

Jaffa Temple
Altoona, Pennsylvania
Parade Rules & Regulations

International Shrine Rules and Regulations supersedes M.A.S.A Rules and Regulations and Jaffa Temple Rules and Regulations.

M.A.S.A. (Mid Atlantic Shrine Association) Rules and Regulations are only for the parade held every year a Virginia Beach, but are included in the International Shrine Rules and Regulations.

Jaffa Temple Rules and Regulations the Potentate may at anytime add any Rules or Regulations to the already existing International Shrine Rules and Regulations as he may see fit for the Units and Clubs of his Temple.

1) The Units and Clubs are part of the working corps of the Temple and under the control of the Potentate and must be composed wholly of Nobles.

A. Shriners ONLY: In parades of Temples at Annual Sessions of The Imperial Council or Associations, only Nobles shall participate. (**ONLY: Nobles in good standing.**)

B. Potentate's Approval: No Temple Unit or Club is permitted to participate in a parade or public exhibition without the expressed written approval of the Potentate.

C. Outside of Jurisdiction Approval: Public appearances by Units or Clubs are under auspice of the Temple with which they are identified and are not permitted in any place outside the Temple's Jurisdiction except with the consent of the Potentate of the Temple having the Jurisdiction.

2) Jaffa Uniformed Unit Officers: the Jaffa Temple Uniformed Unit Officers consist of: Colonel, Lieutenant Colonel, Major and Captain.

A. The Uniformed Unit Officers answer only to the Potentate and are in charge of running Unit Head Meetings, parade line ups, enforcing the International Shrine Parade Rules & Regulations, Grand Pageants line up and taking the Units and Clubs on to the floor at Jaffa Temple events.

3) Proof of Membership: Any Noble of the Jaffa Temple shall have in his possession and be prepared to produce his current year dues card at any sanctioned Jaffa Temple event proving he is eligible to participate in the said event(s). *Parade Marshals at M.A.S.A. parade may ask for it also, make sure you have it with you at M.A.S.A.*

- 4) Non-Shriners:** Other than the police escort, dignitaries and distinguished guests, **ONLY** Shriners are permitted in Shrine parades.
- 5) National Flags:** No National Flag shall be lowered or dipped when passing the Reviewing Stand or elsewhere.
- 6) Parade Route:** The parade route is from one side of the street to the other (curb to curb) and at no time are any Nobles to leave the parade route to mingle, touch (shaking hands, high fives and fist bumps are permitted) or be among the spectators for any reason. The parade always moves forward and doesn't stop unless the whole parade stops.
- 7) Cadence:** Marching cadence shall be 110 steps to the minute, except for specialized Units or Clubs which may require a different cadence.
- 8) Interval:** Intervals of not over 80 feet between Temples and 40 feet between Units or Clubs are to be constantly maintained.
- 9) Impersonations:** No impersonations of ethnic, females, or political figures are not permitted in parades at anytime.
- 10) Insurance:** Each Unit or Club shall submit a list of members owning **motorized vehicles or livestock** used to participate in Jaffa Shrine functions.
- A.** Each motorcycle-type, miniature vehicle car and livestock Units or Clubs shall submit a letter from each insurer, certifying coverage is in force, which the vehicle is being used in a Jaffa Temple event. (Parades, pageants, M.A.S.A. competitions, etc.)
- B.** Each motorcycle-type, miniature vehicle car and livestock Units or Clubs shall produce evidence of insurance of minimum liability limits of 15/30/15 for each vehicle and a certificate that will provide coverage, while participating in a Jaffa Shrine sanctioned event. **(In the absence of availability of this type coverage, insurance is available on a package policy provided by Jaffa Temple's current insurance agent. The cost shall be borne by the participating Units or Clubs.)**
- C.** It shall be the responsibility of the Units or Clubs to ascertain if all Units motorized vehicles and livestock Units or Clubs are insured for legal liability, while participating in ANY Jaffa Temple sanctioned event.
- D.** The Recorder's Office must be notified, by letter, that all these requirements have been met, no later than May 1st of each year or by the first parade date, which ever come first.

11) Jaffa Equipment & Personal Vehicles: Any member operating equipment owned by Jaffa Temple or pulling Jaffa Temple equipment with their personal vehicle **must provide a copy of their current drivers license** to the Recorder's Office prior the driving or pulling Jaffa Temple equipment.

A. Use of Personal Vehicles: At no time shall any Noble use his personal vehicle in a parade with the exception of pulling a piece of Jaffa Temple equipment (Brass Band trailer, Greeters Trailer, etc).

12) Safety Point Vehicles: Any motorized Units or Clubs using motorized vehicles from time to time doing maneuvers during a parade **MUST** have a front and rear safety point vehicle. All maneuvers of the motorized vehicles are to be done between the front and rear safety points vehicles only. **No maneuvers maybe done without safety points being present.**

13) Vehicle Equipment: No motorized vehicle shall engage their sirens, flashing lights or colored lights. They are to use their turn indicators and items required by law.

14) Safety Laws: Motorcycles, scooters and other motorized vehicles shall obey local laws regarding speed, prudent operation and the use of hard helmets instead of fezes as required by local and state laws.

15) Throwing Objects: Neither candy nor objects shall be thrown to spectators along the parade route but may be distributed in a manner that is consistent with the law of the land.

16) Demeaning Displays: No demeaning displays or discharge of firearms of any type, or other items that may be considered in bad taste are permitted.

17) Alcoholic Beverages: Members of participating Units or Clubs shall not drink any alcohol beverages before or during any parade, and they shall be circumspect in the use of soft drinks in public places so as not to give the impression they are drinking alcoholic beverages.

18) Bus Reimbursement: When the use of a charter bus is needed for an event and the Unit(s) or Club(s) makes a commitment at a Unit Head Meeting that members from their Unit(s) or Club(s) will be attending the said event and fails to be present for the event at the time the bus departs, the Unit(s) or Club(s) will be charged **\$25.00** per member they committed to and will be responsible for the amount to be paid back to the front office. The cost of reimbursement (\$25.00) may change as the cost of transportation changes.

A. At anytime non-Shriners (wife, children, etc.) are invited to join us on a trip a fee of **\$5.00** will be collected from all non-Shriners at the time of the trip. The trip fee (**\$5.00**) may change as the cost of transportation changes.

19) Reviewing Stand: A. At Imperial Sessions Parades, a reviewing stand is reserved for the exclusive use of the Imperial Potentate, Imperial officers, Past Imperial Officers and such guests invited by the Imperial Potentate.

B. At the reviewing stand during Imperial Parades, Temple Divans will give the hand salute. The Imperial Potentate (or ranking Imperial Officers) receives the salute.

C. At Association of Temples Parades, the ranking Imperial Officer along with the Association President or Potentate (as appropriate) receives the salute of all Temples. Other Imperial Officers and Association Officers will follow the same procedure as above.

D. At Association of Temples Parades, the Temple Potentates may leave their cars and accept the salutes of their units.

20) Enforcement: Parade Marshals shall enforce all Shrine Parade Rules and Regulations and they shall report any violations to the Potentate of his Temple. Failure on the part of a Temple Potentate to cooperate with Parade Marshals shall be reported in writing.

21) Potentates Responsibly: Each Potentate is personally responsible and accountable for knowingly permitting any violation of parade regulations. Temple Potentates are required to review parade regulations with their Temple Marshals, the Parade Marshal, and their Unit Heads.

➤➤➤These Rules and Regulations are to be followed at all times at all parades even if the Potentate or Unit Head Officers are not present.⚡⚡⚡

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