

Safety Checklist for Floats

Please use this as a guide to assess the safety of each float.

Check Item	Standard Required	Test Technique	✓
Exhaust System	No items are tied or secured to any part of the exhaust system	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drivers access/ vision	Drivers' front windscreen is not restricted and has a clear view	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Drivers' door is not restricted and the driver is able to enter and exit the vehicle etc.	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Steering	Check the steering to ensure that full movement of the steering is achieved - No objects restrict the steering movement	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trailer	Check that no objects are hanging within the tail shaft areas	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wheels	All wheels are free from any hanging objects and are not obstructed in any manner	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leaks	Check for any obvious fuel, oil or gas leaks	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Float	Check that all items are secured to the float	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Check general float condition for any obvious faults or protruding parts	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
	The length of the entire float entry, including the vehicle used for towing, must not exceed: 10m in length for a small vehicle and trailer 8m in length for light ridged trucks Small coach bus (maximum capacity of 12ppl)	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Height	The total height of floats including the height of any persons sitting or standing on the float must not exceed 3m at its highest point. This is necessary to ensure overhead clearance along certain areas of the pageant route.	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Passengers	Check that any child is safely secured and supervised by an adult	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Santa	NO ADDITIONAL SANTA'S ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Supervision	As a guideline, children under the age of five should have one adult per four children, and children over the age of five should have one adult per ten children.	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mascot	Minders for mascots are recommended for visual aid	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Animals	Leave your pets at home – No animals permitted	Visual inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>

Pageant Float Entry Ideas



What Not to Do



Boring Floats

When planning your float entry for the Christmas Pageant consider how you will entertain the crowd.

Remember to design the float on theme.



Inappropriate Floats

All floats must be G-rated and in good taste as this is a free event for the whole community to enjoy.



Not getting into the spirit

All pageant entries must be dressed up in costume or decorated in a Christmas theme including the adults supervising.

We think if everyone dresses up it makes the pageant more fun and exciting.

Children must be supervised 1 adult per 4 children.