



**2009 Running with the Bulls Night Parade
Friday, November 20, 2009 7:00 PM**

Application & Rules

Parade applications will be received in person only.

Please bring the application to MSC 2306

**Registration *deadline* is Wednesday, November 4, 2009
by 5:00 pm**

Late registrations will not be accepted!

All teams competing for the SuperBull Award MUST have a homemade float in order to be eligible for SuperBull Points. Winners of the float competition will be announced at the Parade After Party.

A Copy of your Proof of Liability Insurance Coverage is required and must be turned in with this application.

Homecoming Steering Committee
4202 E. Fowler Avenue, MSC 2306
Tampa, FL 33620
Phone: 813-974-5202 Fax: 813-974-5466

Running with the Bulls Night Parade Application

Group Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Name of Person Insured: _____

Type of Group: (Circle one)

Student Organization USF Department Community Krewes Other: _____

Type of Entry:

Type of Vehicle/Float: _____
(Antique Car, Other Automobile, Trucks, golf carts; etc.)

Title of Float: _____

Description: _____

Will it include lights or music? _____

Size of unit and/or space needed (in feet): _____

Would you like your float/entry entered in the Float Competition? YES NO

If so, is your float homemade or professionally made? _____

(Professionally made floats cannot be judged)

2009 Parade Rules and Regulations

1. All participants must turn in the official entry form. All applicants are subject to review by the Homecoming Steering Committee. Those who do not turn in an application are not eligible to participate. Parade applications will be received only in person. Please bring the application to the Marshall Student Center in room 2306 at the University of South Florida, in person, no later than **5:00 PM on Wednesday, November 4, 2009**.
2. A Copy of your Proof of Liability Insurance Coverage is required and must be turned in with this application. Only those vehicles listed on your application with proof of insurance will be eligible for the parade.
3. **No late applications will be accepted.**
4. The Parade Director will confirm your parade registration by telephone or email. If you have not received a confirmation by **Tuesday, November 10, 2009** we do not have a completed application. If this occurs please contact the Homecoming office at 813-974-5202 or Michelle D'Aquino at parade@usfhomecoming.com.
5. **All teams competing for the SuperBull Award MUST have a homemade float in order to be eligible for SuperBull Points.**
6. All entries must arrive at the staging area no later than 6:00 PM on **Friday, November 20, 2009**, and may arrive as early as 10:00 AM. **Parade entries that arrive after 6:00 PM will not be allowed to participate in the parade and will be disqualified from the competition. The parade will begin promptly at 7:00 PM.** (All official times will be determined by the "Homecoming Clock" provided on site).
7. Floats must be constructed prior to 6:00 PM on **Friday, November 20, 2009**. Construction of the floats on university property must abide by all university rules. Violators will be disqualified and reported to the University Police Department and/or Student Rights and Responsibilities. Any teams found still constructing their floats past 6:00 PM will not be eligible for points but are still able to participate in the parade.
8. Participating organizations may have no more than 12 members walking aside the float. Two members must have the sole responsibility to communicate with the driver when it is safe for them to stop and start while monitoring the safety of the parade walkers. There can be up to 5 monitors on each side walking alongside the float/vehicle (They must **not** hand items out along the parade route). **These individuals must be clearly identified as part of the organization (t-shirt, name tag, etc).** The purpose of the remaining individuals walking is to **hand out** beads, candy, and goodies to the crowd and assist with keeping parade watchers away from the unit.
9. Due to safety, once the parade has begun, individuals may not leave his/her parade entry until the parade route has been completed.
10. All participating entries must adhere to the legal safety limit of passengers per float or vehicle.
11. **Homecoming theme, "BULL-ISTIC" must be incorporated and seen in the float.**

12. **Firearms, pyrotechnics, fire and fireworks are strictly PROHIBITED from any part of the parade, due to the concern for safety of all participants and audience members. Violation of this rule will result in immediate disqualification of the entry; the Homecoming Steering Committee will also notify Student Rights and Responsibilities and the University Police Department.**
13. Profanity or obscenities on the float will result in disqualification, as determined by the Homecoming Parade Director and Advisor. (If using the Louisville logo, please do so in good taste.)
14. Entries are encouraged to display the sponsoring business, organization, and/or group name.
15. The consumption of alcoholic beverages and/or the use of illegal drugs in the staging area or on the parade route **WILL NOT BE TOLERATED**. Individual and/or team will be disqualified and not able to participate in the parade. In addition, smoking is not permitted in the staging area and/or the parade route.
16. There will be no stopping at any point in the parade; however, you are requested to slow down in front of the judging area so that the judges can review your entry. All units must remain moving at all times.
17. Any individual not associated with a parade entry will not be permitted in the staging area. All performances should only occur after the parade has begun in order to be considered in the overall score for the entry. Any entry members who are at the staging site and are not associated with your group will be asked to leave. The Homecoming Steering Committee reserves the right to request anyone to leave the staging area.
18. The first 20 USF floats to arrive at the staging area will receive one bag of beads to hand out to the crowd during the parade.
19. Parade entries are encouraged to provide additional safe items (i.e. non heavy or sharp) which can be handed out along the parade route (i.e. Beads, candy).
20. Entries are also encouraged to incorporate lights on their float to increase visibility.
21. **Floats are restricted to 13 ft in height from the ground due to potential interference with property such as power lines, trees, and tree branches. Only one vehicle may pull a float, no other vehicles may accompany the entry.**
22. All professional floats must have wheel skirts covering the wheels.
23. If you have questions or concerns they must be taken care of by 6:00 PM on Parade Day. This will allow ample time for assistance.

Float Competition

1. Floats competing in the parade competition must be constructed prior to 6:00 PM on Friday, November 20, 2009. Construction of the floats on university property must abide by all university rules.
2. Any teams found still constructing their floats past 6:00 PM will not be eligible for the competition.
3. There will be no stopping at any point in the parade; however, you are requested to slow down in front of the judging area so that the judges can review your entry. All units must remain moving at all times.
4. Only one entry per organization is eligible for the parade competition judging. **Organizations are eligible to include more than one entry but *only one* will be judged.**
5. One team member walking along side the entry **MUST** carry the team competition card. This can be one of the Monitors, if necessary. Failure to do so will disqualify the team in the parade competition.
6. Entries will be judged on the following criteria:
 - Creativity (10 points)
 - Overall Quality (5 points)
 - Green & Gold Spirit (5 points)
 - Rules & Theme

Participation Agreement Form

It is specifically agreed upon by all parties that the owner and sponsor of the unit accept full responsibility for protection against personal injury and/or property damage in operation of the unit during the participation of the parade. I, _____, have read the attached rules and regulations and I understand the rules and regulations governing the 2009 Running with the Bulls Night Parade. I agree to abide by those rules set forth.

Print Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

Please make a copy of this form to keep for your records and to review the rules.

Any questions please contact the Homecoming Parade Director, Michelle D'Aquino @ (813) 974-5202
or by email parade@usfhomecoming.com