

# Benson Mule Days Parade Registration

74th Annual Benson Mule Days

Saturday, September 23, 2023

**Please PRINT all information.**

**We must have an email address to send line-up numbers.**

**All Parade Participants must sign a disclaimer form. (Page 2)**

Individual/Business/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Beauty Queen \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date or Incumbent \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Give a description of what will be in the parade (i.e. car, truck, tractor, etc.). Please list number of vehicles (i.e. truck and trailer, 2 cars, 2 trucks, etc.).

Will your entry have music or loud noise? \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Note: We provide drivers for the professional floats. \*All float riders must sign a disclaimer form (see pg. 2).**

## Parade Costs (Charges are made for entries to defray the cost of parade)

(Please check one)

- Commercial Entries Advertising a Business: Chamber Members \$85.00, Non-members \$160.00 (one vehicle only)
- Beauty Queens: \$75 per queen (Only one queen per car)
- Candidates or Elected Officials: \$105.00 per car, must supply own vehicle, and only **One Candidate** per car
- Homemade Floats: \$85/members, \$135/non-members
- Professional Floats \$475 – Contact the Chamber to choose your float design.
- Individual Entries (i.e. Antique cars, antique tractors, etc.) \$40 each
- Shrine Groups (We will donate \$250.00 for your designated charity.)
- Nonprofit groups (churches, organizations, etc.) No charge
- Dance Groups - \$75.00
- Marching Bands & ROTC Groups -No Charge

## Benson Mule Days Parade Guidelines

1. All participants should be in the parade line-up no later than **9:00 AM** on the day of the parade. Letters with your line-up number will be E-MAILED the week before.
2. **Absolutely no candy, flyers, or other items may be thrown from the parade vehicles and/or units.**
3. The Benson Mule Days Parade is a family event, and all parade entries should reflect a “family friendly” atmosphere. The Benson Area Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to refuse any entry into the parade to any individual and/or group who does not abide by this principle or the chamber feels would not represent this event in a positive and appropriate manner.
4. The parade will be held rain or shine. **All registration fees are non-refundable.**
5. Registration forms with accompanying payment should be mailed to the following address **no later than September 10, 2023.**  
**PARADE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT DATE.**

**Completed forms can be emailed to [loretta@benson-chamber.com](mailto:loretta@benson-chamber.com). Call 919-894-3825 to make payment with a credit card.**

For questions, contact the Chamber of Commerce at (919) 894-3825, fax (919) 894-1052, or email us at [Loretta@benson-chamber.com](mailto:Loretta@benson-chamber.com). For more information on Benson Mule Days, visit our web-site at [www.bensonmuledays.com](http://www.bensonmuledays.com).

**Make check payable to: Benson Area Chamber of Commerce.**

**Return by September 10, 2023 to: Benson Area Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 246, Benson, NC 27504**

Office Use Only:

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

**Waiver of Liability Form For All Mule Day Participants**  
**Everyone must sign this release form!**

**Participation in the 2023 Benson Mule Days Parade, including riders on the parade floats shall be at participants own risk. Richey Parade Floats, Rodney J. Richey, its Officers, Agents, Drivers, the Benson Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Staff and Members shall not be liable of any damages arising from personal injuries or damages sustained by participant in or during his/her active or passive participation in the parade or on the float during this event.**

**Participant assumes full responsibility for any injuries and damages, and does hereby release and discharge Richey Parade Floats, Rodney J. Richey, its Officers, Agents, and Drivers, The Benson Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, staff, and members from any and all claims, demands, damage, rights or causes of action present or future resulting from participation in the parade or on the parade float held during the 2023 Benson Parade.**

**This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.**

**Signature**

**Print Name**

**BENSON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERECE, INC.**  
**Board of Directors, Staff and Members**

**RICHEY PARADE FLOATS**  
**Rodney J. Richey**