



Burnie Christmas Parade 2026

Terms and Conditions of Participation and Entry

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Event: Burnie Christmas Parade 2026

Date: Friday, 11 December 2026

Organiser: Burnie City Council

Event Manager: Burnie City Council or its authorised representatives

1. Acceptance of Terms and Conditions

By submitting an entry to participate in the Burnie Christmas Parade, the entrant, including any participating organisation, community group, school, business, individual, driver, performer, passenger, volunteer or other person associated with the entry, agrees to comply with these Terms and Conditions and all reasonable directions issued by Burnie City Council, the Event Manager, parade officials, emergency services and authorised personnel.

Submission of an entry does not guarantee acceptance into the Parade. Burnie City Council reserves the right to approve, refuse or modify an entry where it considers this necessary for the safety, suitability or successful operation of the event.

2. Eligibility and Entry

Entries must be submitted by the closing date specified by Burnie City Council.

Entrants must provide all information requested on the entry form, including:

- Name of individual, organisation, community group or school;
- Contact details for the nominated representative;
- Description of the entry;
- Number and type of vehicles involved;
- Approximate overall length of the entry;
- Number of participants;
- Driver details, where applicable;
- Any special requirements or considerations; and
- Any other information reasonably requested by Burnie City Council.

Entrants must ensure that the information provided is accurate and remains current.

3. Entry Approval

Burnie City Council reserves the right to:

- Accept or decline an entry;
- Request additional information or documentation;
- Place conditions on an entry;
- Determine the position and order of entries within the Parade;
- Limit the size, length, height or number of vehicles or participants in an entry;
- Require changes to an entry where necessary for safety, traffic management or event operations; and
- Remove an entry from the Parade where the entrant does not comply with these Terms and Conditions.

4. Participant Responsibilities

The nominated entrant or organisation is responsible for ensuring that all persons participating in or associated with their entry are aware of and comply with these Terms and Conditions.

Entrants are responsible for the behaviour and conduct of their participants, volunteers and representatives while attending and participating in the Parade.

All participants must follow reasonable directions from Burnie City Council, Parade officials, traffic controllers, security personnel, emergency services and other authorised personnel.

5. Vehicles and Drivers

All vehicles participating in the Parade must:

- Be registered and legally permitted to operate on Tasmanian roads;
- Be roadworthy and maintained in a safe operating condition;
- Be operated by a suitably licensed driver;
- Comply with all applicable road rules and traffic requirements;
- Maintain a safe speed and appropriate distance from other Parade entries;
- Follow the designated Parade route and directions provided by authorised personnel; and
- Have adequate supervision and control of passengers where applicable.

Drivers are responsible for the safe operation of their vehicle at all times. Drivers must not consume alcohol or be affected by alcohol or any other substance while operating a vehicle as part of the Parade.

6. Floats and Trailers

All floats, trailers and other towed equipment must be securely constructed, appropriately connected to the towing vehicle and suitable for participation in the Parade.

Entrants must ensure that:

- Decorations and structures are securely fastened;
- No part of the float creates an unreasonable risk to participants, spectators, traffic or property;
- Any electrical equipment is safely installed and operated;
- Appropriate lighting is used where required;
- Access points and exits remain clear;
- Participants can safely enter and exit the float; and
- The overall dimensions of the float are suitable for the Parade route.

Burnie City Council may require modifications to a float or vehicle before or during the Parade if a safety concern is identified.

7. Participants on Floats and Vehicles

Participants must remain in designated and safe areas of the float or vehicle while it is moving. Participants must not:

- Sit, stand or climb in unsafe locations;
- Ride on the roof, bonnet, exterior sides or other areas not designed for passengers;
- Jump from a moving vehicle or float;
- Enter or exit a moving vehicle or float;
- Approach or move between moving vehicles; or
- Behave in a manner that creates a risk to themselves or others.

Children and young people must be appropriately supervised by a responsible adult.

8. Pedestrian Participants

Walking participants must remain within the designated Parade area and follow the instructions of Parade officials.

Participants must not deliberately move into the path of vehicles or other Parade entries.

Where children are participating, the entry organiser is responsible for ensuring appropriate adult supervision.

9. Safety and Risk Management

The safety of participants, spectators, volunteers, staff and the wider community is a priority.

Entrants must immediately notify Burnie City Council or an authorised Parade official of any incident, injury, hazard, vehicle issue or other safety concern.

Participants must not undertake any activity that could reasonably be expected to cause injury, damage or unreasonable risk.

Burnie City Council may require an entry to cease participation where it considers that the entry presents a safety risk.

10. Prohibited Items and Activities

Unless expressly approved by Burnie City Council, the following are not permitted as part of a Parade entry:

- Fireworks, flares or pyrotechnics;
- Open flames or uncontrolled fire;
- Weapons or replica weapons;
- Dangerous or hazardous materials;
- Items that may create a risk to spectators or participants;
- Objects thrown from moving vehicles or floats;
- Glass or other materials that may create a hazard;
- Excessive noise or devices that may cause unreasonable disturbance;
- Unauthorised drones or remotely operated aircraft;
- Advertising or promotional material that has not been approved where approval is required; and
- Any other item or activity deemed unsafe or inappropriate by Burnie City Council.

11. Throwing Items to Spectators

For safety reasons, participants must not throw lollies, merchandise, promotional material or other objects from moving vehicles or floats into the crowd.

Where approved by Burnie City Council, items may be handed directly to spectators by participants who are safely positioned and able to do so without entering the path of vehicles or creating a safety risk.

12. Alcohol, Drugs and Smoking

Alcohol must not be consumed by drivers or participants while they are actively participating in the Parade where doing so would compromise safety or compliance with the law.

Participants must not participate while affected by alcohol or illicit drugs.

Smoking and vaping must comply with applicable legislation and any restrictions imposed by Burnie City Council or the event site.

13. Advertising and Branding

Commercial, promotional or sponsorship material may be included in an entry where permitted by Burnie City Council.

Entrants must not display material that is offensive, discriminatory, defamatory, obscene or otherwise inappropriate for a community family event.

Burnie City Council reserves the right to request the removal or amendment of any signage, branding or promotional material.

14. Political Material

The Burnie Christmas Parade is a community event. Political campaigning, promotional material or signage must comply with any requirements communicated by Burnie City Council.

Burnie City Council reserves the right to refuse or remove material considered inappropriate for the Parade or inconsistent with the event's purpose and requirements.

15. Photography and Filming

By participating in the Burnie Christmas Parade, entrants and participants acknowledge that photography, video and other recordings may take place throughout the event.

Images or recordings may be used by Burnie City Council for event documentation, reporting, promotional purposes, social media, publications and future Council communications.

Entrants are responsible for obtaining any necessary permissions from participants within their entry, including parents or guardians where required.

16. Insurance and Licences

Entrants are responsible for ensuring that they hold any licences, registrations, permits, approvals or insurance required for their participation and activities.

This may include, where applicable:

- Vehicle registration;
- Driver licences;
- Public liability insurance;
- Electrical approvals;
- Food registrations or approvals; and
- Any other relevant licence, permit or approval.

Burnie City Council may request evidence of relevant documentation where reasonably required.

17. Damage and Loss

Entrants are responsible for their own property, vehicles, equipment, costumes, decorations and other belongings.

Entrants are responsible for any damage caused by their entry, participants, vehicles, equipment or activities to Council property, event infrastructure or third-party property, to the extent permitted by law.

Burnie City Council accepts no responsibility for loss of or damage to an entrant's property except to the extent required by law.^a

18. Indemnity

To the extent permitted by law, entrants agree to indemnify and hold harmless Burnie City Council, its officers, employees, contractors, volunteers and authorised representatives from claims, losses, damages, costs or expenses arising from the entrant's participation in the Parade, including the actions or omissions of the entrant, its participants, volunteers, vehicles or equipment.

Nothing in these Terms and Conditions excludes, restricts or modifies any rights or obligations that cannot lawfully be excluded, restricted or modified.

19. Directions and Removal from the Parade

Burnie City Council, Parade officials and authorised personnel may direct an entrant or participant to:

- Stop or slow their vehicle;
- Move to a designated location;
- Modify or cease an activity;
- Remove an unsafe item;
- Leave the Parade route; or
- Withdraw from the Parade.

Entrants and participants must comply with reasonable directions immediately.

Failure to comply may result in removal from the Parade and may affect eligibility to participate in future Council events.

20. Weather and Other Circumstances

Burnie City Council reserves the right to delay, alter, suspend, relocate or cancel the Parade due to adverse weather, emergencies, safety concerns, road conditions, government or emergency service directions, or any other circumstance beyond Council's reasonable control.

Where the Parade is cancelled or substantially changed, Burnie City Council will communicate relevant information to registered entrants as soon as reasonably practicable.

21. Parade Route and Assembly

Entrants must arrive at the designated assembly area at the allocated time provided by Burnie City Council.

Entrants must remain in their allocated position and follow instructions regarding vehicle movements, staging and Parade commencement.

Vehicles and floats must not leave the designated route unless directed by an authorised person or required for an emergency.

22. Clean-Up and Environmental Responsibilities

Entrants are responsible for removing their own rubbish, decorations, materials and equipment following participation.

Entrants must not intentionally release materials into the environment or onto the Parade route, including confetti, balloons or other items that may create a litter or safety issue, unless specifically approved by Burnie City Council.

23. Complaints and Incidents

Any concerns, complaints or incidents relating to an entry should be reported to Burnie City Council or the Event Manager as soon as practicable.

Council may investigate any reported incident or breach and may request further information from the entrant.

24. Breach of Conditions

Where an entrant or participant breaches these Terms and Conditions, Burnie City Council may:

- Issue a warning or direction;
- Require the entrant to rectify the breach;
- Remove the entrant or participant from the Parade;
- Refuse future participation; or
- Take any other action available to Council under applicable legislation or regulations.

25. Acceptance of Conditions

By submitting an entry to the Burnie Christmas Parade, the entrant confirms that they have read, understood and agree to comply with these Terms and Conditions of Participation and Entry.

The entrant also confirms that they will communicate these requirements to all participants, drivers, passengers, volunteers and other persons involved in their entry.

Burnie City Council reserves the right to amend these Terms and Conditions where reasonably necessary for the safe and effective delivery of the Burnie Christmas Parade.