



W. BEECH ST.

Annual
Long Beach Electric Light Parade
Participant Packet

Saturday, December 13, 2025

Line-up Begins at 4:30pm – Parade steps off at 6:00pm

The Long Beach Electric Light Parade takes place in the West End of Long Beach. The parade route runs along West Beech Street starting at Ohio Avenue and concludes on Grand Boulevard.

To ensure a seamless and safe event for all, it is essential that each participant completes and submits the required entry form, along with a signed copy of the Parade Rules and Regulations. Please review this entire packet thoroughly to help us make this year's parade an unforgettable experience for everyone involved. We look forward to seeing your entry illuminate our streets!

- Each entry requires an application & a fee per entry paid before December 1st.
Checks made payable to the City of Long Beach. This fee offsets the cost of city services.
- Applications can be dropped off to the Rec Center (700 Magnolia Blvd).
- Credit cards taken in person. (Service fee applies).
- Driver's license of person driving the vehicle, & proof of registration & insurance required.
- Only 80 entries will be accepted (including marching and pipe bands).
- All Vehicles Must Line up at the Sands Parking lot in Atlantic Beach at 4:30pm.
- Parade steps off at 6:00pm.
- Awards will be given to the most festive.
- Judging takes place in the Sands Parking Lot & along the parade route.
- A parade entry number will be assigned at the Sands Parking Lot. Numbers should be displayed. All walking groups will receive their number on Ohio Avenue.
- Restaurants will be offering dinner specials and kids activities before/after the parade.
- Parking will be available at the Long Beach Catholic School yard & LIRR Parking Deck.

LONG BEACH ELECTRIC LIGHT PARADE ENTRY FORM

Early Bird Deadline: November 17, 2025
 Application Deadline: December 1, 2025
 Parade: Saturday, December 13, 2025
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Please fill out the application in its entirety. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Group Name/Title of Entry: <i>(this will be used at check-in)</i>	Name of person driving: <i>(Copy of Drivers Lic. Reg. & Ins. Required)</i>
Contact Person:	Address, City, Zip
Email:	Phone:

PARADE ENTRY INFORMATION

Please Indicate your category

Car Float Fire Apparatus Band/Pipes Walking Group Bicycle Other _____

Please describe your entry (include make and model of vehicle, if it is a float).

Parade Narrative: to be announced from the bandwagon and used in judging. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

PAYMENT AND SUBMISSION

Submit all required information including fully completed application, insurance, payment, drivers license, etc.
 Please make checks payable to: City of Long Beach, You can pay in person at the Rec Center by Visa or Mastercard
ONLY. NO American Express or Discover taken.
Customers paying by credit/debit card will be charged a convenience fee of 2.65%.

Type of Entry	Fees/discount	Please return the signed entry form with payment to: Department of Parks and Recreation Events Office 700 Magnolia Boulevard Long Beach, New York 11561 Application questions, please call Kerry Ann at 516-705-7414 or lbevents@longbeachny.gov Any technical questions, please contact Jamie at
Entry Fee	\$50.00	
Early Bird Discount (By November 17, 2025)	-\$10.00	
Late Fee (After December 1, 2025)	+\$25.00	
Total Enclosed		

- I have attached a copy of the vehicles Insurance
- I have attached a copy of the driver's license
- I have signed the rules and regulations
- I have enclosed payment or will pay by credit card at the Rec Center

Office Use Only: Amount Pd _____ C CK CC Date _____

LONG BEACH ELECTRIC LIGHT PARADE RULES & REQUIREMENTS

It is the intent of the Parade Committee to organize a parade, which is a safe and fun family experience for all. The rules and requirements have been created to ensure the best possible event for both participants and the viewing public. The City of Long Beach has the right to reject or accept any application for participation in this event.

- I have enclosed the application fee. Check, cash or credit card in person (A 2.65% processing fee on CC will apply).
- All entries must be Holiday themed only. (Christmas, Chanukah, Kwanzaa, Winter Solstice, New Year's). **DO NOT BEGIN DECORATING AT THE SANDS PARKING LOT. YOUR ENTRY MUST BE DECORATED BEFORE ARRIVAL.**
- The committee reserves the right to revise the placement of any entry during line-up on parade day.
- All floats must check in with the parade committee at the Sands Parking lot between 4:30pm & 5:15pm.
- All pedestrian marchers should line up on Ohio Avenue.
- All vehicles must be adorned in working lights.
- All Parade Participants agree to keep pace and maintain no less than 25 feet between each unit.
- **All vehicles must be legally registered and insured in compliance with NYS laws.**
- **Each float should have a minimum of 4 escorts walking along the side of the float.**
- Drivers must possess a valid driver's license and obey all New York State laws.
- Children under 12 riding in a float must be accompanied by an adult.
- No items may be thrown from parade units for the safety of the spectators and to prevent litter. **This lures children into the street into the path of moving vehicles.**
- Walking groups are encouraged to have a banner identifying your organization.
- This is a family-friendly event for all ages, and every entry in the parade is expected to be respectful. Symbols and language that can be construed as offensive may not be permitted in the Parade. All costumes, outfits, behavior, and attitude must be appropriate for a young audience and will be held to a high standard. Failure to comply may result in being asked to leave the parade with no warning and may jeopardize your approval to participate in following years.
- **Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the staging area, on a float or along the parade route.**
- **Please no live Santa's on any floats. We do encourage other holiday costumed characters!**
- Please do not honk your horn continuously. Be considerate of other parade entries and refrain from loud horn blowing or other loud noises, which may interfere with the pipe bands.
- If you have a mechanical problem, turn onto one of the side streets and allow the parade to resume.
- Please stay in line until the parade ends.
- **PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR HEADLIGHTS BUT LEAVE YOUR PARKING LIGHTS ON.** (If you have daytime running lights, or automatic headlights, please consult your owner's manual).

DO NOT START DECORATING AT THE SANDS PARKING LOT!!

Late participants will not be included in the judging.

Please share this information with the driver and tell the name of your entry.

Any entrant not conforming to the rules and requirements or any entrant refusing to follow instructions of the police or parade officials will be removed from the parade and/or prohibited from participating in future parades.

All participants shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the City of Long Beach, its' elected and appointed officials, its employees', agents, sponsors, volunteers, and others working on behalf of the City, from and against any and all claims, losses, costs, attorney's fees, damages, or injury including death and/or property loss. In addition, I and the group that I represent will abide by the rules and regulations listed above. I further permit the use of photography and/or video for media promotion.

Signature _____ Date _____

No entries will be accepted without a signature.