



Dear Applicants,

Thank you for expressing interest in participating in the Miss Rodeo Canada (MRC) Pageant. As many of you know, we are a new MRC organization, located in Edmonton, and we will do our best to make this a very special and unforgettable experience for all MRC applicants.

We encourage all applicants to read through the MRC Application Package thoroughly, fill out each section in full, and familiarize themselves with the information within the package. The list below serves as a checklist for the documentation required with your application. Entries close Friday July 30, 2010.

A complete application package must include:

- 1) Entry Fee
- 2) Point Form Resume on plain white paper
- 3) Driver's Abstract
- 4) Criminal Record Check
- 5) Photographs with Photographer's Release
- 6) Complete MRC Application Form
- 7) Complete Medical Information
- 8) Background Form
- 9) Signed Statutory Declaration
- 10) Signed Waiver of Liability Form
- 11) Signed MRC Acknowledgement and Release
- 12) Signed Sponsoring Rodeo Declaration of Authorization Form
- 13) 2 References

Your completed package must be received (Not Postmarked) by Friday July 30, 2010. Please leave sufficient time to have the packages delivered by this date. Packages received after this date will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

Address: Miss Rodeo Canada
P.O. Box 4240
Edmonton, AB
T6E 4T2

Our entire organization is looking forward to welcoming you to the 2010 Miss Rodeo Canada Pageant. Please direct all Pageant questions to Eleanor Fulton at downtownea@shaw.ca.

Yours Very Truly,

Dr. Robert D. Steadward, O.C., LLD
President



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Welcome to the Miss Rodeo Canada Pageant

The rewards for competing in the Miss Rodeo Canada Pageant are substantial.. Each participant has the opportunity to garner one of the richest experiences of her life and at the same time create a solid foundation for her future endeavors. Lifelong friendships are made and many doors are opened to all participants.

During the week of the competition, pageant participants are judged but not restricted to the following categories:

- Horsemanship
- Public Speaking
- Personal Interview
- Rodeo Knowledge
- Overall Personality, Poise and Maturity

Intelligence and common sense are a big factor in the personality division. Education and conversational ability in such topics as professional rodeo, current events and other areas are vital. The Judges place special emphasis on grammar and enunciation. The applicant should radiate self-confidence and display maturity, high moral standards, sincerity and integrity. Miss Rodeo Canada Pageant participants should have the ability to project their personality, whether it is from horseback in an arena, on television promoting rodeo and our western heritage, or before an audience. Also considered are a sense of humor, showmanship, ambition, desire, enthusiasm and a happy outlook on life in general.

For appearance, participants should be aware of what constitutes fashionable western dress and be knowledgeable on current trends in the western wear industry. Attractiveness includes neatness and cleanliness in every detail. Meticulous care in general grooming is essential for a participant to be considered for the title of Miss Rodeo Canada. Pageant participants are responsible for supplying their own personal western attire for all events.

The horsemanship competition is a vital part of the Miss Rodeo Canada Pageant and reign. Miss Rodeo Canada is introduced during professional rodeo performances, rides in parades and makes countless other appearances where she is expected to ride a horse. Being able to handle any horse is essential. During the competition, participants draw the 1st horse they will compete on in the horsemanship competition. They will switch a minimum of 3 times.

Your personal initiative is welcomed and may the completion of your application be rewarded with the opportunity to participate in this year's Miss Rodeo Canada Pageant. On behalf of Miss Rodeo Canada, **GOOD LUCK.**



Miss Rodeo Canada Applicant Provisions

- Entry Closing Date:** Completed applications must be received on or before **Friday July 30, 2010.**
- Eligibility:** In order to be eligible to participate in the competition, the applicant must:
- 1) Be a female who is a minimum of 18 years of age as of December 31st of her application submission year and not over the age of 25 as of the concluding December 31st of her reign.
 - 2) Never have been married or lived common-law, been pregnant, had a child or pleaded guilty to or found guilty of a criminal offence.
 - 3) Be a Queen or Princess from a C.P.R.A. approved rodeo within the last two years.
 - 4) Be a Canadian Citizen.
 - 5) Have a valid driver's license which has never been suspended.
 - 6) Never have held a Miss Rodeo Canada Title.
- Note:** An application elimination process may be held at the discretion of the Miss Rodeo Canada Board.
- Entry Fee:** A non-refundable entry fee of **\$400.00** payable to the Miss Rodeo Canada Pageant is necessary to complete the entry application.
- Point Form Resume:** A point form resume no longer than two pages is required. The document should be typed, double-spaced and organized in the chronologically, functionally or a combination thereof, and in the applicant's personal style. Handwritten resumes will not be accepted. **Resumes must be on plain white paper.**
- Driver's Abstract:** The original and one photocopy of the contestant's current, valid driver's abstract are required with the entry application package. MRC is responsible for insurance covering a clean driver's abstract. **Additional costs of alternative or additional insurance will be the responsibility of the applicant.**
- Criminal Record Check:** A criminal record check issued no more than 30 days prior to submission is required by all applicants. The cost of the criminal record check is the responsibility of the applicant.
- Photographs:** Photographs are required for marketing materials including media promotions and programs. Please send one color and one black and white headshot on cd in high and low resolution format. One 8" x 10" photo of your choice is also required.
- Note:** **Photographer's release must accompany the photographs or they cannot be used. Crown and White Banner must be clearly visible in both photographs.**
- Personal Biography for Marketing purposes, approximately 120 words.**



Miss Rodeo Canada Application Form

Please provide the following information:

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Present Address: _____

(Town/City)

(Province)

(Postal Code)

Phone:

Residence: (_____) _____ Mobile: (_____) _____

Work: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

Specific title to be used (i.e. Miss Rodeo Canada): _____

Name of Sponsoring Rodeo Association: _____

Association Contact Person:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ E-mail: _____

Emergency Contact Person: _____

Contact phone numbers: _____

1. Known allergies (food, drugs, insects or other) _____

Explanation of reaction and indicate treatment/medicine used _____

(Please bring medication with you)

2. Describe any past operations, serious injuries, or chronic illnesses that may affect your participation in the Miss Rodeo Canada Pageant. _____

Background

NOTE: In the following section please concisely describe your response. Specific dates should also be included in order to define the time frame in which your accomplishments were achieved.

1. Educational History: _____

2. Scholastic achievements: _____

3. Rodeo, Horse Show and other horse activities which you participate in or received recognition for:

4. Volunteer work performed within the last year & the benefit you received from this: _____

5. Career Goals: _____

6. Financial ability and expectations. MRC is non-paying, full time commitment for at least one full year. Please outline your current financial situation and explain (briefly) how you plan to manage your finances during the year of your anticipated reign _____

Statutory Declaration

I, _____ solemnly declare that:

a.) I have read and understand the questions, information and instructions in this form and attachments and the answers I have given to the questions in this form and in any attachments to it are true and correct; and

b.) I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing it is of the same legal force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act; and

DECLARED before me at the City of _____ in the Province of

_____ this _____ day of _____, 201__.

(Signature of Applicant)

Signature of Notary Public or Commissioner
for Oaths in and for the Province of Alberta
(if declared in Alberta)

Appointment Expiration Date: _____

This form must be declared before a person who is a notary public in and for the jurisdiction in which it is declared. It may be declared before a Commissioner for Oaths for Alberta if declared in Alberta.



WAIVER OF LIABILITY

In consideration of my application being accepted, I hereby for myself and my executors, administrators and assigns agree to abide by all rules and regulations pertaining to the Miss Rodeo Canada Pageant and I assume no responsibility of liability for any loss, accident or injury, whether as to property or person, arising in any way out of the operation or activities of the committee or management in any event or part of any performance or while in, on or about the premises of the Miss Rodeo Canada Pageant in Edmonton, Alberta. As for the consideration aforesaid I further agree to indemnify the committee and management from and against loss or damage sustained by it by reason of any claims made by and of my executors, administrators and assigns. Further, I hereby release the right, title and claim to any photographs that may be taken by the management for their use. I certify that I know the rules of the aforementioned competition and agree to abide by those rules. I have read the foregoing Waiver of Liability carefully and I fully understand the meaning and effect of same.

Date: _____

Province of _____, Canada

Witness

Applicant



Miss Rodeo Canada Acknowledgement and Release

This is an assumption of risk and release of liability. By becoming Miss Rodeo Canada, you (Applicant) are agreeing to assume certain risks and to release the "Miss Rodeo Canada", the Canadian Professional Rodeo Association, Edmonton Northlands, Rexall Place, the City of Edmonton and other parties from liability.

PLEASE READ THIS PROVISION CAREFULLY.

Applicant acknowledges and agrees that if she is selected as Miss Rodeo Canada, she will be bound by the Rules and Regulations governing the provisions of the Miss Rodeo Canada Agreement and by the following assumptions of risk and release of liability.

Applicant acknowledges that rodeos generally are dangerous activities by their inherent nature and that participants in a rodeo in areas to which access to the general public is restricted (including, without limitation, the rodeo arena, chutes, pens and other areas reserved an intending for use or access by the rodeo participants or otherwise restricted to the general public) exposes the participant to substantial and serious hazards and risk of property damage, personal injury and/or death. Applicant acknowledges that her participation in C.P.R.A. sanctioned rodeos and in other activities as Miss Rodeo Canada, such as (but not limited to) parades and public appearances, (collectively the "Activities") likewise involved and may expose property damage, personal injury and/or death. Applicant, in consideration of being permitted to participate in the activities in any capacity, does by such participation agree to assume such hazards and risk and does hereby discharge, waive, and release "Miss Rodeo Canada", the C.P.R.A., C.P.R.A. properties, Edmonton Northlands, Rexall Place, the City of Edmonton and any other organization conducting, sponsoring or in any manner involving itself with the subject rodeo (and such persons' or entities' affiliated, related or subsidiary companies and their respective officers, directors, employees, and agents) from all claims, demands, and liabilities for any and all property damage, personal injury and/or death occasioned the Applicant's participation in or involvement with the risks and hazards aforesaid. The Applicant shall not now or any time in the future, directly or indirectly, commence or prosecute any action, suit or other proceeding against the parties so released arising out of, or related to, the claims, demands, liabilities and other responsibilities so discharged, waived and released by such Applicant. The undertakings and covenants of the foregoing provisions shall be binding upon each Applicant, her spouse, heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns.

The Applicant acknowledges that being selected as Miss Rodeo Canada Queen or Princess constitutes valuable and binding consideration in exchange for which, among other things, the Applicant has entered into this Acknowledgement and Release.

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Applicant)

(Name of Witness - Print)

(Name of Applicant - Print)

(Date)

(Date)

Sponsoring Rodeo Association Declaration of Authorization

Applicant: _____

Rodeo Association Name: _____

Name of Authorizing Officer: _____

Title/Position: _____

Phone Number: (_____) _____

Fax Number: _____

E-mail: _____

To the Miss Rodeo Canada Organization:

I have read and understand the attached documents:

- 1) MRC Pageant Related Rules and Regulations, and
- 2) MRC Agreement, Rules and Regulations (**Sent under separate cover as a separate document**).

By affixing my signature below, I authorize the following:

- 1) that according to the MRC competition rules and regulations, the applicant is an eligible participant and;
- 2) that in reference to the rules and regulations governing MRC and the MRC agreement, our Rodeo Association acknowledges their support for this applicant's candidacy.

Signature: _____

Date: _____



MRC Pageant Related Rules and Regulations (Include but are not limited to the following)

1 . Primary Pageant Rules

- 1.1 MRC Pageant participants are under the supervision and direction of chaperones from the time the contestants arrive until the time the pageant ends. Chaperones and/or individuals with authorization from the MRC Pageant will escort the contestants to and from all functions during the span of the pageant.
- 1.2 MRC Pageant participants will attend all Miss Rodeo Canada events.
- 1.3 MRC Pageant participants will decline all personal invitations during the pageant
- 1.4 MRC Pageant participants will abide by all official pageant directives.

2. Personal Conduct

- 2.1 MRC Pageant participants will not consume any alcohol, use tobacco products, or partake of any illegal drugs during the pageant.
- 2.2 MRC Pageant participants are in a demanding position but their conduct must never be compromised for they are the Canadian ambassadors for the sport of professional rodeo.
- 2.3 MRC Pageant participants must maintain a professional demeanor at all times by being respectful to all those with whom they come into contact.
- 2.4 Chaperones, family and friends are welcome to attend any of the public events.
- 2.5 Contestants are not allowed in any other rooms in the hotel at any time, other than that of the Miss Rodeo Canada pageant chaperone(s), or fellow contestants. Parents, family and friends are permitted to assist Miss Rodeo Canada contestants with their belongings during check-in **only**. Any further visits to the contestant's room by a parent, friend or family member are prohibited. Contestants are prohibited from receiving any outside help from family, friends or other during the duration of the pageant. Deliveries for Miss Rodeo Canada contestants may be left at the front desk of the hotel with attention to the pageants chaperone.

3. Regalia Requirements

- 3.1 Participants are required to wear the 4 inch white half banner of their sponsoring rodeo

association with rodeo name printed in 3" high black lettering. The banner is to be worn at all times.

- 3.2 Hat, Buckle, Crown and Banner must be worn at all times, with the exclusion of the fashion show.

Criminal Offence Definitions

Definitions: For the purpose of the Eligibility Rules, the following definitions of a criminal offence apply:

- ❖ “guilty” in relation to a plea or a finding, includes an absolute or conditional discharge;
- ❖ “offence” means:
 - a) a summary conviction or indictable offence under the Criminal Code (Canada);
 - b) a misdemeanor or felony under the criminal legislation of the United States of America or of any state or territory of the United States of America;
 - c) an offence under the criminal legislation of any other jurisdiction;
 - d) a quasi-criminal offence, for example under the Income Tax Act (Canada) or the tax legislation of any jurisdiction; the immigration legislation of any jurisdiction; or the securities legislation of any jurisdiction;

and excludes

- e) an offence for which a pardon has been granted and has not been revoked under the Criminal Record Act (Canada) or the comparable legislation or any other jurisdiction, and;
- f) an offence which is an offence only under the motor vehicles legislation of any jurisdiction

NOTE: With the exception of offences under the Young Offender Act (RS 1985 ch. Y-1) or its predecessor, the granting of a Pardon with respect to an offence is not automatic, but must be formally applied for and granted to the offender pursuant to the Criminal Records Act (Canada). Therefore, it is not considered appropriate to omit reference to an offence under any statute other than the Young Offenders Act (Canada) or its predecessor on the basis of an assumption that a Pardon of the offence is automatic after a given period of time.