

JACKSON COUNTY HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION

PARADE RIDING GUIDELINES

These guidelines have been adopted to help keep members safe while riding in parades and in consideration of liability issues for both JCHA and the parade sponsors. Remember, you are representing JCHA in the parade, and you should uphold the standards of JCHA.

- Only current members in good standing are eligible to ride in parades.
- Report to the parade starting point at 9:00am if you are riding. We need to be lined up by 10:00am, the parade does not start until 11:00am, but you need to get a parking spot, unload and get your horse ready. This allows plenty of time to saddle, wrap your horse's legs and attach your parade sash. And, to allow your horse to settle in before the parade starts.
- Keep a distance of six (6) feet between you and the rider in front of you. Keep a distance of three (3) to four (4) feet between the rider beside you and crowd.
- Riders 17 and under must wear a riding helmet.
- No stallions allowed.
- Members must wear JCHA logo gold or royal blue colored shirt (t-shirt or sweatshirt), long pants and **heeled boots. No tennis shoes or sandals.**
- Members should ride at a walk, maintaining the appropriate distance between riders. No trotting, galloping, trick riding, etc. Pay attention to the horses in front of you and anticipate the next stopping point.
- If your horse acts up (nervous, rearing, bucking, running into other horses, etc.) you must get off your horse and walk. This is for your safety as well as those around you. There will be several walking attendants to assist.
- **NO throwing** anything from your horse, including candy.
- **NO smoking** while waiting lined up and in the parade.
- Safety and common sense should prevail.
- **Above all, relax, smile, wave and HAVE FUN!!!**

Directions to the staging area for horse trailers: Take McAndrews west over the overpass over railroad tracks. Go left on Summit at the stop light, then first left onto W. Clark St. Go 3 long blocks, street goes right, then left again. Parking is along the railroad tracks on the right side. (This is the **ONLY** way to the staging area as downtown access is closed off very early in the morning).