

Bemidji Jaycees
81st Annual Water Carnival Grand Parade
Registration Form

The Bemidji Jaycees invites your organization to be in the 81st Annual Water Carnival Parade that will take place on Sunday, July 6, beginning at 1:00 p.m.

If you or your organization would like to participate in the parade, please fill out this form or register online on our website at www.bemidji-jaycees.com. **There is a \$35.00 registration fee; there is a \$15.00 fee for nonprofit organizations.** Pre-registration is required by **Monday, June 30th**, to be included in the parade. If you do not pre-register you will be placed at the end of the parade line-up and charged a registration fee of \$45.00.

Parade Guidelines:

- **NO ONE is allowed to throw anything** (candy, trinkets, samples, etc.) **to the crowd from a moving vehicle.** If you would like to hand out items to the crowd, please do so by walking.
- If you have horses or another type of animal in the parade YOU are responsible for cleaning up after your animal(s) while the parade is setting up and in progress. YOU are also responsible for any trash that you may have. Plan to bring a trash bag for your participants' water bottles or any other waste. Please help us to keep the set-up area and parade route as clean as we possibly can.
- **Every parade unit must maintain three car lengths between you and the unit in front of you.** Please remember that if you are walking in the parade that you must keep up with the motorized units. We do not recommend letting children walk in the parade unless their parent or guardian feels that they will be able to maintain the pace until the end.
- The parade will begin PROMPTLY at 1:00 p.m. Due to the size of the parade and traffic limitations, **motorized units should be in position by 11:30 a.m. Walking units should be in position by 12 p.m.** To avoid delays, please allow enough time prior to these times to set-up your organization's parade entry.
- Check-in will be at the corner of 16th Street and Minnesota Avenue near the Boys & Girls Club parking lot. **All parade units need to check in by 11:00 AM and sign or turn in our Release/Hold Harmless form.** This form is available on our website or at check-in. If you do not check in, your spot will be given away.
- There is extremely limited parking. NO PARKING will be allowed in the large field (what used to be the old Bemidji High School site) or the surrounding streets, as this space is reserved for set-up only! PLEASE carpool or have someone drop you off.
- **BE CREATIVE AND HAVE FUN!!!!** There will be recognition for the best parade entries in the following categories:
 - * Most Patriotic
 - * Most Creative
 - * Best Overall
 - * Best Youth Entry
 - * Best Non-Profit
 - * Best Commercial

Please remember that the parade is a celebration of the Fourth of July and a chance to showcase all that Bemidji has to offer! We strongly encourage decorating your float or vehicle with a patriotic theme, or any other kind of theme, to make it fun for the crowd to watch. *Make your float original so people will remember it!* **If you have any questions regarding the parade, please call Water Carnival Chairperson Missy Malone at 218-209-5335. Thank you for your participation and we look forward to having a great parade!**



81st Annual Bemidji Jaycees' Water Carnival Grand Parade Application July 6, 2025

Name of Organization or Participant

Contact Person (s) Name:

Address:

City/State:

Zip Code:

Home/Cell Phone:

Work Phone:

Best time to call:

Email:

TYPE OF ENTRY

Type of Entry (i.e. truck w/ trailer, bicycles, car:

Vehicle and/or Trailer (Total Length:

Walking/Marching – Number of participants:

Horse or Carriage:

Other Animals:

Number of Animals:

Music: YES / NO What kind (live, radio, etc.):

Other Details

CATEGORY OF ENTRY (Please check one)

<input type="checkbox"/> Local Non-Profit Organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Visiting Non-Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Car & Truck Clubs
<input type="checkbox"/> Local Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Visiting Festivals & Fairs	<input type="checkbox"/> Marching School Bands
<input type="checkbox"/> Local Non-Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> School Organizations	<input type="checkbox"/> Marching Unit
<input type="checkbox"/> Local Festivals & Fairs	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual Entries	<input type="checkbox"/> Political Candidate
<input type="checkbox"/> Visiting Non-Profit Organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Elected Official
<input type="checkbox"/> Visiting Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Mounted Groups	<input type="checkbox"/> Church Group

Please enclose the appropriate registration fee made payable to the Bemidji Jaycees:

_____ **Non-Profit Organization (\$15.00)** _____ All Others (\$35.00) _____ All Late Registration (\$45.00)

Return this form to: Bemidji Jaycees, Attn: Grand Parade, PO Box 293, Bemidji, MN 56619-0293

OFFICE USE ONLY	DATE RECEIVED	AMOUNT PAID	ENTRY NUMBER
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**81st ANNUAL BEMIDJI JAYCEES' WATER CARNIVAL
GRAND PARADE
PARTICIPATION INFORMATION
RELEASE/HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

Name of Organization or Participant: _____

Contact Person: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone (evening): _____ Date of Activity: July 6, 2025

Activity or Event: Bemidji Jaycees Water Carnival – Grand Parade

Brief Description of Entry: _____

CAUTION: Candy must NOT be thrown from the parade units. We recommend that you have participants walk beside your unit to hand any candy to parade viewers.

RELEASE/HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

In order to participate in this activity, I agree to hold the City of Bemidji, the Bemidji Jaycees, and JCI Minnesota harmless and I waive any right to make claims or lawsuits against the City of Bemidji, the Bemidji Jaycees, and JCI Minnesota, or anyone working on behalf of the City of Bemidji, the Bemidji Jaycees, and JCI Minnesota for any injuries or damages related to the alleged negligence of the City of Bemidji, the Bemidji Jaycees, or JCI Minnesota. This waiver does not apply to any injuries or damages that are the result of any willful, wanton, or intentional misconduct on the part of the City of Bemidji, the Bemidji Jaycees, or JCI Minnesota. My participation in this activity is voluntary and I understand the effect of this waiver on my legal rights.

If participant is under 18 years old, a parent/guardian must sign this form.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____