



Tampa Riverwalk Holiday Lighted Boat Parade
December 17, 2022
Captain's Instructions

Entry Numbers

- Display and illuminate your entry number so it is visible from the **starboard** side.
- Boats will line up in number order, where practical beginning at the southern tip of Harbour Island and to the south.
- Small boats are numbers 1-90, and big boats are numbers 91-125.
- Boat numbers not issued at the Captain's Party will be available at the Yacht StarShip ticket booth located at 603 Channelside Drive until 4:00 PM on parade day.

Start Times

- The small boat (12' or less air draft) parade route starts at 6:15 PM at the lighthouse southern tip of Harbour Island.
- Large boats (sailboats/higher than 12' or more air draft) will start at the lighthouse in Seddon Channel at 7:15 PM or at the end of the small boats.
- No bridges will be opening.
- Parade route map with viewing times below.

Prizes

- Judges from Big Brother Big Sisters will be located at Sparkman Wharf to determine the best-decorated boats for trophies.
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place trophies (motorboat & sailboat categories) will be published the night of the parade on our website www.thetampariverwalk.com as well as our Facebook page www.facebook.com/tampariverwalk.
- Contact Mary Beth Williams at (813-221-1539 or mwilliams@thetampariverwalk.com) on Monday to arrange for pick up.

Rules for Trophies

- All boats must be registered and display their entry number to be eligible to win a prize.
- Post the entry number on the starboard side of the vessel.
- Parade marshals are located along the route and the judges at Sparkman Wharf must be able to see your boat number.
- Parade will pass between Holiday Island and the Pirate Water Taxi dock.
- Please stay clear of the Holiday Island anchor lines.
- Parade marshals will be stationed at the Convention Center, North River Turn (Armature Works/small boats only), Davis Island (south end Channel Drive) and Sparkman Wharf, to ensure all participants complete the entire parade.

- To be eligible for prizes, you must complete the entire route for your vessel category.

Safety Instructions

- Stay in order when practical, the parade will proceed at approximately 4 – 5 mph.
- Keep gaps to a minimum, but also keep a safe distance.
- **Do not allow gaps to form between boats, please pass slower moving boats (eBoats and pedal boats), we will be maintaining a speed of 4-5 mph. Gaps ruin the parade for spectators, as spectators think the parade is over and leave.**
- Stay out of the way of any commercial traffic, do not zig-zag, and keep a steady course and speed.
- Obey all safety and navigational rules on the water.
- Hillsborough County Sheriff and Tampa Police Marine Units will be on site for the parade.
- Parade may hold up for commercial traffic, be alert.
- Sailboats and vessels (12' air draft or more) that cannot go up the river, will start at the south end of Seddon Channel at approximately 7:15 PM, or after the small boats.

Contact Information Night of Parade

- Troy Manthey VHF-8 or (813) 477-2359 aboard Boat #1 - Lead Boat, Latitude Lindsey II, 45' Crosby Tug Passenger Vessel
- Also, will be monitoring Channel VHF 16.
- MaryBeth Williams, (813) 221-1539, land-based contact located at Sparkman Wharf

