

# VIRGINIA BEACH INTERNATIONAL CARNIVAL

## 2025 MAS BAND APPLICATION

Regal Dynasty  
Crucian Festival  
2025



## BOARDWALK REGULATIONS

- Vehicles are not permitted on the boardwalk prior to 12 pm.
- All modes of transportation need a permit to be on the boardwalk.
- Permits will be distributed at Check-In
- Check-In time: 11:30 AM - Saturday July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025, on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.

## BAND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Band Leader Check-in, on Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup> will be at 11:30 AM. The driver, any band leader (or pre-approved representative) must be present at the time of check-in.
- Bands must be fully operational and in position by 2:00 PM on July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Any band that is not ready to start at their correct time/number will not be able to participate due to schedules and restrictions by the City of Virginia Beach.
- Bands are required to have identifiable internal marshals (one for every ten (10) masqueraders) to ensure order and safety along the parade route.
- Marshalls are responsible for ensuring that all masqueraders remain behind their respective trailers for safety reasons.

Disclaimer: Virginia Beach International Carnival (VBIC) is not responsible for any cost associated with your DJ, Trailers, mode of transport or equipment required by the City of Virginia Beach.

## TRANSPORT REGULATIONS (for boardwalk procession)

**Parade route: Start 2<sup>nd</sup> St to Finish 25<sup>th</sup> St., on the boardwalk.**

Each Mas Band shall provide their own sound, equipment, generator and DJ to play down the boardwalk. The permitted mode of transportation are golf carts with utility trailers. Some Links to golf cart/trailer rentals:

<https://www.luxekarts.com/>; <https://17rentcarts.com/>;

<https://www.mokeamericavirginiabeach.com/>;

<https://www.uhaul.com/Trailers/>

## PAYMENTS

Payment by Cashier's Checks, Money Orders, or Zelle (VBINTLCARNIVAL@gmail.com), payable to Virginia Beach International Carnival or mailed to the below address. Payments to be made with Package submittal.

Registration Fee to be submitted with signed commitment agreement or on/before deadline April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

## WEATHER DATE: TBA

**\*\*Important Dates\*\***

7/17/25 – 7/20/25

Parade Date:

7/19/25

Application & Payment  
due by:

April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Submit pages (3 - 5)  
Keep a copy for your  
records. Rules apply for  
Parade Day ONLY.

**Parade Start Time:**

**2 PM**

**ALL FEES ARE  
NON-REFUNDABLE**

## **Competing Group/Mas Band Registration Fee:**

All bands/Troupe Entry fee - \$100 usd

By signing this agreement and submitting payment you will receive:

- Advertisement on our website as an official VBIC Mas Band.
- The opportunity to participate in the competition and be judged in the different categories.
- Discounted all access mas band passes for Mas band Leaders.

## **Events Passes**

VBIC is offering masqueraders a discounted all-inclusive pass for \$110 usd to be collected by the Mas Band Leader. All fees will be collected by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. All wristbands will be distributed on or before July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to MAS Band Leaders.

Carnival Weekend Paid Events:

- Friday July 18<sup>th</sup>,2025 Concert
- Saturday July 19<sup>th</sup>,2025 J'ouvert
- Sunday July 19<sup>th</sup>,2025 Concert

## **Judging**

There will be a judging period during the parade at the halfway mark. Approximately at 15<sup>th</sup> Street. Location of the judges will be identifiable by the Judging tent. You will be notified prior to arriving at the judging station. Judges will provide a final score. The decision of the judges shall be final and binding. Mas Bands shall be competing for trophies.

Judging categories are as follows:

Best Female

Best Male

Band of the Year 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place

## **Trophies Distribution:**

- Trophies shall be awarded at the discretion of the VBIC committee.
- Winners will be announced, and Trophies will be awarded at a later date.

2025 REGISTRATION FORM – PARADE OF BANDS

Please complete all the information requested. If some information is not applicable, please indicate by entering N/A.

Return original of all signed copies with Registration Fee.

Name of Mas Band: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address City Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Work Home Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: <https://www.>\_\_\_\_\_

Category Entering:

Dimensions (in feet) of Truck/Trailer: Height: Width: Length: \_\_\_\_\_

Theme: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Participants in Mas Band (including marshals, DJ, and driver): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of vehicles on the boardwalk (Max 3): \_\_\_\_\_

Emcee Script Information (print please)

Please provide your theme of your mas band and give a description of your and/troupe/king/queen. Please attach your emcee script to the completed application or use the back of this page, if necessary. Please make the script legible.

\*\*\* Please fill out and return this registration form, completed\*\*\*

## PARADE PARTICIPATION/COMMITMENT AGREEMENT

THIS INDEPENDENT UNIT/BAND/FLOAT/INDIVIDUAL ENTRY AGREEMENT (the “Agreement”) dated as of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025 (circle one) (the “Execution Date”) is entered into by and between VIRGINIA BEACH INTERNATIONAL CARNIVAL Committee and (the” Unit/Band/Float”).

WHEREAS the VIRGINIA BEACH INTERNATIONAL CARNIVAL is the organizing body of the Annual VIRGINIA BEACH INTERNATIONAL CARNIVAL to be held on 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025 in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

WHEREAS the parties desire to set forth in this Agreement the terms and conditions under which a Unit/Band/Float will participate in the Parade of Bands for the Virginia Beach International Carnival on July 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2025.

Bands agree that nothing shall limit the right of Virginia Beach International Carnival Parade Committee to photograph, record, film, videotape, and broadcast and to transmit via the Internet the performance of the said presentation at any event produced by Virginia Beach International Carnival or to utilize them in the marketing and promotion of Virginia Beach International Carnival. It is expressly agreed that Virginia Beach International Carnival. May employ or authorize any third party, including the media, to exercise these rights on its behalf.

The parties hereby represent and warrant that:

- a) It has the right and authority to enter into this agreement
- b) Execution and performance of this agreement will not violate or conflict with the provisions of any agreement by which it is bound.

In consideration of the Band’s consent to allow me to participate in any or all recreational or other activities related to Virginia Beach International Carnival (including without limitation, Miami Carnival. Showcase, Events, festivities), I hereby knowingly, freely, and voluntarily agree to waive, release and discharge any and all claims for damages for death, personal injury, or property damage that may have, or that may subsequently accrue to me as a result of my participation in recreational or other activities offered, afforded, or sponsored by the Band.

Release, indemnification and Waiver: Unit/Band hereby agree on behalf of all members of my band, to hold harmless the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia Beach International Carnival. And all of its individual employees, volunteers, and members, and their respective agents and employees, the Virginia Beach Shops, eateries, restaurants, its owners, employees and agents, and waives any claim against them, jointly or severally, and hereby agree to defend, indemnify, save and hold them harmless from and against any and all claims of any nature including but not limited to bodily injury or death to myself or others, damage to property, attorney fees and costs, and otherwise, occasioned by my/our participation in any Virginia Beach International Carnival 2025 activities. I understand that by agreeing to this clause I am releasing claims and giving up substantial rights, including my right to sue.

Our participation is completely voluntary, and I/we assume all risks and hazards incidental to the activity or event in which I/we are participating.

Conduct: I agree to follow all instructions, procedures, measures, and directions given to me by the Band or any of its staff, or representatives and understand that my failure to do so may result in property damage or injury or death to me or to a third party. I understand that my invitation to participate in recreational or other activities on the Properties may be revoked at any time for any reason by the Band or any of its agents, managers, employees, or representatives.

Independent Unit/Band/Float Status. The relationship between Virginia Beach International Carnival Committee and the Unit/Band shall be solely as independent Unit/Band Contractor and neither party shall be deemed a joint venture, partner, agent, representative or employee of the other.

Unit/Band is solely responsible for securing; at his/her sole cost any insurance as may be required by law.

Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire understanding of the parties and merges and supersedes any prior or contemporaneous agreements between the parties relating to this Agreement's subject matter. This Agreement may not be modified or terminated orally, and no modification, termination, or attempted waiver of any of the provisions shall be binding unless in writing and signed by the party against whom it is sought to be enforced.

All bands are legally bound to deliver full packages to Masqueraders as represented and advertised. Failure to adhere to this obligation may result in Virginia Beach International Carnival imposing fees to address any dissatisfaction.

#### AGREEMENT OF THE RULES & GUIDELINES.

As the Band Leader and on behalf of my band participants, I have read the rules and guidelines for participation, and I understand and agree to adhere to and comply with all the rules and guidelines set forth in this agreement. The Virginia Beach International Carnival committee reserves the right to accept or reject any application without explanation. Failure to comply with the rules and guidelines or on-site instructions will be cause for disqualification and/or removal from the parade and/or competition.

Governing Law. This Agreement is made and executed and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Virginia, without regard to its conflicts of laws principles.

(Participating Group Representative Signature): \_\_\_\_\_

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025.

## 2025 REGISTRATION FORM – NON-COMPETING ENTRIES GENERAL PARTICIPATION

To participate in the parade and to be judged in the various categories, the following registration fee and refundable deposit are required:

Non-Competing Groups/Individuals Registration Fee:

Registration Fee - \$50 per entry.

Please sign all applicable areas and include registration fees with application no later than April 30th, 2025 – No later than May 1st, 2025. Application will not be processed without the appropriate fees. Digital payments can be made **ONLY** through Zelle: **[vbintl carnival@gmail.com](mailto:vbintl carnival@gmail.com)**.

**Make check/money order payable to:**

Virginia Beach International Carnival

4831 COLUMBIS ST.

STE 2175

Virginia Beach VA, 23466

For more information, email Virginia Beach International Carnival Team at [vbintl carnival@gmail.com](mailto:vbintl carnival@gmail.com).

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Please complete all the information requested. If some information is not applicable, please indicate by entering N/A.  
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Name of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

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