

April 27, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to invite your business or organization to participate in the 2025 Highlander Festival Parade. There is no charge to enter the parade. It is easy to join the fun. Simply complete the enclosed parade form and return to the address listed on the form. Entries must be in by September 13, 2025.

It is not just a parade, It is a celebration... It is also a chance to showcase your business or organization for FREE !!

The parade theme is

“A Wee Bit ‘O Scotland”

The parade is on September 13, 2025. Lineup starts at 9 am, the parade starts at 10 am. Staging will be at the corner of Ash Street and South Pacific.

I hope to see you there.

Lisa Alexander
Parade Chair
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2025 HIGHLANDER FESTIVAL PARADE

Theme: "A Wee Bit 'O Scotland"

Date: Saturday, September 13, 2025
Time: Line up - 9:00 a.m. PARADE - 10:00 a.m.
Entry Deadline: Wednesday, September 10, 2025

Return completed entry forms to:
HIGHLANDER FESTIVAL PARADE
P.O. Box 819
Kelso, WA 98626

Staging is at Ash St and S 3rd Ave
Judging will be at 9:45 am in the staging area. If you wish to be judged please have your entry ready at that time. Thank you

If you have questions contact Lisa
lkalexander@kelso.gov

PARADE ENTRY FORM

Name/Group _____

Number of persons in entry _____

Contact person _____

Evening phone number _____

Address _____

City State Zip code

Award category _____

1. Band or Musical Group
2. Drill Team or Dance Unit
3. Antique Automobile
4. Religious or Youth Group
5. Commercial Division
6. Service Organization
7. Equestrian, Bicycle, Novelty

First, second and third place awards will be given in each of the above categories. Judges Best of Theme Award will also be given.

Note: Political entries will not be judged.

Describe entry such as vehicle make & year, group leaders, awards, etc. *(This information will be used by parade announcer.)*

Answers to the following questions will help prevent conflicts between parade entries:

Will this entry make noise? *(Such as bands or emergency vehicles)* YES _____ NO _____

Will this entry use music or cadence? *(Drill teams)* YES _____ NO _____

Will sirens or bands interfere with this entry's performance? YES _____ NO _____

Will this entry be larger than a pickup truck? How big? _____ YES _____ NO _____

RELEASE FORM

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I/We hereby waive, and release myself/ourselves, my/our heirs, executors and administrators, any and all rights and claims for damages I/we may have against the Kelso HIGHLANDER Festival Commission, City of Kelso, Cowlitz County and all sponsors, volunteers, and civil organizations connected with this event, and for any and all injuries, equipment failures or damages. I/We further agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Kelso and its officials, employees and agents from any damage claim or lawsuit for injury, illness, damage, of other loss of any kind to anyone including members of our organization that might arise out of our activities, actions, of omission of any individuals of our group or business, except injuries of damages proximately caused by the sole negligence of the City. The applicant specifically agrees to waive any immunity under RCW Title 51. In keeping with the family orientation, the Kelso Highlander Festival Commission reserves the right to refuse any parade entry that may be objectionable or illegal.

I have read the terms and agree to all conditions.

Signature _____

Date _____

Position in organization *(if any)*
