



Christmas in Tecumseh Santa Parade

**REGISTRATION FORM
 FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2023**

NAME OF ENTRY _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ PROVINCE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

BUSINESS

HOME

CELL

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

TYPE OF ENTRY: Non-Commercial \$25.00 Commercial \$40.00

Methods of Payment: MasterCard, Visa, cash, debit, and by cheque or money order payable to the Town of Tecumseh.

Float Marching Walking Group Animals Other _____

ENTRY INCLUDES MUSIC: YES NO NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: _____

APPROXIMATE SIZE OF ENTRY / FLOAT: _____

ENTRY IS DEFINED UNDER THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

- Marching Musical Group Fire Department Service Club
 Specialty Groups Commercial Antique vehicles

**Please provide a description/picture of entry sufficient for parade organization.*

I have read and agree to comply with all of the "2023 Parade Terms / Conditions / Guidelines" while in attendance at the 2023 Christmas in Tecumseh Santa Parade.

Dated this _____ **day of** _____ , 2023

Signature: _____ **Print Name:** _____

MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO: **TECUMSEH COMMUNITY & RECREATION SERVICES**

12021 McNorton Street, Tecumseh, Ontario N8N 3Z7

Phone: 519-735-4756

Email: kthoms@tecumseh.ca

**Registration Deadline:
 November 6, 2023**

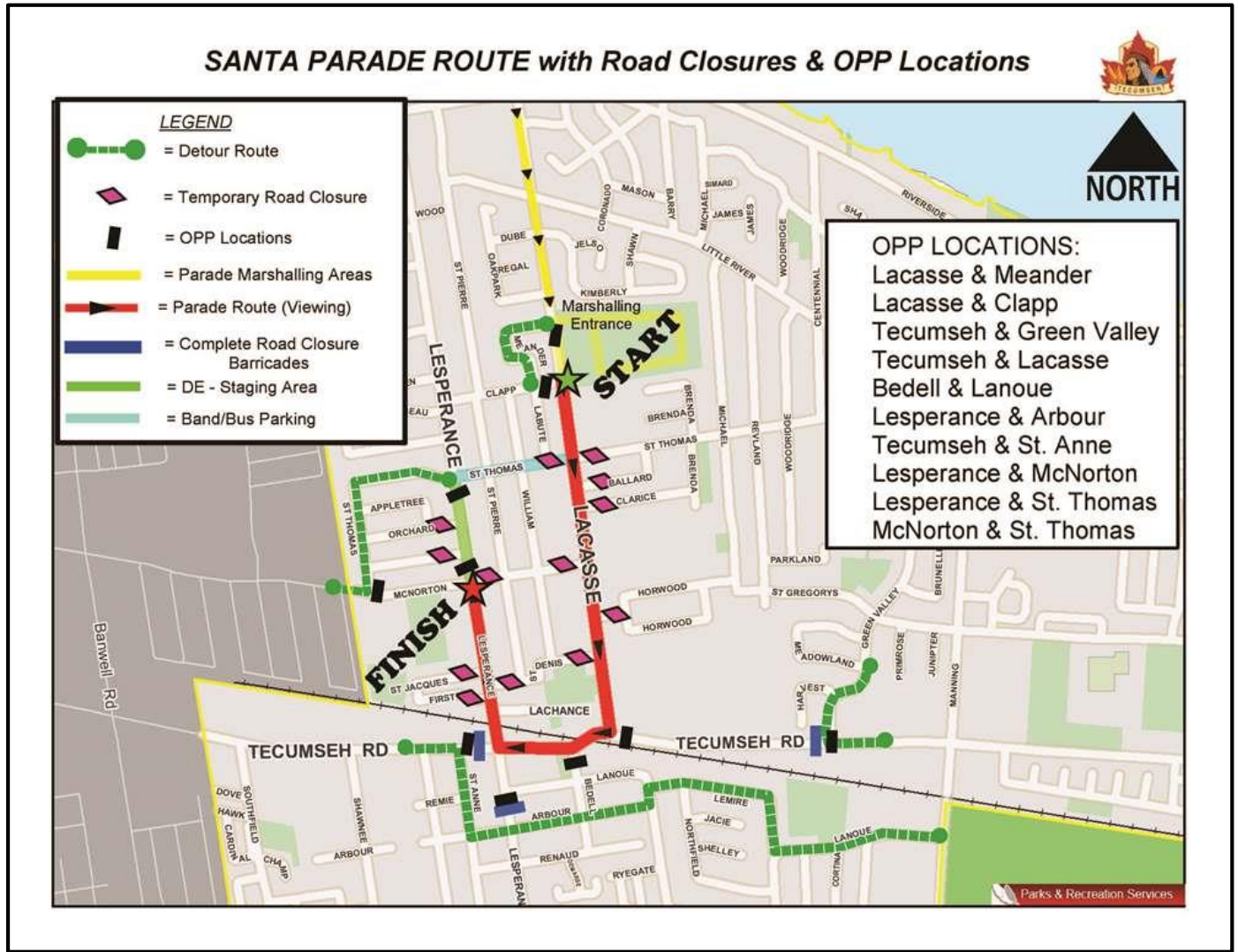
Parade Route

The parade officially begins at 6:00 p.m. at the corner of Lacasse Boulevard and Clapp Street.

The parade will proceed southerly along Lacasse Boulevard to Tecumseh Road.

The parade will continue on Tecumseh Road westerly to Lesperance Road.

The parade will turn and continue travelling north on Lesperance Road to the Tecumseh Town Hall (corner of Lesperance Road and McNorton Street).



Parade Theme

- All floats /entries must be decorated with a Christmas, Santa, or Winter Holiday theme.
- A 500 light minimum is expected per float/entry to accommodate for the night time parade.
- All riders on all floats should be dressed creatively to match the theme of the float.
- All entries are responsible for ensuring the design and operation is safe and secure.
- Please ensure the parade vehicle is in good working order with special attention to exhaust, steering, brakes and tires prior to arriving at the marshaling area.
- Please ensure provisions for emergency towing is on hand (hitch, chain, etc.)
- SUV's, pick-up trucks and flat-bed cabs are restricted to being a towing unit only and should be decorated to match the float they are towing.

2023 Parade Terms / Conditions / Guidelines

1. No entry may depict Santa Claus and/or Mrs. Claus or Santa's float.
2. Commercial tractor-trailers that are not part of a float will not be permitted.
3. Large inflatables must have adequate personnel to maintain control of the inflatable at all times, ensuring that the inflatable can be maneuvered under power lines along the parade route – 13 ft. maximum height.
4. All animal groups or floats with animals involved **must** have a clean-up crew directly following their group.
5. All Fire Department entries, as well as antique or retired Fire Trucks, are **not permitted** to spray water into the crowds along the parade route.
6. All Emergency Department vehicle entries are requested to limit the use of loud horns along the parade route.
7. All entries are expected to complete the route from start to finish. There will be no premature exiting of the parade route except for emergency. All entries are expected to maintain the flow of the parade and continue moving along the parade route as directed by parade and traffic control personnel.
8. Band applications will be considered for participation based upon budget allowance. A letter will be forwarded confirming acceptance.
9. The only walking groups that will be allowed to walk in the parade are: marching bands, color guards, mascots, clowns, balloon crews, performers and performance troupe and non-profit and service club organizations.
10. No entry may depict anything political, controversial or otherwise offensive.
11. In case of inclement weather, a delay will be called at the discretion of the Parade Coordinator and will only be cancelled if the weather does not clear up before 8pm.
12. Parade Marshalls and Tecumseh OPP reserve the right to remove any entry, at any time, whether the results of concerns for safety, interference with the Parade's progress or does not meet all the requirements referenced above.

Safety

1. All candy and/or novelties **must be handed out by walkers** at the curb to ensure the safety of the children attending the parade. Candy must be securely packaged.
2. Alcoholic beverages or illegal drug consumption are **strictly prohibited**.
3. Fuel storage receptacles will not be allowed on any parade entry.
4. All motorized vehicles must carry a fire extinguisher that has been charged, sealed and tagged to indicate last date of service (within 180 days of parade date). The extinguisher must be accessible and the operator familiar with its operation. No motorized vehicle will be permitted to enter the route without presenting the fire extinguisher to the parade coordinator.
5. It is recommended by police services that no riders be on the float or entry in transit to the registration/staging area. Riders will only be allowed to ride on the float/entry from the staging area, along the parade route to the de-staging area.
6. No rider is permitted to mount or dismount from floats or entries along the parade route (with the exception of emergency).
7. An entry will not be allowed to leave the de-staging area with riders still on the entry.
8. All float/entry riders should make arrangements beforehand to have someone pick them up in the vicinity of the de-staging area. Only parade entries will be allowed in the de-staging area so riders will have to meet their ride outside of the de-staging area.
9. Safety precautions must be taken and will be enforced at all times and discretionary concerns will be left up to the Parade Marshalls and Tecumseh OPP on route.

Marshaling

- Parade marshaling will begin at 4:30 pm; all entries must arrive to the marshaling area no later than 5:30 p.m. Larger vehicle entries are requested to arrive earlier to allow for more area to move within the marshaling area
- Entries are to approach the marshaling area using Lacasse Boulevard from Riverside Drive and enter the marshaling area at the Lacasse Park parking lot entrance at 590 Lacasse Boulevard. Depending on float size, some entries may be directed to park on Lacasse Blvd to wait the time for the parade.
- Busses are to drop off band participants on Lacasse Blvd by the park entrance and then continue along Lacasse Blvd to make their way to the Tecumseh Fire Hall as their parking location – See details below.
- Placement in the parade lineup will be provided prior to the day of the parade; each applicant will be given an entry number, and asked to wait in a designated area within the marshaling area that corresponds to the entry number.
- ALL applicants/participants are to remain stationed in their designated marshaling area to allow fellow applicants/participants to reach their designation.
- Entrants requiring assembly time are encouraged to arrive early.

De-Staging

- Once the parade reaches the end of the parade route (in front of Town Hall; corner of Lesperance and McNorton), floats that do not require to be unassembled or drop-off riders are to continue driving north on Lesperance towards Riverside Drive and disperse along available municipal roadways.
- Entries with riders that require to be dropped off are asked to continue on Lesperance Road to Clapp Street; turn east on Clapp Street and return to Lacasse Park where riders may dismount from the float safely as directed by parade and traffic control personnel.
- All floats/entry riders should make arrangements beforehand to have someone pick them up at Lacasse Park following the parade.



Band Bus Waiting Area

- After dropping off band members at the Marshaling Area, busses are to continue along Lacasse Blvd to St. Thomas; Turn Right on St. Thomas and continue to Lesperance Road; Turn Left on Lesperance Road and continue to the Town Centre Area.
- Busses are to turn into the parking lot between the Municipal Town Hall building and Tecumseh OPP Station.
- Once in the parking lot, busses are to turn left and drive behind the OPP and EMS station, where they are to park behind the Fire Hall. Busses are asked to park along the right-hand side of the asphalt along the baseball diamond fencing.
- After the parade is done, band members are to make their way to the bus waiting area to load / board the bus.
- Buses may exit the parking lot using the entrance in front of the Fire Hall onto Lesperance Rd.

Lacasse Park – Marshalling Area



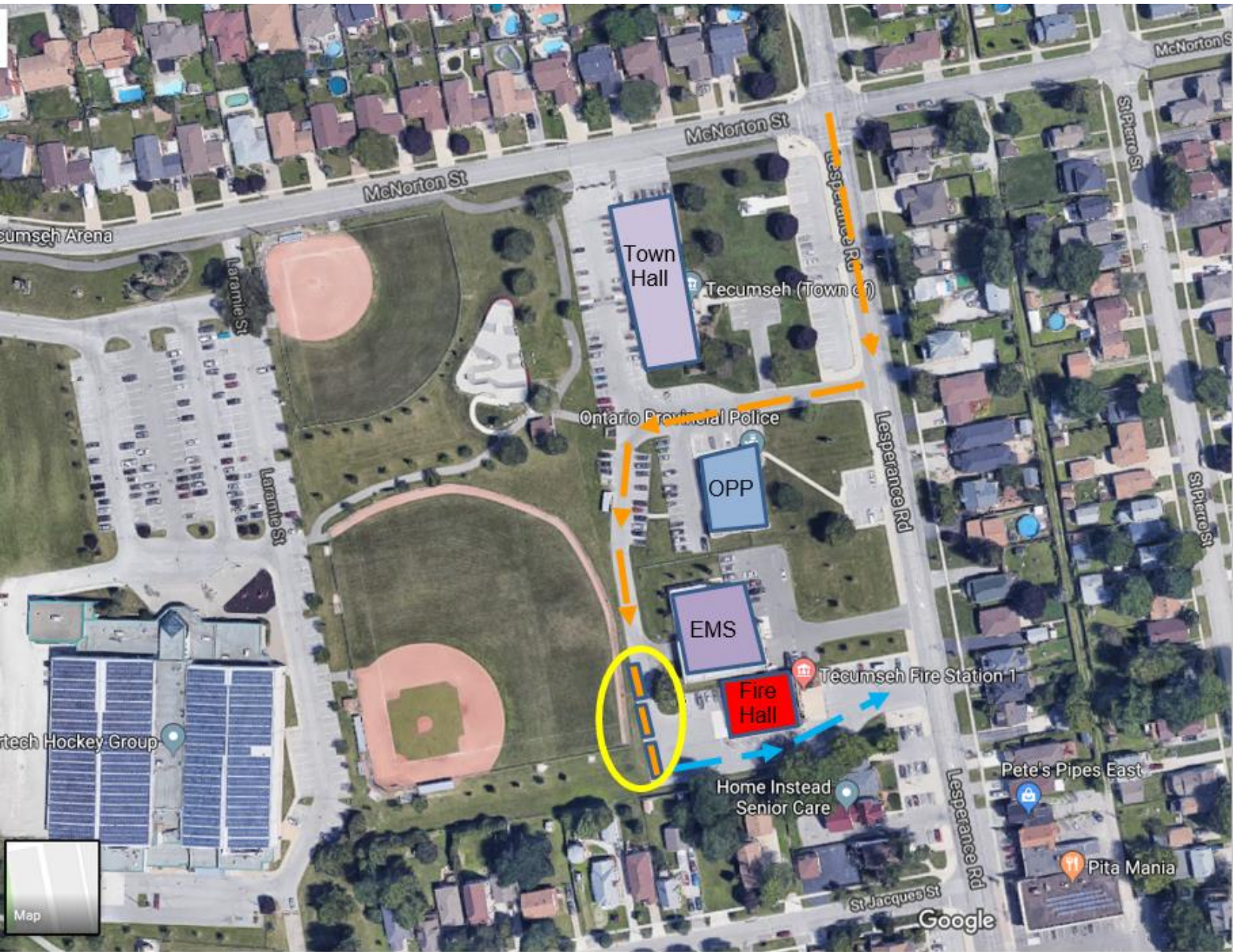
LEGEND

	DETOUR
	MARSHALLING AREAS
	ROAD BLOCK/ CLOSURE

LACASSE PARK
Santa Claus Parade Marshalling



Band Bus Waiting Area



Parking
Location for
Busses



Direction to
Enter

Direction to
Exit

