



2026 Charlotte Frontier Days Grand Parade – Charlotte, MI Saturday, September 12, 2026

Entrant Name _____

Address _____

Contact Person _____

Primary Phone Number _____ Is texting permitted? _____

Email Address _____

Is your Business/Organization Non-Profit? Yes No EIN #: _____

Please mark type of entry (check all that apply including number of animals, number of walkers, & number of vehicles)

Horse Unit # _____ Walking Unit # _____ K-9 Unit # _____ Motorized Unit # _____

Total length of entry (ft) _____ (length of the unit for staging/holding area to give adequate space)

Will anything be handed out? Yes No If yes, please list items being handed out.

(i.e.-candy, advertisement, etc.) _____

For narration by the Parade Emcees, include a legible script on a separate page and send it with your application. If no script is provided, only the name of your business, group, or individual will be announced.

Please mail the completed application with a check or money order made payable to Charlotte Frontier Days to Charlotte Frontier Days, Attention: Parade P.O. Box 68, Charlotte, MI 48813 by August 15, 2026.

Please Note: A \$40.00 Non-Sufficient Funds fee will be charged for any returned checks; electronic payments are not accepted. A late fee of \$25.00 will be charged after August 15, 2026. Placement letters with lineup information will be sent out 3 days prior to the parade.

Charlotte Frontier Days is a private organization and reserves the right to refuse parade participation to any entry that, in the judgement of the parade organizers, does not meet community standards or the mission of the Charlotte Frontier Days organization. Adult themes, nudity, racism, hate speech, or any displays that could be deemed inappropriate or controversial are prohibited. Please check with parade organizers prior to the event if there could be a question regarding your entry. If your participation is prohibited, the entry fee paid will be refunded.

It is hereby understood and agreed upon that this entry and participation is at your own risk. Charlotte Frontier Day's Inc., its directors, nor the City of Charlotte will be held liable for any accident, injury or damage resulting from your entry or participation in the parade. I have read and agree to abide by the Parade rules.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Name (Please Print)



Charlotte Frontier Days Parade Rules

1. You must arrive by **8:30 am** and be in your line-up position by **9:00 am**. There is a race every year and we do not want to interfere with the race or have the race delay the parade. The parade will begin at **10:00 am** promptly rain or shine. Please be prompt.
2. The length of your entry **MUST** be accurate. If your entry length is not accurate, you may be bumped to the end of the parade.
3. **Please respect the private property of Charlotte's residents while in the lineup. Please keep horses, motor vehicles, etc. off sidewalks and lawns. Do not leave trash or other refuse behind. Parade participants will be responsible for any damages caused to property.** Please note the parade staging areas. Streets into the staging area will be closed off, at Pleasant St., Washington St., or Cochran Ave. **NO VEHICLES** will be allowed into the staging area, except for vehicles physically in the parade or individuals that live in the staging area.
4. Anything other than candy that will be passed out must be approved by the Frontier Days Board of Directors. **If you are passing out any items (ex: Candy, water), it must be HANDED OUT and NOT THROWN. The Charlotte Police Department does monitor this.**
5. Participants with horses in their group are **REQUIRED** to provide their own waste disposal unit (pooper scoopers). **Waste entering and while waiting in the staging area is to be scooped also.** If you are unable to provide a waste disposal unit of your own, one may be provided for you by the Parade Committee **for a fee AND with advance notice.**
6. **There is a \$100.00 parade entry fee due at the same time your application is submitted.** The entry fee is waived for individuals, non-profit organizations, and sponsors of copper or above. **If your business or organization is a festival sponsor and you wish to have an entry in the parade, a parade application IS REQUIRED to be completed and submitted on time.** There is no political campaigning allowed during the parade. Any items to be given out must be approved by the Frontier Days Board. Elected officials may participate in the parade representing the constituents that elected him/her. The exception to this is during an election year. During an election year any political candidate may participate, and be allowed to campaign, for a fee. In these circumstances, the campaigning is treated as a business and the \$100.00 entry fee will be charged.
7. **If application AND payment are not received by August 15, 2026, it will be subject to an additional \$25 late fee to fit your entry into the lineup.**
8. **Any violators of the above rules WILL be pulled out of the parade.**

You will receive a confirmation letter, along with a map of the parade route once the parade lineup has been completed. The lineup will be completed when most of the applications have been received, which is usually around 3 days prior to the parade. Thank you for your participation in our festival. See you in September!
Make sure to check the parade theme to participate in the float contest. Cash prizes awarded