

**The Highway 50 Association 76th Annual Wagon Train**  
**May 31 through June 7th, 2025**

**Rules of the Road**

The Hwy 50 Association Wagon Train Wagon Master will be in complete charge of the Wagon Train.

1. Teamsters or other participants may not assume responsibility of a minor unless they present parental permission In Writing, a copy to be attached to registration form.
2. Every Participant is required to register and complete the appropriate registration forms.
3. Your issued identification is non-transferable and must be visible at all times.
4. All participants must be in 1840's to 1870's Western or Mountain Man attire, suitable to the Wagon Train theme, for the entire trip. No Baseball caps, t-shirts, bare midriffs, shorts, cutoffs, halter tops.
5. Horse riders and wagons will be assigned positions within the train by the Wagon Master.
6. All wagons, buggies, etc., are for the sole use of the owner or owner's designated teamster.
7. There will be NO stud horses allowed on any part of the trip.
8. A notorious kicking horse shall be identified by a Red Ribbon on its tail, and will stay at the rear of the train.
9. No ponying of colts or animals by teamsters or outriders.
10. No bareback riding in camp or on the road.
11. All animals are to be kept off lawns and out of food service areas.
12. When traveling, riders stay on the pavement or road and within the width of the wheelbase of the wagon, and always to the RIGHT of the center line.
13. There will be no riding double at any time, on or off the highway.
14. Horses shall be kept at a walk in all camp and eating areas.
15. All wagons, buggies, etc., shall be of the authentic era.
16. Participants will be taken off the wagon train if they consume any mind-altering substance, alcoholic beverage or have any open containers of alcohol (cans or bottles) while traveling on the highway or any public street while the train is in progress.
17. Highway 50 Association will furnish, to the best of its ability, overnight parking for the wagons and horses, and space for one vehicle for each wagon and working Buck skinners. We will try to accommodate as many of the remaining vehicles as possible at our overnight areas. If there is not enough room, the remainder of the vehicles will have to make their own arrangements. There will be NO SHUTTTLING of vehicles ahead of the Wagon Train unless otherwise notified by the Wagon Master. Violators will be asked to leave. Shuttle service will be provided after the Wagon Train has been parked for the night. Only one (1) designated driver will be allowed per vehicle to be shuttled. Shuttle passes will be issued at the time of registration. There will be no parking of vehicles in the designated overnight areas without authorization (Official Parking Pass displayed).
18. No advertising without consent and approval of the Wagon Train Committee. Sponsors signs will be in proportion to the size of the wagon or buggy.
19. **NO DOGS ALLOWED without permission from the wagon master.**
20. No live ammunition or blanks will be allowed.
21. All horses must be shod. (Borium, composition, boots or caulked shoes).
22. Some suggested equipment includes canteens, rain gear, lead ropes and halters, sleeping bags, water bucket, salt tablets, electrolytes, first aid kits for both animals and humans, folded quilt or pillow for wagon seat, sunscreen.
23. Absolutely NO WALKING with train.

24. Any participant will be taken off the Wagon Train for substance use (this includes alcohol), unnecessary profanity, or disorderly conduct. This is a Bi-State recognized historic event with a good reputation. We need to work together to maintain this honored status.
25. Due to precise schedules worked out with the California Highway Patrol, Cal-Trans, and the Highway 50 Association, any participant not ready to leave when the train pulls out will be left behind. Stragglers will NOT be allowed to catch up.
26. **NOTE:** Each horseback rider and each teamster is totally responsible for the care, maintenance and security of his/her animal(s). Health issues should be addressed promptly, and special attention to safety and security in tying or corralling is mandatory, and is the sole responsibility of the teamster/horseback rider.
27. No smoking allowed on the trail.
28. Riding helmets are optional.

### General Information

1. Every Participant is required to register! Each participant will be issued identification, which must be displayed at all times.
2. Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. A properly executed registration, minor's consent and medical release forms must be presented with the registration form.
3. This is our 76th Anniversary run, during which we may enjoy the participation of school children having a non-classroom Living History experience. Please register early as space is limited. Include your check or money order with your form. For one day riders, there will be a daily registration prior to breakfast. No registration will be accepted after 8 p.m. on Friday, June 6th at the Community Center at Pollock Pines, CA.
4. A limited number of seats are available for wagon passengers. Every effort will be made to accommodate your needs. However, seating cannot be guaranteed beyond "first come-first assigned" with registrations.
5. Make all checks and money orders payable to Highway 50 Association. Pre-registration fees are refundable only if we are notified at least five (5) days prior to departure. Emergency circumstances must be approved by the Board and voted by the Membership. YOUR CANCELLED CHECK IS YOUR RECEIPT. Any returned check is subject to the appropriate service charge or legal process if necessary for collection.
6. Mail your registration to: HIGHWAY 50 ASSOCIATION, P.O. Box 454, Placerville, CA 95667
7. Daily Departure Times will be announced by the Wagon Master at the prior evening's meeting and will be posted on a Board at the Lead Hitch.

**I HAVE READ THE "RULES OF THE ROAD" AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE TERMS THEREIN.**

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Signature

Date

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