



Sussex County
St. Patrick's Day Parade

Dear Parade Guests:

The Sussex County St. Patrick's Day Committee, Inc. is pleased to invite you/your organization/business to participate in the Sussex County St. Patrick's Day Parade in Newton, New Jersey.

The parade begins promptly at 11:30 and invited participants and, if applicable, their pre-registered vehicles should arrive no earlier than 9:30 and no later than 10:45 on the morning of the Parade.

See parade map online for line up and directions.

When accessing On Line driving directions to the parade, it is recommended that you use 299 Spring Street, Newton, NJ 07860 as your destination address.

The following Parade “**Standards of Conduct**” are in effect for **all** parade participants. We want the Parade to be a most enjoyable experience for you, your organizations and the town of Newton. Accordingly, we strongly encourage everyone to abide by all of the “**Standards of Conduct**”.

1. All groups are encouraged to “Present an Irish Theme” in dress and/or banners, flags, floats, other vehicles etc. displayed in the Line of March. Remember, the American Flag comes first and should be flown higher than any other flag.
2. **Do not leave vehicles in schools, private and merchant's parking lots before, during and after the parade!** Illegally parked vehicles are subject to being ticketed and towed at the owner's expense. Arrangements have been made with the Town of Newton for the availability of the Park & Ride on South Park Street, located behind the Shop Rite Plaza on Route 206 where a shuttle bus to the Parade Line-Up Area is planned to begin at approximately 9:30.
3. **Use of, or public display of, alcoholic beverages are strictly PROHIBITED!**
4. **Intoxicated individuals shall not participate in the Parade!**
5. Only vehicles, pre-registered with the Parade Committee, will be permitted in the Parade Line-Up Area designated for said vehicles.
6. The use of Sirens, Air Horns or other emergency signals, or like devices are prohibited to avoid confusion if Emergency Response Vehicles in the Parade **need to** use sirens and horns, when responding to emergencies.

7. PROTECT our CHILDREN from possible HARM. For safety reasons, tossing candy and any other objects from vehicles toward the spectators along the parade route is unsafe and therefore PROHIBITED. Please designate person(s) in your organization to walk close to the spectators when distributing candy and other free items to the spectators. We all want to avoid spectators, especially children, from darting out in front of vehicles while trying to pick up candy etc.
8. The Parade Committee reserves the right to notify the appropriate authorities to recommend removal from the Line of March any persons, banners, floats, signs, etc. suspected of being inappropriate for public display in the Parade.
9. Banners, signs, floats etc. must appropriately identify the organization represented. **Political and Commercial advertising on banners, signs, floats etc. within the Line of March is PROHIBITED** in connection with our exempt status and T.V. coverage contract, except for an appropriately discreet company or organization logo where applicable.
10. Organizations participating in the parade will, upon request, be provided with a trash bag. Please use it to collect any of your trash and take it with you for proper disposal.
11. Organizations that plan to have horses or other animals that may litter the parade route shall have a designate to pick up animal droppings as a courtesy to other parade participants and to our hosts.
12. It is strongly recommended that wherever possible, parade participants carpool to the parade site. Parking, where legal, is available on the streets and at the Park & Ride on South Park Street.

There is no Rain Date. We will parade; unless notified otherwise.

Please visit our web site: <http://sussexcountynjirish.com> for further information regarding the Parade and other events scheduled.

If you have any questions, please call Dennis Harrington at (973) 827-9179. Please leave both evening and day numbers where you can be reached and someone will get back to you.

We thank you for your time and efforts to make Sussex County's St. Patrick's Day Parade an annual tradition of good fun and *Great Craic* for all!

Most Sincerely,
Dennis Harrington, Chairman

Enclosed: Application