

WETHERSFIELD MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2024

GENERAL INFORMATION

Starting time is 9:00 a.m.

LINE OF MARCH

Will begin at 8:15 a.m. in the parking lot at the Department of Motor Vehicles on State Street. Your organization's name will be posted in the area you are to assemble in.

Marchers will be lined up on the grassy area between the DMV and the Solomon Welles House. Vehicles and floats will be lined up in the DMV parking lot and on State Street. GET THERE EARLY - Beginning at 8:30 a.m., only parade traffic will be allowed from Hartford Avenue to State Street. Shortly before the parade is to begin, traffic will be closed off on State Street from both directions and access to the Line of March by vehicle will be prohibited.

Parking at the Department of Motor Vehicles will be for those marching only. Those who are simply dropping off individuals who are marching are asked to drop them off and then proceed to the exit. Buses and trailers will be directed to the rear parking lot of the DMV. Buses may pick up marchers at the conclusion of the parade at the First Church of Christ parking lot located on Main Street at the far side of the cemetery.

The Line of March is on the second page of this document and is also posted on the parade's website at www.wethersfieldct.gov/memorial-day. Please note it is subject to change.

PARADE ROUTE

The parade will step off promptly at 9:00 a.m. and will head west on State Street to Nott Street then to Garden Street. We will proceed down Garden Street, left onto Church Street and then right onto Main Street. The parade will continue on Main Street, then take a left back onto Garden Street to Broad Street. The Reviewing Stand will be on the Broad Street Green. We will then proceed north on Broad Street and cross Marsh Street to the Village Cemetery (behind First Church) for the cemetery services. Any marchers not attending the ceremony should be picked up at the end of Broad Street.

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONIES

At the conclusion of the parade, a Memorial Day Ceremony will be held at the Village Cemetery on Marsh Street. It is expected that this ceremony will begin at approximately 10:30am. Guest speakers and parade guests will commemorate the day.

RAIN PLANS

In case of rain, the ceremony will take place at Wethersfield High School, 411 Wolcott Hill Road at 10:00 am. A decision to move indoors will be made by 8:00 a.m. on the morning of the parade. Information about moving indoors will be announced on the Parks and Recreation Department program information line at 860 721-2890. An announcement will be posted on the Wethersfield Parks and Rec website at wethersfieldct.gov/recreation under "Announcements" and on the Wethersfield Parks & Recreation Facebook page.

MISCELLANEOUS REMINDERS

- Distribution of flyers and throwing of candy is not allowed.
- Carrying political signs and campaigning is not allowed.
- Distribution of other types of paraphernalia is not allowed.
- Due to overhanging wires, floats cannot be taller than 16' in height.
- The parade website is wethersfieldct.gov/memorial-day.