



MISS RODEO USA CONTACT INFORMATION

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Dear Potential Miss Teen Rodeo USA Contestant,

We are pleased that you are considering competing for the title of Miss Teen Rodeo USA! If you are interested in entering, here are the key things for you to do. If you have questions at any time, please do not hesitate to call or email for clarification. We are here for you!

APPLICATION CHECKLIST (further details about each listed below):

1. Application
2. Notarized Waiver
3. Size Chart
4. Photo (Headshot)
 - a. High resolution JPEG file (emailed)
 - b. Printed 8.10 color photo (mailed)
5. Entry Fee
6. Camping Fee if staying on-site
7. Stall Fee
8. Raffle Ticket Sales
 - a. Payment for raffle tickets sold

Items 1-7 due together at entry date of contestant's choosing. Raffle Ticket Money to be turned in at Registration during the pageant.

For April 30 Entry: (\$250)
 Items 1,2,3, 4a emailed by April 30, 2024
 -Items 4b,5,6,7 postmarked (mailed) by April 30, 2024.
 If you choose to pay online, these items must be mailed by April 30 and online payment for 5,6,7 must be made by April 30, 2024

For May 31 Entry: (\$300)
 Items 1,2,3, 4a emailed by May 31, 2024
 -Items 4b,5,6,7 postmarked (mailed) by May 31, 2024.
 If you choose to pay online, these items must be mailed by May 31 and online payment for 5,6,7 must be made by May 31, 2024

For June 15 Entry: (\$350)
 Items 1,2,3, 4a emailed by June 15, 2024
 -Items 4b,5,6,7 postmarked (mailed) by June 15, 2024.
 If you choose to pay online, these items must be mailed by May 31 and online payment for 5,6,7 must be made by June 15, 2024

APPLICATION CHECKLIST: Additional Details

1. *Application*
 - a. The application can be found at <http://www.missrodeousa.com/application.html>.
 - b. Download the Word document and fill out the application in its entirety. Available space for each answer is limited; please keep content within each provided table and do not alter the application format. In addition, **text size is to be no smaller than size 12 point.**
 - c. Save your completed application as **Word document-do not change the file type.**

- d. Please pay attention to word limits on some questions within the application!
- e. Platform must include a brief title describing your platform.
- f. Biography should be written in THIRD person.
- g. **IMPORTANT:** Initial the statement on the last page of application acknowledging the following: *As a contestant of the Miss Teen Rodeo USA Pageant, I understand that my application information will be provided to the judges UNEDITED by the Miss Rodeo USA Association, including but not limited to leaving grammatical errors, typos, or formatting issues. However, the Miss Rodeo USA Association reserves the right to correct such issues for the purpose of advertising only. The original document is the one that the judges will receive.*

2. Notarized waiver

- a. The waiver can be found at <http://www.missrodeousa.com/application.html>.
- b. Download the PDF document and print. Sign and have the document notarized
- c. Scan document (with signature and notary stamp/signature). Scanned document is preferred but if you must, you may take a photo of the signed/notarized waiver. If submitting a photo, please ensure that it is legible, clear, and high resolution JPEG.
- d. Email it and all other application documents to the MRUSA association at missrodeousainfo@gmail.com.
- e. **Important:** Please mail original to Miss Rodeo USA Association, 2701 Co. Rd 245, Moulton, AL 35650-or turn it in at the start of pageant. You will not be allowed to compete without having the original turned in.

3. Size Chart

- a. The size chart can be found at <http://www.missrodeousa.com/application.html>.
- b. Download the word document and fill out the form in its entirety. We highly advise you to be honest on this form! You could be asked to wear sponsored items at Miss Teen Rodeo USA Pageant events; therefore, you will want your clothing to fit properly. The form will not be public information.
- c. Email it and all other application documents to missrodeousainfo@gmail.com

4. Photos

- a. Email a **high resolution image** of your headshot to the MRUSA Association at missrodeousainfo@gmail.com.
- b. Provide the official photographer copyright waiver with image if necessary.
- c. If the photo is not of high enough quality, it may be rejected.
- d. Provide one **8x10 printed** headshot via mail. Use the address above.

5. Entry Fees

- a. If application items 1-6 on the checklist are:
 - Received by April 30-\$250 Entry Fee
 - Received by May 31- \$300 Entry Fee
 - Received by June 15-\$350 Entry Fee
- b. As a courtesy, if you are submitting an application between May 31 and June 15, please inform the Miss Rodeo USA Association as to when we can expect your application by emailing missrodeousainfo@gmail.com.
- c. Entries are not allowed after June 15, 2024 unless approved at the board's discretion.
- d. Entry Fee Payment
 - Entry Fees are non-refundable and non-transferable once received by the Miss Rodeo USA Association. In the event that you cannot compete due to illness, entry fees may be applied to EITHER the 2025 Miss Rodeo USA Clinic OR the 2025 Miss Teen Rodeo USA Pageant if and only if you submit a written doctor's excuse to the Chairman of the Board prior to the onset of the competition. Once the contest begins, this no longer applies.
 - Entry fees may be paid by Cashier's Check, mailed with your application and made payable to Miss Rodeo USA Association, on our website via credit card, or by Venmo to @MRUSAassociation.
 - Please add a memo indicating what the fee is for: for example, entry fee, stall fee, camp site, etc.

6. Lodging

- a. RV Spots are available at the rodeo grounds. Cost is \$250 for the week. Payment due with your application. You must fill out the form located on our website and email to missrodeousainfo@gmail.com when you submit your application. DO NOT GO ON THE IYFR WEBSITE AND GET A FORM OR RESERVE A SPOT.
- b. If you are not camping at the rodeo grounds, our host hotel is Grand Casino Hotel & Resort; 777 Grand Casino Blvd; Shawnee OK. 405-964-7777. You must mention the room block for "Miss Teen". Room rate is \$104/night plus tax.

7. Horses

- a. For horsemanship and carrying flags during the rodeo, you may use your own horse or a borrowed/leased horse
- b. If you prefer to lease a horse locally, we recommend 5 Star Quarter Horses out of Pauls Valley, OK. Faith Campbell, owner, 405-207-8807

8. Stalls

- a. Regardless of whether you lease or bring your own horse, you must reserve a stall. Stalls are \$100 for the week and fee is due at time of application. When you send your application electronically, indicate the day of your arrival and departure in the email. **DO NOT GO TO THE IFYR WEBSITE TO RESERVE A STALL.**
- b. It is your responsibility to take care of your horse and keep your stall clean during competition. Stall checks/welfare checks for animals are made on a regular basis. Failure to properly take care of your horse/your leased horse could result in disqualification.

9. Coggins/Health Papers

- a. Remember to bring a hard copy of your horse's negative Coggins and health papers to leave on file at the arena.
- b. Health papers ARE required for any out of state horse.
- c. Negative Coggins required on ALL horses.

10. Fundraising

- a. Requirements: as part of the MTRUSA Pageant Eligibility Requirements, each contestant is required to sell at least \$500 worth of raffle tickets. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. You will receive your raffle tickets once your application is submitted. Please let Marsha know how many tickets you want. You may request additional tickets at any time. Raffle ticket prize is \$500 cash.
- b. If fundraising equal to \$500 is not accomplished, the contestant is still responsible for providing payment of \$500 to the Miss Rodeo USA Association to ensure eligibility as a contestant-with or without raffle tickets. Raffle ticket sales money is due at Registration on the first day of the pageant.
- c. Contestants who are not in good financial standing prior to the start of orientation will not be allowed to compete-no exceptions.
- d. A trophy saddle will be awarded to the contestant with the highest raffle ticket sales. In order to be eligible for the saddle, a minimum of \$1000 in raffle sales must be accomplished.

GENERAL PAGEANT INFORMATION

Pageant will be held July 9-12 in Shawnee, Oklahoma in conjunction with the International Youth Finals Rodeo.

Check in will be July 10 only, **no exceptions.**

You will give a prepared introduction, have a personal interview with the judges, an on-stage interview related to your platform, take a written test, compete in horsemanship, give a prepared speech, and carry flags at 7 rodeo performances.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE AND WARDROBE GUIDELINES (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

1. Monday, July 8: Check In 10:00-3:00 pm Shawnee Expo Center: 1700 W. Independence Street; Shawnee, Oklahoma 74804

- a. Judges will not be present. Specific instructions will be provided at later date.
- b. You must have your Coggins results and health papers (health papers for out of state horses only) at check in. You will be taken to your stall and RV spot if camping on-site

2. Tuesday, July 9

- a. Registration, Orientation, Introductions, Platform Impromptu and On-Stage Interview, Personal Interview, and Written Test
Wardrobe: ONE OUTFIT. There will be no time for a clothing change. -Contestants Choice: must include long sleeves, hat, belt, and boots; some examples include jeans, pants, skirt, long sleeve shirt, vest, jacket, or dress.
- b. Rodeo: Rodeo Outfits: must include long sleeve shirt, hat, belt, boot, and jeans

3. Wednesday, July 10

- a. Morning Rodeo: Rodeo Outfits: must include long sleeve shirt, hat, belt, boot, and jeans
- b. Horsemanship: Horsemanship Outfit: must include long sleeve shirt, hat, belt, boots, and jeans
- c. Horsemanship Interview: you may change or remain in your horsemanship outfit. You will have time to freshen up
- d. Evening Rodeo: Rodeo Outfits: must include long sleeve shirt, hat, belt, boot, and jeans

4. Thursday, July 11

- a. Morning rodeo: Rodeo Outfits: must include long sleeve shirt, hat, belt, boot, and jeans
- b. Speech and Modeling: Western Elegance: Rodeo queen dress with boots and hat. Length of your choice.
- c. Evening rodeo: Rodeo Outfits: must include long sleeve shirt, hat, belt, boot, and jeans

5. Friday, July 12

- a. Morning Rodeo: Outfits: must include long sleeve shirt, hat, belt, boot, and jeans
- b. Fun Activity: IFYR tshirt (provided) and jeans or shorts of appropriate length
- c. Coronation: Outfits: must include long sleeve shirt, hat, belt, boot, and jeans
Coronation will be in the arena prior to the start of the evening rodeo
Immediately following coronation ALL contestants will be required to carry sponsor flags

6. Saturday, July 13

- a. Contract signing for new Miss Teen Rodeo USA
- b. First official photo shoot for Miss Teen Rodeo USA 2024-2025

GENERAL/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING CLOTHING:

1. We have provided a **TENTATIVE** schedule/outline for you. It gives a brief description of what you should plan to bring as your competition wardrobe. This is not a competition where the contestant with the most expensive wardrobe wins. It is perfectly fine to repeat all or part of an outfit.

GENERAL PAGEANT INFORMATION:

- Horsemanship pattern is posted.
- Detailed schedule with locations of events and addresses will be posted well in advance of the pageant.
- For the Platform Impromptu Questions & Onstage Interviews: you will write about your platform on your application. This should be something that you are passionate about. The Impromptu Questions will be personality-type questions and the onstage interview will be questions about your platform.
- Your prepared speech should be 2-3 minutes in length and can be about your state, your hometown, or a sponsor, or 'What USA Means to Me'.
- For Written Test, study IPRA website, Miss Rodeo USA website, IFYR website, horse related topics, and current events.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Outside photography, whether professional or personal (camera or phone) is not permitted during the pageant events. Sherry Smith Photography will be present to ensure that all memories are captured and will have photo packages for sale.

SCORING

At the culmination of the 2024 Miss Teen Rodeo USA Pageant, the queen and runners-up will receive their scores via email. Others wishing to see their cumulative score must request the score via email within 2 weeks of pageant to missrodeousainfo@gmail.com.

We are excited about your interest in becoming a part of our Miss Rodeo USA family. Please let us know if we may answer any questions for you! Application submission and questions regarding the application/pageant preparation, please refer to:

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