

# Waukesha VFW Post 721 March Participation Application

**March Date: Monday May 25, 2026, 10:00 a.m.**

**“Memorial Day 2026”**

**Entries must be received by 4 p.m., Friday, May 01, 2026**

**Group/Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, & Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Daytime Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell# Day of March:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please CHECK ALL categories that apply:**

- Motorized, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- **Name of unit driver:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Unit Driver will need to present a valid Driver’s License upon arrival if requested
- Float            Includes Music    Yes    or    No
  
- Color Guard                                        Other, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- Marching and Musical                    \_\_\_\_\_
- Marching Only
  
- Will materials be distributed? Yes or No    Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- Will the unit have signs? Yes or No    Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate Unit Length for the line up area: \_\_\_\_\_ **(MUST BE COMPLETED FOR CONSIDERATION)**

**COMPLETE Description of Entry (MUST BE COMPLETED FOR CONSIDERATION): Units not completing this section will not be considered for the march. Please attach an additional sheet if more space is needed.**

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1. All march units must be pre-registered. Units that have not completed paperwork will not be accepted.
2. There will be no candy, flyers or tokens handed out in keeping with the spirit of the march.
3. Units must maintain **no more than 30 feet** between each other and **must continue moving forward**. For the safety of all, no units may stop to perform. Units delaying the march will be subject to removal.
4. **Dogs are not allowed in the march.**
5. **No firearms.**
6. **No political and/or campaign signs will be allowed.** Individuals running for office may not take part in the march as a candidate nor hand out campaign materials. Elected officials may take part in the march.
7. All unit drivers must show a valid driver's license and proof of insurance upon request.
8. Distribution of materials may not delay the march.
9. All participating units must reflect the spirit of the march and provide a patriotic display. Units which do not conform to a patriotic display will not be invited to participate in future marches. Please make sure your description on the participation form explains in detail, how you will accomplish this goal.
10. Everyone walking or riding in the march should be dressed either in costume pertaining to your unit, or neatly in patriotic colors to honor our country and the spirit of the march. All aspects of the unit should be entertaining to the general public. This includes support people accompanying the unit.
11. The goal of the march is entertainment. Any alcohol, tobacco, and/or drug use before, during, and after the march is strictly prohibited. Please refrain from cell phone use while on the march route except for emergencies.
12. **FINAL CONFIRMATION WITH YOUR UNIT NUMBER WILL BE MAILED TO YOU APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE MARCH.**
13. If you hear an emergency vehicle siren, move immediately to the right side of the road.
14. **Line-up begins at 9:00 a.m. and will take place in the parking lot of the State Office Building on Barstow. Line up instructions will be provided if your application is accepted. Please remember, streets will be barricaded approximately 9:00 a.m. and you will not be able to line up if arriving late.**
15. For everyone's safety, please walk alongside a vehicle, not in front or in back. **Do not get on or off your float/vehicle during the march.**
16. The VFW Post 721 reserves the right to pull registered units (even the day of the event) if they are inappropriate to the event.
17. **Please share these March Participation Policies & Procedures with everyone in your march unit.**

**Statement of Compliance & Waiver and Release of Claims**

I have read and agree to all the March Participation Policies & Procedures. I understand that my float/unit is subject to the approval of the VFW Post 721 is subject to removal from the march. The VFW Post 721 and its participants and reserves the right to remove any unit from the march it deems necessary under the circumstances for the orderly administration of the march. The undersigned Participant waives, and releases VFW Post 721 and the City of Waukesha and all of its departments, officers and employees from, all claims, suits, costs, losses, debts, actions, demands, liabilities, expenses, and/or damages to persons or property in any manner arising out of or connected with the Memorial Day March on Monday May 25, 2026. It is expressly understood by the parties to this agreement that this waiver and release by the Participant does not extend to liabilities arising from the negligent acts or omissions of the City, its agents, and employees.

- I ensure anyone driving a vehicle in my unit is at least 18 years of age and carries liability insurance. \_\_\_\_ (initial)
- Unit drivers will need to present a valid Driver's License upon arrival
- I am at least 18 years of age. \_\_\_\_ (initial)

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Signature

Date

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Print Name of Participant (Acting as representative on behalf of above stated participant and its members)

**Please send completed entries no later than Friday, May 01, 2026**

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