QUEEN PAGEANT

Miss Missouri State Fair 2015
Destiny Reed

RULES AND REGULATIONS
The Missouri State Fair Pageant competition is held annually in conjunction with the Missouri State Fair. Entrants agree to abide by all rules of the Missouri State Fair Pageant that are in effect now or as announced later. Entrants agree that the time, manner, and method of judging shall be solely at the discretion of the Missouri State Fair and the decision of the judges will be final. Entrants agree to pay an entry fee of $50.

1. Contestants shall be citizens of the United States.
2. Contestants shall be female and residents of the state of Missouri for not fewer than six months immediately preceding July 4, 2016.
3. Contestants shall be single and not cohabiting with a male, or at any time have been married, pregnant, or have had a child. A contestant must have never been convicted of any crime or have any criminal charges pending.
4. Contestants shall be not less than 17 nor more than 22 years of age on September 1, 2016.
5. Contestants shall have won a current title of queen of a county fair or contestant may be sponsored by an agricultural group (such as 4-H or FFA) that is approved by the Missouri State Fair Pageant superintendent. The contestant must have competed for and won the title between July 15, 2015-July 31, 2016.
6. Entries shall be postmarked no later than July 15, 2016. Exception: Fairs held between July 16 and July 31, 2016, may “pre-enter” their queens by notifying the Missouri State Fair Pageant superintendent in writing of their intentions prior to July 15, 2016. Completed entry forms of such pre-entered queens must be received by July 30, 2016, and will be accepted only if all requirements listed in Item 8 are complete.
7. Entry fees and the official entry form must be sent to the Missouri State Fair Pageant, 2503 West 16th Street, Sedalia, MO 65301. All other forms including the 5 x 7 photograph, may be emailed to msfqueen@yahoo.com.
8. A complete entry will include the following:
   a) $50.00 entry fee.
   b) Completed official entry form.
   c) A letter from the sponsoring organization verifying the candidate’s eligibility.
   d) One 5” x 7” color photograph or color photocopy. Emailed to msfqueen@yahoo.com
   e) Completed information sheet for the Emcee.
   f) Completed housing reservation request (optional).
9. Contestants must register at a time and place to be named by the superintendent of the queen pageant.
10. The queen and each contestant shall be accompanied by a female who is at least 25 years of age or the father of the queen contestant for the entire competition or reign. If a chaperone is not available, the contestant will not be able to participate in the competition and the queen will have to relinquish her title and scholarship.
11. The queen, the four runners-up, and award winners will remain for a short time immediately following the coronation for publicity photographs.
12. The Missouri State Fair Queen will automatically relinquish her title if she enters into a marriage contract or if she chooses to cohabit with a male in lieu of a marriage contract.
13. Conduct deemed to be improper and detrimental to the Missouri State Fair or the queen pageant will be reason for disqualification and dismissal by the superintendent.
14. If Miss Missouri State Fair fails to complete her term, the title will be passed to the runners-up in the order of their rank, beginning with the first runner-up.
15. Selection of the queen will be based on the following scoring basis:
   40% Personal interviews
   40% Public speaking or talent performance
   20% Evening gown
16. The Queen and the four runners-up will receive a scholarship to the Missouri college or university of their choice and prizes as follows:
   Queen $2,000 scholarship
   1st Runner-up $1,000 scholarship
   2nd Runner-up $ 500 scholarship
   3rd Runner-up $ 350 scholarship
   4th Runner-up $ 250 scholarship
17. Scholarships not claimed prior to December 31, 2016, will be forfeited.
18. The Missouri State Fair does not guarantee premium money, merchandise, prizes or special awards. Because the State Fair Commission is without constitutional or statutory authority to borrow money for its operation, it reserves the right to prorate premium money because of state budget restraints.
19. Please email a request for a COMPLETE Queen Packet to be sent to the contestant through email. This will provide all contestants with the necessary forms and information needed for the competition.
Send request to: msfqueen@yahoo.com

Queen Superintendents: Whitney Kinne and Samantha Davis.

2016 Missouri State Fair QUEEN PAGEANT

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11
8 a.m. Interviews - Location to be announced
(Closed to public)
2 p.m. Speech and Talent Competition
Mathewson Exhibition Center

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12
2 p.m. Evening Gown Competition
Mathewson Exhibition Center
3 p.m. 2016 Queen Coronation
Mathewson Exhibition Center