

Moody's

Christmas

DECK THE HALLS CONTEST

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

CHOOSE: _____ RESIDENTIAL OR _____ COMMERCIAL (SEE ATTACHED RULES)

Residents of Moody are encouraged to help capture the Spirit of Christmas and decorate their homes or place of business to participate in the Deck the Halls Decorating Contest.

Rules

1. The contest is open to residents and businesses in the city limits of Moody.
2. Entry forms must be received by December 8, 2026.
3. Judging will take place on December 11th and winners will be announced on December 14th At the City Council Meeting at 6pm.

Contest participants should turn on their lights at 6:00 – 9:00 p.m., December 11th. Entry forms should be turned in to Moody City Hall or email to ceastis@moodyalabama.gov.

Call Callie Jo Eastis with any questions at (205)640-0307.

Have fun decorating and let the spirit of the holidays shine!

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RULES

FOR BUSINESS/COMMERCIAL ENTRIES

1. Who may enter: Businesses located within Moody city limits with a current city business license. One entry per business location. Obtain the property owner's permission before decorating leased or shared areas.
2. What to decorate: Decorate your storefront, windows, or business exterior with a Christmas theme. Displays must be visible from a safe, publicly accessible viewing area.
3. Keep access clear: Keep decorations and cords out of streets, public rights-of-way (not in front of power poles), sidewalks, parking spaces, and drive aisles. Do not block entrances, emergency exits, accessible routes, fire hydrants, or fire department access.
4. Decorate safely: Secure all decorations. Use lights and electrical equipment rated for their intended location, avoid overloaded outlets, and prevent trip hazards. All displays must comply with applicable city building, electrical, and fire codes. Obtain any required permits for electrical work or structural alterations.
5. Protect traffic and neighbors: Decorations must not obstruct drivers' views, hide traffic signs, resemble traffic signals, or create distracting glare. For this contest, use steady lighting and do not use outdoor amplified music, horns, sirens, or other noisy effects.
6. Follow city sign requirements: Temporary holiday signs, banners, displays, and decorations may qualify for the city's holiday exemption. Ordinary business advertising and permanent sign changes must meet applicable sign requirements. Contest entry does not replace any required permit or approval. Contact Building/Inspections at (205) 640-0310 if unsure.
7. Judging and awards: The Moody Small Business Advisory Board will judge on December 11th, from 6–9 p.m. Have all lights and decorations operating during that time. Entries will be judged on creativity, originality, theme, and workmanship. Judges' decisions are final. Winners will be recognized at the December 14th City Council Meeting. Winners will be contacted prior to the council meeting.
8. Maintain your display: Keep decorations safe and in good condition throughout the contest. Organizers may disqualify an entry if unsafe conditions or confirmed code violations are not corrected before judging. Remove temporary decorations promptly after the holiday season.