SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2018
Parade Time begins at 6:00PM

Deadline to submit entry form is Tuesday, February 13, 2018

PLEASE PRINT
Organization Name: ____________________________________________

Contact Person: _______________________________________________

Telephone: (    ) ______________(    ) ______________(    ) ______________ (    ) ___________
WORK FAX HOME MOBILE

Mailing Address: ______________________________________________

City _________________________State______ Zip___________ E-Mail_____________________

We wish to enter the City of El Centro Mardi Gras Light Parade in the following category: (MARK ONE ONLY)

FLOATS: Commercial (Business)  EQUESTRIAN GROUPS:

Public Service Organizations
Youth Organizations
Religious Groups
Service Organizations

Singles
Groups of 2 - 4
Groups of 5 +

BANDS:

Baton Groups:  
Marching Groups/ Drill Teams: 

CARS:

Individual
Car clubs # of vehicle


1. **NO THROWING CANDY** and no shooting spectators with silly string or water (Super Soakers, etc.). Violators are subject to disqualification and ejection from parade. If you want to distribute candy or other items to sectors, someone from your entry must walk alongside and **HAND** it to them.

2. **Deadline** to submit your entry forms Tuesday, February 13, 2018.

3. Parade will be held on **Saturday, February 17, 2018**. There is no **rain date**. Parade will begin 6:00pm.

4. **Judging** of the float entries will be done from **4:45pm to 5:30pm**, in the staging area. **All floats** being judged must be in position and **ready for inspection by 4:30pm**. If you are **not in place and ready** when the judges come by for inspection your float, you will not be judged.

5. Floats will be judged on its **originality**, adherence to the **Mardi Gras theme** of the parade, use & amount lights, use of **animation and music** and its **over-all quality**.

6. Floats can be no taller than eleven (11) feet above street level, and must be lighted.

7. Floats should be constructed with **fire resistant** materials.

8. The organization’s **name must be clearly display** on both sides and the rear of the float. If the judges cannot identify an entry, it will no to be judged.

9. **All Drivers must be licensed.** You must have proof of liability vehicle insurance for each vehicle.

10. It is the responsibility of parents and/or guardians of the children participating in parade to make necessary arrangements to have children met and picked-up at designated points.

11. **No excessive loud music or sound is permitted. Only** Mardi Gras themed music may be played.
12. All parade entries lit with lights, and must be decorated to reflect the Mardi Gras theme of the parade.

13. **No flashing allowed**

14. All vehicular entries shall proceed at a safe and appropriate speed, maintain a safe distance from spectators and shall not weave from side to side.

15. Pageant winners are welcomed but must provide their own transportation.

16. **No one will get on or off a float or entry once it has started down parade route.**

17. **No alcoholic beverages on any parade entry at any time before or during the parade!!!**
   Any entry found with any alcoholic beverage will be removed from parade immediately.

18. **Marching and walking entries must be preceded by marchers carrying a banner or sign to indicate the name of their organization.**

19. Once you enter the line of march, there is **ABSOLUTELY NO STOPPING** for any reason.

20. There must be an **adult** on any entry that has **children**. We ask that all adults, children and walkers be in costume pertaining to their entry.

21. For Safety purposes, it recommended that helmets be worn by all riders of bicycles, skateboards, inline skates, scooters (motorized or not), motorcycles, etc.

22. **Horse Entry Policy**: All entries must be people and crowd experienced and safe for all concerned.

23. All entrants must have a complete list of names of names of all participants in their unit. Parade participants should ask their own insurance agents if their insurance offers them sufficient protection while their units are in the parade.

24. Parade entrants are responsible for all vehicles connected with their entry and are responsible for any person marching with their entry.

25. The City of El Centro reserves the right to restrict, limit, accept, or reject any unit application.

26. Any entry **violating rules or behaving in an unsafe manner will be subject to immediate removal from parade** by a member of The City of El Centro, any law enforcement officer or parade worker.

27. Failure to comply with any of these rules may affect the entrant's involvement in future parades.

PARADE RULES & REGULATIONS

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR ENTRY AND FOLLOWING THESE RULES

The primary focus for The City of El Centro Mardi Gras Light Parade is to provide a safe, enjoyable & quality parade in/on the street of El Centro.

Remember we cannot control the weather. If any time leading up to or on parade day the weather/street conditions are deemed unsafe, the parade will be cancelled.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ THE RULES AND REGULATION AND AGREE TO ABIDE THEM.

The entrant signing this application hereby acknowledges they have read, understand and agree to all of the 2018 Mardi Gras Light Parade Rules & Regulations, and agrees to abide by the said Parade Rules & Regulations, when space assigned to participate. Entrant certifies that all information contained in this application is true and correct.

The above name company, individual or organization and all related individual shall indemnify and hold harmless The City of El Centro, and all related persons and entities including owners, director, management personal, employees, contractors, volunteers, agents, representatives, and attorney from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, liabilities, damages, losses, cost and expenses (including attorney feeds, court costs, and any other professional fees) or judgments arising out of, or connection with any claim, demand or action made by any third party, if such are sustained as a direct or indirect consequences of participation in the Mardi Gras Light Parade to be held in El Centro, CA.

Name of entry

Print Name                     Signature

Date

PLEASE RETURN THIS SIGNED FORM WITH APPLICATION
PARADE ENTRY FORM

Will your entry have music?   Yes / No

Will your entry be participating with another parade entrant?   Yes/ No
If yes, please provide name of the other entrant, contact person and contact phone number:

Parade Entry Description for Announcers (this section must be completed). Please print.

See attached for rules & regulations. Violation of any of the rules & regulations may result in your expulsion from the parade and possibly being banned from future parades. Please mail or bring insurance listing “City of El Centro” as additionally insured to:

City of El Centro
375 south First Street
El Centro, CA 92243
Attn: Special Events

For more information call (760) 337-3858 or (760)337-4555

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date received:______________     Approved ___________ Rejected ___________

Division #___________________ Entry #___________________