

Tractor parade requirement

1. Equipment that is self-propelled and operated on a public road shall be operated by a person that is licensed by the state in which they reside.
2. To operate equipment at an EDGETA parade you must be an EDGETA Member.
3. If you are a member age 12 through 15, and do not have a valid state driver's license, you must have completed the EDGE&TA Youth Driver Training Program and have a Youth Driver Training Certification Card on your possession to drive in a parade or on the show grounds.
4. All tractors shall have an Emergency kill switch or device in reach of the driver's seat.
5. A working fire extinguisher shall be prominently displayed on each tractor.
6. There shall be only one (1) person on a tractor when moving, unless there are provisions for others and these provisions meet the Safety Officer's approval. . "If the safety officer has questions he should review them with the insurance contact or insurance agent". To further clarify what is acceptable and what is not, an exception would be the large older tractors where two operators are desirable for safety, such as a 30-60 Rumely, 30-60 Altman Taylor, etc. In addition those tractors that have fenders as part of enclosed platforms, and there is no way the rider can fall in front of the rear wheels, such as IHC W-4, W-6, W-9, John Deere Model D etc. may have one additional rider standing on the platform (not sitting on the fender) during the parade. The rider must be old enough to hold on without the driver holding him. The driver must be able to focus his complete attention to driving, and not holding on to his rider. It is not acceptable to have riders on row crop type tractors such as Farmall B, C, H, M, and F-12, 14, 20 & 30 series. John Deere H, A, B, G or like tractors, even though they are equipped with fenders, unless a seat is specially fitted on the tractor for an additional rider. In those cases, if it is possible for the rider to fall forward from the seat in front of the rear wheels, a seat belt is to be installed to restrain the rider. The same is true for a tractor like an AC Model B which has a wide seat. In this case, the rider, especially a young child is to have a seat belt, it is not permissible for the driver to hold the rider and drive too.
7. Riders on Ford tractors and others that are side mounted in front of the rear wheels may not have riders unless a seat is specially designed and submitted for approval.
8. It is not acceptable for riders to stand on the drawbar or hitches.
9. Tractors with cabs may have riders if they are inside the cab and the doors are closed.
10. All PTO shafts should be covered if possible; if not make sure they are disengaged.
11. When we talk about parades, most parades don't move over 3-5 mph.
12. When operating a tractor in a parade, always drive parallel to spectators.

13. When operating a tractor in a parade, never throw candy or other objects from the tractor/wagon/people mover.
14. A minimum distance of 3 times the length of your tractor should be maintained between your tractor and whatever is in front of you.
15. Towing tractors must have adequate brakes to handle the towed load on any hill that may be encountered. (Note that garden tractors are not designed to be towing vehicles).
16. Never leave a tractor in gear when parked. (This will prevent someone from accidentally starting the tractor and running over themselves, others, or other equipment.)
17. Never leave an unattended tractor running.
18. All pulled wagons or people movers shall have a washer and hitch cross pin in the bottom end of the pulling pin. A grade 8 bolt with double nuts would also work. A conventional trailer ball hitches are also acceptable.
19. Draw bar on pulling vehicle must be long enough to provide adequate turning radius so the tongue of people mover/wagon will not ride up on rear tires of pulling vehicle. A safety chain is required and must be short so that in the event that the people mover/wagon becomes unhitched from the tractor, the people mover/wagon will not roll into the tractor tires. (Photo required).
20. With regard to Steam Engines, it is acceptable to have one rider in addition to the two operators if there is room on the platform for the rider. For example a Case engine with contractor's bunkers has room for an additional rider.