

WATERMELON EATING CONTEST

RULES

- **Entries are limited to the amount of watermelon available. Registration begins at 2:30 PM and will continue until all spots are filled or time for the contest to start, whichever occurs first.**
- All Contestants must complete an Entry Form and Waiver. All contestants age 5 - 15 years old must have a parent complete an Entry Form and Waiver.
- The object is to be the fastest person to eat a slice of watermelon down to the rind.
- **NO HANDS MAY BE USED.** Contestants must place their hands behind their backs while eating the watermelon.
- A contestant may not leave his / her designated spot for any reason during the contest.
- Any visible signs of sickness will cause disqualification.
- The watermelon must be consumed. It may not be spit out.
- Contestants must not touch/eat any watermelon until the start signal is given.
- If seed spitting is required then it must be done on the contestant's own plate. Seeds discharged in any direction or into another contestant's area will be immediately disqualified.
- The first person to finish his/her watermelon and stand upright will end the contest and be declared the winner. Judges will decide if the watermelon is actually finished before ending the contest.
- In the event of a tie - whichever one of the tied contestants who, in the opinion of the judges, ends up wearing the most watermelon and the biggest smile will be declared the overall winner.
- Any complaint relative to the size of the watermelon slice must be lodged with the judge prior to the start of the contest.

**City of Green Cove Springs
2022 Memorial Day Festival
WATERMELON EATING CONTEST WAIVER**

I hereby agree, acknowledge, and accept the following:

I am 16 years of age or older, or I am a parent of a 5-15 year old contestant.

I know that eating a watermelon at a fast rate of speed is potentially a hazardous and uncomfortable activity. I should not enter and eat unless I am medically able to abide by any decision of the contest officials and abide by any and all contest rules. I assume all risks associated with eating in the event including, but not limited to, indigestion, stretched stomach, contact with other contestants, a general dislike of watermelon when done, and all such risks being known and appreciated by me.

Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of the City of Green Cove Springs accepting my entry, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive, and release the City of Green Cove Springs and any volunteers and sponsors from all claims on liabilities of any kind arising from participation in this event. I also understand that the above is also related to any food allergies, that I hold harmless the City of Green Cove Springs and any volunteers or sponsors from all claims of liability of any kind.

By signing below, I certify that the information provided on this entry form is correct and that I have carefully read, understand, and accept the terms of the contest. My signature indicates my understanding and assumption of any and all risk and that my participation is voluntary in this contest. I also authorize pictures and photographs of myself to be used in the promotion of this event and future events.

Contestant's Name:

Date:

Time:

Contestant's Signature:

Parent's Signature:

**City of Green Cove Springs
2022 Memorial Day Festival
WATERMELON EATING CONTEST ENTRY FORM**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact Number: _____

Do you have any known food allergies? _____

If so, please list _____

**ALL CONTESTANTS
MUST READ & SIGN WAIVER
ON BACK OF THE ENTRY FORM**