

Krewe of Lafitte's

2025 Illuminated Mardi Gras Parade



When: Friday, February 28, 2025

Start Time: 7:30 P.M.

**Where: Staging on Spring Street
Parade is on Garden and Palafox Streets
Pensacola, Florida**

**The Krewe of Lafitte's Illuminated Mardi Gras Parade will stage on
Spring St., North of Main St. ALL UNITS MUST CHECK IN NO
LATER THAN 6:30 P.M.**

****Parade rolls rain or shine. No refunds are offered****

****ALL MOVING VEHICLES MUST BE INSURED****

**The parade will follow the standard parade route provided by
The City of Pensacola**

**If you represent a radio or television station please let your audience
know you will be there!!!**

**A registration fee may be required for large walking units.
TO CONFIRM YOUR PARTICIPATION AND RESERVE
YOUR POSITION IN THE PARADE - FIRST COME, FIRST
SERVE. PLEASE GET YOUR APPLICATION IN EARLY.**

If you have any questions please contact:

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General Information:

The Mardi Gras season is upon us again and it is time to put together the **Krewe of Lafitte's 2025 Illuminated Mardi Gras Parade.**

THEME: Mardi Gras at Night

WHY SHOULD I ENTER? First, everybody loves a parade. Also, this is a great opportunity to expose your business or organization to thousands of Pensacola residents and visitors. The best part is all of the smiles.

PARADE ROUTE: Standard City of Pensacola Parade Route. Garden and Palafox Streets.

LINE-UP: Report to the corner of Main and Spring Streets for check in. Check in with **Parade Coordinator** no later than 6:30 P.M. on Friday February 28, 2025. Parade will stage on Spring Street south of Garden Street.

LINE-UP IS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PARADE COORDINATOR AND IS FINAL!

DEADLINE: All applications must be received no later than January 31, 2025

FEES: Entry fee \$400 First entry, \$200 for each additional unit.

SAFETY SPOTTERS: 2 safety spotters are required per axle. This also includes the pull vehicle. Safety spotters are to be placed on either side of the vehicle for the purpose of safety. (Their job is to keep the crowd and children away from the vehicles, not to throw items).

NO VEHICLE WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARADE WITHOUT THE APPROPRIATE NUMBER OF SAFETY SPOTTERS. ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS!

*****ALL SAFETY SPOTTERS MUST BE 18 YEARS OLD OR OLDER*****

FLOAT PARAMETERS: Max. Height = 15 ft. (head of krewe member). Max. Width = 12 ft.
Max. Length = must be able to safely maneuver parade route

THIS IS A NIGHT TIME PARADE - YOU MUST PROVIDE ILLUMINATION ON YOUR FLOAT

******* ALL MOVING VEHICLES MUST BE PROPERLY INSURED *******

KREWE OF LAFITTE ILLUMINATED PARADE OFFICIAL RULES

DEADLINE FOR COMPLETED APPLICATIONS IS JANUARY 31, 2025.

FOR QUESTIONS CONTACT: Robert Mandel 850-393-8044, 3rdvp@kreweoflafitte.com

1. Obey all instructions given by parade officials, marshals and the Pensacola Police Department.
2. No drinking of alcoholic beverages while driving before or during the parade. **IT'S THE LAW.**
3. Safety Spotters 18 years or older are required on each side of each axle. Units without the proper number of safety spotters will not be allowed to parade.

4. REMEMBER: The only animals allowed are **Law Enforcement** and **Service Animals**.
5. THROWS are STRONGLY ENCOURAGED. Throws must weigh 2oz. or less, without sharp edges. Loose paper, confetti or brochures are prohibited by the CITY of PENSACOLA. Candy is NOT considered a safe throw item and is NOT permitted. To review City Ordinance #19-90 1 3-22-90, go to www.ci.pensacola.fl.us.
6. Following APPROVAL of your completed application, you will be provided a LINE UP NUMBER by the PARADE MARSHAL.
7. Line Up is to be entered at the corner of Main and Spring Streets ONLY, with vehicles headed north on Spring Street. Line Up begins at 5:00 p.m. late arrivals will be placed in the most convenient spot and ALL Parade Marshal DECISIONS ARE FINAL.
8. It is the responsibility of your organization to have all participants on your float at 7:30 p.m. SHARP. Your float will not be allowed to wait for tardy participants.
9. On parade day, the driver and the vehicle must be the same as the information you have submitted. If there is a change, we must be notified, and all pertinent documentation (copy of license and proof of vehicle insurance) must be provided at check in. Drivers (or vehicle key) must stay with their vehicle during lineup, in case of emergency.
10. PHOTO/AUDIO/VIDEO RELEASE. By submitting an application to Krewe of Lafitte's 2025 Illuminated Mardi Gras Parade, the applicant, and/or all Krewes, Businesses or Groups participating in the parade hereby irrevocably agrees and consents that his/her photograph, picture, film, video digital or audio recordings, images, likenesses, comments and any reproductions thereof, taken or made by or on behalf of Krewe of Lafitte, may in any manner be used, published, displayed, dealt in and copyrighted by Krewe of Lafitte or its successors and assigns, and by any other person, corporation or association duly authorized by Krewe of Lafitte , without any restriction or limitation, for advertising and trade of every kind and any other purpose. This release is applicable now and, in the future, and cannot be revoked by applicant. It is understood and agreed that said photograph, picture, film, video, digital or audio recordings, images, likenesses, comments and any reproductions thereof, as well as any materials connected there with and the rights arising therefrom and thereunder, are the exclusive property of Krewe of Lafitte and will not be entitled to any revenues, credits, or royalties pertaining thereto. This release shall be binding upon heirs, next of kin and personal representatives.

Submit only a completed application - insurance requirements WILL NOT be waived, a copy of your insurance or declarations page which indicates your policy is active on the date of the parade is adequate. ALL units (cars, vans, trucks and floats) associated with your organization must provide the insurance information.

Fees are as follows: \$400.00 for the first unit and \$200.00 fee each additional unit.

Upon approval of your complete application you will be notified and given further instructions for parade day.

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2025 ILLUMINATED MARDI GRAS PARADE APPLICATION

(PLEASE PRINT)

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: _____ CONTACT PERSON: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PRIMARY PHONE: _____ ALTERNATE PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

NUMBER OF UNITS: _____

TYPE OF ENTRY: FLOAT/S _____ CAR/S _____ BAND _____ MARCHING UNIT _____ OTHER _____

MUSIC: YES _____ NO _____ NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: _____ NO. OF AXLES: _____ NO. OF SPOTTERS: _____

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ENTRY: _____

State law requires each operator of a towing vehicle be responsible for seeing that their trailer is properly secured and safety chains are provided (Florida Statute 316.530).

Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement

In exchange for the right to participate in the Krewe of Lafitte Illuminated Mardi Gras Parade ("the Parade"), the undersigned, a duly authorized representative of _____, an organization participating in the Parade ("the Organization") agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Krewe of Lafitte and related entities, all agents and volunteers of said organizations from any claim of whatever kind or nature arising out of activities of the undersigned's Organization related to the Parade. This indemnification and hold harmless agreement shall be governed in all respects under the laws of the State of Florida.

(Name of organization) _____ Authorized Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Date: _____

INSURANCE (Copy of Certificate required with application)

COMPANY: _____ POLICY NO.: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

KREWE OF LAFITTE ILLUMINATED MARDI GRAS PARADE APPLICATION PROCEDURE

***** \$400 Fee for First Entry -- \$200 for Additional Entries *****

1. Complete and return application before January 31, 2025—The Parade is February 28, 2025 @ 7:30pm
2. The signed Liability Disclaimer must accompany each application.
3. **Insurance requirements:** *Commercial General Liability Insurance Certificate is required. The Krewe of Lafitte Inc. must be listed as additional insured entities. --- Automobile Insurance is required for all licensed motor vehicles participating in the parade.
4. A Certificate of Insurance or a copy of the declarations page on your Commercial General Liability policy must be provided to **The Krewe of Lafitte Inc.** evidencing required insurance.
5. A complete application consists of ALL the following documents:
() Application () Liability Waiver () Written Description, or Photo of Entry () Entry Fee () provide your float pullers names () Copy of float pullers vehicle insurance.

Application is not accepted without ALL documents.

Mail Application to:

KREWE of LAFITTE
Post Office Box 1441
Pensacola, Florida 32591

or email your application to:

3rdVP@kreweoflafitte.com

YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED BY A KREWE OF LAFITTE BOARD MEMBER WHEN YOUR PARADE APPLICATION HAS BEEN APPROVED. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED AND MAY CAUSE YOUR APPLICATION TO BE TOO LATE FOR ACCEPTANCE!
THANK YOU!!!!!!

LIABILITY WAIVER:

I, the undersigned, in consideration of my or my organization's participation in the **Krewe of Lafitte** Illuminated Mardi Gras Parade do hereby release and discharge the Organization known as **KOL** and their respective elected officials, officers, directors, employees, volunteers, partners, and contractors, jointly and severally, from any and all liability for personal injury accident, illness, death, property damage, or other occurrence which I, or members of my organization, may suffer in any manner whatsoever arising out of or resulting from participation in the **Krewe of Lafitte** Illuminated Mardi Gras parade. I and/or my organization, expressly assume ALL risks of my/my organization's participation in the **Krewe of Lafitte** Illuminated Mardi Gras Parade, including, without limitation, injury as a result of the acts of omission of the above parties or some defect in or on their property of any of them, whether caused by negligence or otherwise, except for illness and injury resulting directly from solely gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Organization known as **KOL**. I agree to indemnify, save, hold harmless and defend the Organization known as **KOL**, officials, officers, directors, employees, volunteers, partners, and contractors, of and from any and all loss, damages, expenses, costs, and attorney's fees arising out of or resulting from my/my organization's participation in the **Krewe of Lafitte** Illuminated Mardi Gras parade. I certify that any vehicle(s) which will be driven by me or my organization in the **Krewe of Lafitte** Illuminated Mardi Gras parade has vehicle insurance which conforms to Florida State Law and that each driver(s) of motor vehicle(s) has a current valid license.

A representative from each Krewe/group is required to sign the Parade Application accepting responsibility for the actions of the entire Krewe/group. By signing the Parade Application, the representative agrees to the 2025 Krewe of Lafitte Illuminated Parade Rules and Regulations. Representative further agrees that he/she has provided a copy of the 2025 Krewe of Lafitte Illuminated Parade Rules and Regulations to everyone in the Krewe/group including the driver of the tow vehicle. All drivers must attend a safety meeting prior to the parade.

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE, AND THAT, IF SIGNING ON BEHALF OF AN ORGANIZATION, I AM AN AUTHORIZED AGENT OF SAID ORGANIZATION WITH THE POWER TO BIND AND CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF SAID ORGANIZATION.

Authorized Entry Representative

***Signature:** _____ **Date:** _____

Printed Name: _____