

ITALIAN FEST

The Main Street Event
Collinsville, Illinois

Before you begin, please read all the enclosed materials.

Your packet should include the following: (if you are missing any items stop by the Collinsville Chamber of Commerce, 221 W. Main St. or you can download the form from our web site www.italianfest.net or contact festivals@discovercollinsville.com)

1. 2026 Parade Entry Form
2. A copy of the 2026 Rules and Regulations and Policies.
3. Italian Festival Activity Indemnification Agreement

The following items **MUST** be returned with your application.

Mail to: **ITALIAN FEST PARADE**
221 West Main Street
COLLINSVILLE, IL 62234

- ☐ 2026 Parade Entry Form
- ☐ Italian Festival Activity Indemnification Agreement
- ☐ Check for entry fee Check number _____ Amount \$ _____
- ☐ I have read and agree to all the 2026 Parade Rules, Regulations and Policies
- ☐ This page completed and signed

This agreement made by and between the Italian Fest Committee (IFC), (CPI), Collinsville Chamber of Commerce, Inc. (CofC), and _____ (hereinafter Indemnitor):

Indemnitor has made a request to participate in the Italian Fest and should the IFC/CPI/CofC desire to grant the request, the IFC/CPI/CofC desires that it be indemnified and held harmless from any and all liability, cost, and expense resulting or arising from such activity or activities.

NOW THEREFORE, It is agreed by and between the parties that in consideration of the Indemnitor being granted permission to participate in the Italian Fest, Indemnitor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless IFC/CPI/CofC, their members, employees, agents and assigns from any and all claims, demands, losses, expenses, attorney's fees, liabilities, causes of action, and all other liabilities or responsibilities arising directly or indirectly from the activities of Indemnitor in connection with its participation in the Italian Fest which shall include, but not be limited to any negligent, willful, wanton, or intentional acts or omissions made by or on behalf of Indemnitor, Its agents, employees, or assignees, or activities within Its control or supervision.

Dated: _____
Organization/Indemnitor

2026 Parade Entry Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Organization, Group or Business _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: Day _____ Evening _____

Email address: _____ (required)

***TYPE OF ENTRY:** (each entry is limited to one motor vehicle) For the 2026 parade, we will limit the parade to the first 50 entries. Cars and theme decorated floats, will be allowed first.

THEME: "THERE IS NO THEME!"

*If your vehicle is larger than a truck and trailer, please make specific note on the application.

FLOAT Theme: _____
Do you want to be judged? ☐ Yes ☐ No

CLASSIC / UNIQUE CAR

Description _____
Picture may be requested for qualification (**maximum 15 walkers**)

BAND

Description _____
of members in band _____

MARCHING GROUP

Description _____
of members in group _____

OTHER

Description _____

***Entry Fees**

Chamber member	-	\$ 25
Non-Chamber member (commercial/non-profit)	-	\$100
Neighborhood & Youth Groups	-	\$25
Political Entries	-	\$250
City of Collinsville Officials	-	no charge

**Each vehicle will be charged a fee. Make checks payable to Italian Fest. Non-decorated entries are not allowed. Parade lineup is established according to protocol and public safety concerns.*

Entry Fee \$_____

Signature of Applicant

Date _____

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2026 Parade Rules Regulations and Policies

1. Completed and signed parade application must be received by September 6, 2026.
2. Indemnification forms must be signed by every participating organization and returned with your parade application.
3. Collinsville Chamber of Commerce and Italian Fest Committee adopt and amend the rules and regulations of the Italian Fest.
4. **The parade is limited to the first 50 entries; Cars and decorated float entries will be allowed first in the parade. PLEASE NOTE THESE ENTRIES will be allowed in the parade first.**
5. Each entry is limited to **ONE (1) motor vehicle**.
6. All participants in the 2026 Italian Fest must abide by all rules, regulations, and decisions set forth by The Collinsville Chamber of Commerce and Italian Fest Committee.
7. The theme for the parade will be: ***"THERE IS NO THEME!"***.
8. Floats will be judged on appropriateness to the theme, emotional appeal, originality, and overall effect.
Float prizes – 1st Place \$200.00 2nd Place \$100.00 3rd Place \$50.00
9. Decorated vehicles will be judged on appropriateness to the theme, emotional appeal, originality, and overall effect.
Decorated vehicle prize – 1st Place Recognition
10. Candy may be handed out with walkers alongside your unit.
11. No refunds for entry fees will be given for units ejected from the parade.
12. The Parade will start at Hesperia and Main Street. It will go up Main Street to Seminary. It will turn left on Seminary and then left on Clay Street. The Parade will end at Clay and Combs. The parade will not go through the fest grounds.
13. Parade lineup begins at **2:30 pm**. You will receive a map and line up number in the mail.
14. If your application is not accepted for the parade your entry fee will be returned to you.
15. Once you or your organization is accepted into the 2026 parade there are no refunds of entry fees.
16. The parade begins promptly at **4:00 pm** September 19th, 2026.
17. Once you are on the parade route keep your unit moving. Do not stop your unit during the parade unless you are instructed to do so by the parade committee, parade marshals or the Collinsville police.
18. All drivers of motorized vehicles must be 21 years of age or older, must have a valid driver's license, and must have, in their possession the day of the parade, proof of insurance for the vehicle they are driving.

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