

## Chapter 103 -- Parades

**103.010. Short title.** This Chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Parade Ordinance" of the City of Moscow Mills, Missouri.

**103.020. Definitions.**

1. Parade is any parade, march, ceremony, show, exhibition, pageant or procession of any kind, or any similar display, in or upon any street, park or other public place in the City.
2. Parade permit is a permit as required by this Chapter.
3. Person is any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or organization of any kind.

**103.030. Permit required.** No person shall engage in, participate in, aid, form or start any parade, unless a parade permit shall have been obtained from the chief of police.

**103.040. Exceptions.** This Chapter shall not apply to:

1. Funeral processions.
2. Students going to and from school classes or participating in educational activities, providing such conduct is under the immediate direction and supervision of the proper school authorities.
3. A governmental agency acting within the scope of its functions.

**103.050. Application.** A person seeking issuance of a parade permit shall file an application with the chief of police on forms provided by such officer.

1. Filing period. An application for a parade permit shall be filed with the chief of police not less than five (5) days nor more than thirty (30) days before the date on which it is proposed to conduct the parade.
2. Contents. The application for a parade permit shall set forth the following information:
  - a. The name, address and telephone number of the person seeking to conduct such parade.
  - b. If the parade is proposed to be conducted for, on behalf of, or by an organization, the name, address and telephone number of the headquarters of the organization and of the authorized and responsible heads of such organization.
  - c. The name, address and telephone number of the person who will be the parade chairman and who will be responsible for its conduct.

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- d. The date when the parade is to be conducted.
- e. The route to be traveled, the starting point and the termination point.
- f. The approximate number of persons who, and animals and vehicles which, will constitute such parade; the type of animals, and description of the vehicles.
- g. The hours when such parade will start and terminate.
- h. A statement as to whether the parade will occupy all or only a portion of the width of the streets proposed to be traversed.
- i. The location by streets of any assembly areas for such parade.
- j. The time at which units of the parade will begin to assemble at any such assembly area or areas.
- k. The interval of space to be maintained between units of such parade.
- l. If the parade is designed to be held by, and on behalf of or for, any person other than the applicant, the applicant for such permit shall file with the chief of police a communication in writing from the person proposing to hold the parade, authorizing the applicant to apply for the permit on his behalf.
- m. Any additional information which the chief of police shall find reasonably necessary to a fair determination as to whether a permit should be issued.

3. Late applications. The chief of police, where good cause is shown therefor, shall have the authority to consider any application hereunder which is filed less than five (5) days before the date such parade is proposed to be conducted.

**103.060. Standards for issuance.** The chief of police shall issue a permit as provided for hereunder when, from a consideration of the application and from such other information as may otherwise be obtained, he finds that:

1. The conduct of the parade will not substantially interrupt the safe and orderly movement of other traffic contiguous to its route.
2. The conduct of the parade will not require the diversion of so great a number of police officers of the City to properly police the line of movement and the areas contiguous thereto as to prevent normal police protection to the City.
3. The conduct of such parade will not require the diversion of so great a number of ambulances as to prevent normal ambulance

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service to portions of the City other than that to be occupied by the proposed line of march and areas contiguous thereto.

4. The concentration of persons, animals and vehicles at assembly points of the parade will not unduly interfere with proper fire and police protection of, or ambulance service to, areas contiguous to such assembly areas.

5. The conduct of such parade will not interfere with the movement of fire-fighting equipment en route to a fire.

6. The conduct of the parade is not reasonably likely to cause injury to persons or property, to provoke disorderly conduct or create a disturbance.

7. The parade is scheduled to move from its point of origin to its point of termination expeditiously and without unreasonable delays en route.

8. The parade is not to be held for the sole purpose of advertising any product, goods or event, and is not designed to be held purely for private profit.

**103.070. Notice of rejection.** The chief of police shall act upon the application for a parade permit within thirty (30) days after the filing thereof. If the chief of police disapproves the application, he shall mail to the applicant within thirty (30) days after the date upon which the application was filed, a notice of his action, stating the reasons for his denial of the permit.

**103.080. Appeal procedure.** Any person aggrieved shall have the right to appeal the denial of a parade permit to the board of aldermen. The appeal shall be taken within thirty (30) days after notice. The board of aldermen shall act upon the appeal within thirty (30) days after its receipt.

**103.090. Alternative permit.** The chief of police, in denying an application for a parade permit, shall be empowered to authorize the conduct of the parade on a date, at a time or over a route different from that named by the applicant. An applicant desiring to accept an alternate permit shall, within three (3) days after notice of the action of the chief of police, file a written notice of acceptance with the chief of police. An alternate parade permit shall conform to the requirements of and shall have the effect of a parade permit under this Chapter.

**103.100. Notice to city and other officials.** Immediately upon the issuance of a parade permit, the chief of police shall send a copy thereof to the following:

1. The mayor.
2. The city attorney.
3. The fire chief.
4. The director of the department of streets.

5. The postmaster.
6. The general manager or responsible head of each public transportation utility, the regular routes of those whose vehicles will be affected by the route of the proposed parade.

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**Contents of permit.** Each parade permit shall state the following

1. Starting time.
2. Minimum speed.
3. Maximum speed.
4. Maximum interval of space to be maintained between the units of the parade.
5. The portions of the streets to be traversed that may be occupied by the parade.
6. The maximum length of the parade in miles or fractions thereof.
7. Such other information as the chief of police shall find necessary to the enforcement of this Chapter.

**103.120. Duties of permittee.** A permittee hereunder shall comply with all permit directions and conditions and with all applicable laws and ordinances.

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