

DEPARTMENT 90 - CHELSEA FAIR PARADE

1:00 P.M., Saturday

Chelsea Area Fire Authority

Superintendent: Scott Basar, 475-8755

ROUTE: West on E. Middle St. starting at S. East St. to south on Main St. to west on Old U.S. 12 ending at Old Manchester Rd.

GENERAL RULES

1. All barricades go up at 12:00 noon. The parade begins at 1:00 p.m.
2. Parade participants may start to lineup at 10:00 a.m., no earlier.
3. All parade participants must comply with the general rules and regulations set forth by the Chelsea Community Fair listed within this book.
4. Floats and Fair Queen candidates wishing to be judged must be completed, in place, with their judging card filled out and in hand by 11:00 a.m. Floats and Fair Queen candidates not ready at 11:00 am may not be judged.
5. All other parade participants (excluding horses and horse drawn vehicles) must be completed and in place by 12:30 pm.
6. Horses and horse drawn vehicles are to lineup on the north side of Park Street between East Street and Main Street facing east at 12:30 p.m. All riders are to keep their horses on the roadway. All horses must behaviorally and medically parade suitable.
7. All parade participants must park as close to the parade participant ahead of them as safely possible leaving driveways open.
8. **All floats and Fair Queen candidates are required to get a permit by the Thursday before the parade. Permits are obtained by visiting the Chelsea Area Fire Authority at 200 W. Middle St., Chelsea, MI 48118.**
9. Alcohol is NOT permitted during the lineup and/or the duration of the parade. Failure to follow this rule will result in immediate removal and that parade participant will not be permitted to participate in the parade indefinitely. A letter will also be sent to the Fair Board notifying them of the violation.
10. Any delay caused by a parade participant during the lineup or duration of the parade will result in immediate removal and that parade participant may not be allowed in the parade the following year.
11. Any candy thrown shall **not** have any sticks and must be thrown completely to the curb.
12. A port-a-john will be located at the northwest corner of Park St and East St.

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13. No bicycles are allowed in the parade.
14. An able driver must remain with each vehicle at all times, in case movement is required during line-up, and maintain a clear view of the parade route during the parade.
15. All hitches are to have a safety pin or nut and safety chains in place.
16. Parade participants utilizing a generator must have accessibility to a 5 lb ABC type fire extinguisher. The exhaust on the generator must be in a direction away from any participants.
17. A safety inspection will be conducted during the parade line-up. Any safety violations must be corrected or will result in immediate removal.

FLOAT RULES

1. The vehicle used to tow the float must be in place when the float lines up.
2. No vehicles, aside from the float tow vehicle, allowed on Park St between East St and Madison St.
3. All floats must be assembled on either a farm wagon or flatbed trailer able to be towed.
4. Any participants who are part of the float theme must be with the float at the time of judging.
5. Float prize winners' pictures will be posted on the CAFA website (www.ChelseaFire.org/) within one week after the parade and are divided into two classes:

<u>Class No.</u>	<u>Description:</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>
90505	Adult Float	\$70	\$55	\$45	\$35 (Firemen Award)
90506	Youth Float	\$70	\$55	\$45	\$35 (Firemen Award)

PARADE RULES FOR DEMO DERBY VEHICLES

1. All demo derby vehicles must be secured to the trailer and have their battery disconnected from the vehicle. If not, a Firefighter will disconnect the battery with cable cutters, no exceptions.
2. At no time shall a demo derby vehicle be started during the parade. Failure to follow this rule will result in immediate removal and that parade participant will not be permitted to participate in the parade, indefinitely. A letter will also be sent to the Fair Board notifying them of the violation.

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LINE-UP POSITIONS

1. Directional signs will be posted in order to aid participants to their line-up positions.
2. The following is the line-up of the start of the parade on East St. starting at E. Middle St. to Harrison St. facing north: **CPD, Honor Guards, CAFA, Parade Marshall, Fair Board, Fair Queen (current) and Fair Queen (past).**
3. **School bands** are to form in the alley of the municipal parking lot off of East St.
4. **Emergency vehicles**, excluding CPD and CAFA, are to line up on the north side of Harrison St., between East St. and Madison St., facing west.
5. **Antique vehicles** are to line up on the south side of Harrison St., between East St. and Madison St., facing west.
6. **City Officials, CAFA Board, police vehicles (excluding CPD), and any other awards recipients** are to line up on each side of East St., between Harrison St. and Park St., facing north, leaving a center lane open for traffic flow.
7. **Floats** are to line up on each side of Park St., between East St. and Madison St., facing west, leaving a center lane open for traffic flow.
8. **Horses and horse drawn vehicles** are to line up on the north side of Park St., between East St. and the municipal parking lots facing east.
9. **Marching groups**, excluding school bands, not accompanied by a float or vehicle may form up near the intersection of East St. and Park St.
10. **All other parade participants** not covered above may line up on each side of the following streets, leaving a center lane open for traffic flow: Jefferson St. facing west, Adams St. facing west, and East St. facing north from Park St., south.

NOTE: For additional information about the parade, contact CAFA at (734)475-8755.