside the curb to ensure that children do not run out and to discourage spectators from leaving the sidewalk.
 - d. Edible treats are discouraged and must contain no allergens.

3. REGISTRATION TENT. Check-in 8:00-10:00 AM

- **CHECK IN AT THE REGISTRATION TENT** to receive your **Parade Number** and **Parade Day Info Kit**.
Easiest access is on 8th Street
- Your entry must **BE IN POSITION** no later than 10:00.

1. PARADE PLACEMENT NUMBER

LAMINATED PARADE NUMBERS MUST BE DISPLAYED on the right side of your entry for identification by parade officials and announcers. Tape will be attached to your entry number.



ON YOUR PARADE FLOAT



ON YOUR HEADLIGHT



ON YOUR BANNER

2. PARADE PACE & GAP MONITORING. The logistics of producing a parade

Parades are fun for the participants and the spectators. Producing a really good parade requires that the participants have an awareness of several important factors.

1. NO STOPPING TO PERFORM. When a parade stops, it is hard to get it restarted.

- Restarting a parade is difficult because all the entries behind it must start up again too, and there is a time lag. This is much like starting a train. It takes a lot of time to get it going.

2. MAINTAIN A CONSISTENT PACE. Large gaps create dead-spots.

- You must maintain a gap of 30 feet or 10 metres from the entry in front of you
- A consistent pace is required to avoid “dead spots” in a parade.
- When an entry gets too far from the entry in front of them, the entry behind must run to close the gap. For marching bands, it is not always possible to close a gap.
- The gap must be monitored and adjusted throughout the parade

3. NO BUNCHING UP. When entries get too close, the parade goes too fast.

- If the entry in front of you stops, you must stop immediately to maintain the gap!

- When entries bunch up, the parade goes too fast. The announcers don't have enough time to read the scripts and the spectators don't have enough time to enjoy the entries. When this happens, the participants are not fully appreciated either.

4. NO SPREADING OUT. Stay compact to avoid diluting your entry and creating a dull spot

- When entries spread out it creates a dull spot, which also slows the parade and makes too long.
- All participants must be sufficiently fit to maintain the parade pace. If your entry spreads out because there are walkers that cannot keep up, the entry behind you will hang back and create a gap. Those walkers that cannot keep up must withdraw from the parade and watch from the sidewalk.

3. PARADE TIPS. How to make your entry memorable

Participants are encouraged to smile, wave, sing, dance, laugh and have a good time. The community will be attending to see you and engaging them makes the experience more fun for everyone.

Since you can't see your entry, we offer these tips to make your entry more visually appealing and memorable to the spectators!

- **COSTUMES & COLOUR.** Have more impact with the spectators
 - Consider a uniform look with everyone wearing the same colour or colours.
- **ACCESSORIES.** Use funny hats, sunglasses and T-shirts.
 - There are many inexpensive options available at PartyCity, the Dollar Store and online.
- **PROPS.** There are many ordinary things that can be used
 - Balloons, umbrellas, lunch kits, baby buggies, rolling luggage, lawnmowers, walkers, briefcases, vacuum cleaners, shopping carts can all be used. Have fun being creative!
- **USE HUMOUR.** It will make your entry stand out!
 - Everyone has a good time when they are laughing
- **MARCHING STYLE.** Spectators love synchronized marching routines.
 - Simple mini dance routines or synchronized marching routines make you stand out.
 - Routines don't have to be lengthy. A few moments when everyone does the same thing looks great.
- **MAINTAIN LINE FORMATIONS.** They look sharp and make you stand out
 - Make a plan to walk in lines and assign someone to monitor how you look.

- **STAY IN THE CENTRE OF THE ROAD.** It is easy to wander to one side of the road
 - Use the centre line as a guide and monitor yourselves.
- **SMILE AND WAVE, REST AND REPEAT.**
 - It is fun and fulfilling for everyone when you smile and wave to the spectators.
- **ENGAGE THE SPECTATORS.** Clap and the spectators will join in.
 - If you have music, periodically clap to the music to engage the spectators.

4. PARKING.

- **ASSEMBLY PARKING:** Please park to the west of the Assembly Area. There is parking on London, Dublin & Edinburgh Streets West of 10th Street.
- **DISPERSAL PARKING:** Queens Park lot. Access off 1st Street at 4th Avenue
- **BUSES.** Participants may be dropped off at the Registration area at 8th and 8th. Buses should then proceed to the dispersal area in Queens Park. Enter off 1st Street at 3rd Avenue. Turn right into the Bus Parking Area.

5. DISPERSAL AREA

- The dispersal is in Queen's Park.
- **DO NOT STOP when you enter the dispersal area.** You must keep moving forward or you will stop the parade progress. Please keep right so traffic can leave the park.
- Your **laminated parade number signs** and **magnetic signs (if applicable)** will be collected there.
- Water is available in front of the Arena.
- Shuttles back to the parade start are at First Street & Emory

6. OVERNIGHT FLOAT PARKING & SECURITY

- **STORAGE & ASSEMBLY.** You may use the parking lot behind the Queen's Park Arena. Enter from 1st Street & 3rd Avenue
- **SECURITY.** On site security behind the Arena will be in effect from Friday 6:00 PM to Saturday 6:00 AM
- **OVERNIGHT PARKING.** Trucks & trailers may park in the lot on Friday and Saturday nights. Note, there will be no security on Saturday night.
- **POLICE ESCORT TO STAGING.** All floats must be ready by 8:00 AM on Saturday morning to be police escorted to the Assembly Area. See map for details.
- **FLOAT JUDGING.** The judges will start out at 8:45 AM.
- **TROPHIES.** The float trophies will be presented at the parade start. The parade will be stopped for a very short time to present trophies and take photos. Drivers will then need to catch up to avoid parade gaps that exceed 10 metres (30 feet.)

7. SITE MAPS



Hyack International Parade Site Map May 25 2024

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Parking

Assembly Area - Keep the street open for emergency vehicle access



Parade Assembly Area Site Map

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