

## ARNOLD MILLS PARADE and ROAD RACE RULES AND REGULATIONS

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1. Participation in the Arnold Mills Fourth of July Parade/Road Race is by registration only. Groups interested in participating may contact the Arnold Mills Parade Association at PO Box 7473, Cumberland, RI 02864 or download information through its website [www.arnoldmillsparade.com](http://www.arnoldmillsparade.com). The committee will eject any group that attempts to participate without the permission of the Parade Association.
2. All control of the parade/road race is vested in the Arnold Mills Parade Association, a not-for-profit organization. Authorization for such control is granted by the Cumberland Town Council. The Cumberland Police Department is duly authorized to enforce all rules and regulations set forth by the Association.
3. Failure to abide by the rules and regulations of the Arnold Mills Parade Association may result in denial of future participation privileges and/or immediate removal from the parade route or formation area.
4. Parade assembly is 9:30 AM. To qualify for judging, all floats must be in their division and ready to be judged by 10:00 AM.
5. The parade steps off at 11:00 AM. The parade route is approximately one and one half miles long.
6. All floats must carry a fire extinguisher which will be displayed upon demand.
7. Control must be maintained at all times with vehicles, animals and personnel.
8. All sound-equipped entries must specify the type of equipment and level of sound utilized on their float. Horns, whistles and sirens are not permitted with the exception of official vehicles.
9. No objects may be thrown or sprayed from any float (e.g. silly string, snappers, candy and water pistols). Failure to comply will result in forfeiture of participation in future parades. Help keep our children safe on the parade route!
10. Consumption of alcoholic beverages or use of controlled substances on the parade or road race routes is illegal by order of the Cumberland Police Department.
11. Vendors are authorized by the Arnold Mills Parade Association and are to display their authorization signs. Police will remove unlicensed vendors.
12. All divisions are under the direction of the division marshal. Stopping to play or perform is not permitted.
13. Units must complete the entire parade or they will be disqualified and any awards and/or compensation may be forfeited.
14. A request of the Association and parade patrons is that the year and model of any antique or custom car/truck/tractor be prominently displayed on the front or both sides of the vehicle.
15. Late arrivals will be assigned a place in a division at the discretion of the Parade Formation Chairperson.
16. All participants must register at the registration desk upon arrival. The registration desk for the parade is located at the Cumberland/Massachusetts line (opens at 9:00 AM). The registration desk for the road race is located at the North Cumberland Fire Station (opens at 7:45 AM).
17. ***No parking is permitted on the parade or road race routes.*** Violators will be towed at the owner's expense. Police will take notice.

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**Traffic:** Vehicle traffic on Nate Whipple Highway will be closed twice during the holiday festivities: at approximately 8:50 AM for the 9:00 AM Road Race and at approximately 10:30 AM for the 11:00 AM parade. All traffic on Nate Whipple will be closed for the duration of the parade.

**Parking:** Parking for the road race and parade is available at the Community School on Arnold Mills Road. **No parking is permitted along the parade or road race routes.** Neighborhood parking is available: please be considerate of our neighbors and do not block driveways or park in business' parking lots that may be open for the holiday.

**Handicapped Parking:** Handicapped parking (stickered vehicles only) is located behind the Lafayette Lodge on Nate Whipple Highway.

**Restrooms:** Port-a-Johns are available at various sites along both road race and parade routes.

**First Aid:** First aid is available at the North Cumberland Fire Station and through contact through parade personnel or police personnel located along the parade route.

**HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE HOLIDAY**