

# 5th Annual Holiday Home Decorating Contest

**“Let’s make this holiday season the brightest one yet”**

## **RULES & INSTRUCTIONS**

### **Important Dates:**

**Entry Registration Period:** 11/01/24 – 12/02/24

**Judging Period:** 12/9/24 – 12/11/24

**Winners Announced & Prizes Given out:** 12/14/24



**Please read** these rules and instructions and if you have any questions contact the office at (908) 876-5941 or email [recreation@wtmorris.net](mailto:recreation@wtmorris.net). Registration form is available on the Recreation website [recreation.wtmorris.org](http://recreation.wtmorris.org).

1. Entry is free, no cost or fees apply.
2. Participation is open to all residents within Washington Township, Long Valley, NJ.
3. **Entry Registrations must be received no later than 2pm on Monday, December 2, 2024.**
4. Contest is for exterior decorations only, including decorations in windows that are visible from the exterior. Judging will be done from outside the residence only. Judges will not enter property to view back or side yards. Decorations located on the street side of the property will be judged.
5. Participants agree to have one or more photos of their decorated residence exterior posted on the Recreation’s website and social media pages.
6. **Judging criteria** will include:
  - **1<sup>st</sup> place**
  - **2<sup>nd</sup> place**
  - **3<sup>rd</sup> place**
  - **Mayor’s Award**
7. Depending on the number of entries **judging will be done from dusk to 8pm 12/9/24 through 12/11/24**. Participants should ensure that all lights, animations and decorations are in place and activated for the judging periods on all days.
8. Prizes are awarded based on a winner.
9. Winners will be announced at a special award ceremony scheduled for **Saturday, December 14, 2024 at 4pm at Rock Spring Park at the “Jolly Jamboree.”** Winners will be presented with a signage for their yard and a prize.
10. Winners must have a representative present so that photos can be taken.

**\*\* Please make sure the house number is visible from the street\*\***

***Be creative, be festive, and have fun!***

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## **REGISTRATION FORM**

Get ready to bring out your holiday lights, inflatable decorations, and everything festive-it's that time of year again!

This is your chance to transform your home into a winter wonderland. Whether you go for a classic holiday look with twinkling lights or a creative theme, whatever it is we want to see your festive spirit shine!

Winners will be announced and presented with a prize and signage for their yard at our "Jolly Jamboree" scheduled for Saturday, December 14, 2024 at 4pm at Rock Spring Park Pavilion.

To compete in this contest, an entry form showing intent to participate must be completed, signed, and submitted to Washington Township Recreation, no later than **Monday, December 2, 2024 by 2pm**. The registration form can be mailed to Washington Township Recreation, 50 Rock Road, Long Valley, NJ 07853, faxed to (908) 876-0029, or emailed to [recreation@wtmorris.net](mailto:recreation@wtmorris.net).

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

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Entry Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Read and Initial:** I am fully aware that no interaction is allowed whatsoever with the judges should you be present at your home when they come around. Do not greet them, do not invite them inside, and no contact is allowed. I am fully aware of the risks inherent and hereby give my consent to participate in this activity offered by Washington Township Recreation. I hereby release Washington Township, any of its elected or appointed officials, employees, and volunteers from any and all liability from injuries, claims, demands, costs, loss of services, expenses or damages sustained by me, us, or our minor children due to our participation in said event. **Participants must agree to have photos and/or videos of their decorated residence exterior posted on Washington Township's social media pages and website** \_\_\_\_\_

**Initials**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_