

To Miss Rodeo Okotoks Applicants:

Thank you for your interest in the Miss Rodeo Okotoks (MRO) Pageant. We encourage all applicants to read through the MRO application package thoroughly, fill out each section in full and familiarize yourself with the information within the package. The list below serves as a checklist for what applicants are required to submit in order to be eligible for the pageant.

Please note: ENTRIES CLOSE **Friday July 16, 2010**

A complete application package will include:

1. Point form resume on plain white paper
2. Copy of your driver's license
3. Driver's abstract
4. Complete MRO application form
5. Complete Medical Information and Background form
6. Photo of applicant. (**NOTE:** If photos are taken by a professional photographer, then a photographer's release **MUST** be included)

Please call to make arrangements to drop off your application

Or

Drop off application to Backbones Chiropractic & Sports Therapy in Okotoks

If you have questions, please contact Jenni 403-512-6357 or missrodeookotoks@live.ca

Miss Rodeo Okotoks 2010 – Application Form

Name: _____

Birthdate: _____

Current Address: _____

Phone: Residence: _____

Cell: _____

Email Address: _____

(Please provide an email address you use all the time as there are times that communication will be sent to you via email)

I HEREBY AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE MISS RODEO OKOTOKS PAGEANT. IN THE EVENT THAT I BECOME QUEEN I WILL MAKE EVERY REASONABLE EFFORT TO ATTEND FUNCTIONS AND EVENTS AS REQUESTED BY THE MISS RODEO OKOTOKS COMMITTEE.

I AM AWARE THAT THERE IS POSSIBILITY OF INJURY TO THE CONTESTANT WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE CONTEST AND DURING ANY DUTIES AND ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONTEST, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PUBLIC APPEARANCES, RODEOS, AND TRAVELLING TO VARIOUS EVENTS. I RELIEVE THE FOLLOWING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE OKOTOKS PRO RODEO SOCIETY, MISS RODEO OKOTOKS COMMITTEE, THE C.P.R.A, THE JUDGES AND SPONSORS OF ALL RESPONSIBILITY DURING ANY DUTIES AND ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE MISS RODEO OKOTOKS PAGEANT.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____

DATE SIGNED: _____

WITNESS SIGNATURE: _____

DATE SIGNED: _____

Miss Rodeo Okotoks – Applicant Provisions

Entry Closing Date: Completed applications must be received on or before
July 16, 2010

Eligibility: In order to be eligible to compete for the title of Miss Rodeo Okotoks, applicants must:

- 1) Be female who is between the ages of 18-24 as of Aug. 1, 2010
- 2) Never have been married nor living common law, pregnant, had a child or plead guilty to or found guilty of a criminal offence
- 3) Be a Canadian citizen
- 4) Have a valid driver's license that has never been suspended

Note: An application elimination process may be held at the discretion of the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee.

Point Form Resume: A point form resume no longer than 2 pages is required. The document should be typed, double spaced and organized in the applicant's personal style. Handwritten resumes will not be accepted. Resumes must be on plain white paper.

Photograph: One recent colour 5"x7" photograph from waist up in western attire and hat. (Photographer's release required if professional photos are submitted)

Please submit your application to Backbones Chiropractic & Sports Therapy in Okotoks or call to make arrangements to drop off.

Jenni Malin 403-512-6357

Medical Information

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

Explanation of reaction & indicate treatment/medicine used

2. **Describe any past operations, serious illness or chronic illness that may affect your participation in the Miss Rodeo Okotoks pageant.**

3. **Do you have, or are you subject to, any of the following?**

Convulsions _____ High Blood Pressure _____ Fainting _____

Asthma/ Respiration problems _____ Heart problems _____

Please provide details:

4. **If under doctor's care presently or within the past 6 months, provide details and doctor's contact information.**

Physician: _____ **Contact #:** _____

Background Information

NOTE: In the following section please concisely describe your response. Specific dates should also be included in order to determine 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 have participated in or received recognition for in the past:

4. Volunteer work performed within the last year and the benefits you received from this:

5. Life Ambition:

6. Reasons for wanting to become Miss Rodeo Okotoks.

7. Have you ever entered, placed in, or won any other pageant? **YES** **NO**

If so, which pageant(s) and when?

8. What new ideas do you have to help promote the sport of rodeo in Canada?

I have completed the application form for the Miss Rodeo Okotoks pageant. I have read, in full, and understand the Rules & Regulations set out for the Miss Rodeo Okotoks competition. I am aware that failure to comply with the attached Rules & Regulations may result in disqualification from the Miss Rodeo Okotoks competition, or the removal of the title of Miss Rodeo Okotoks.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date Signed: _____

Signature of Witness: _____

Date Signed: _____

Miss Rodeo Okotoks Pageant – Rules & Regulations

1. MRO contestants must be between the ages of 18 and 24 as of August 1, 2010 and must be a Canadian citizen.
2. MRO contestants must be female, never married nor living common law and never have been pregnant. If MRO becomes pregnant during her reign, marries, or lives common-law she will forfeit her crown and all benefits derived from the pageant.
3. MRO must have a valid Alberta driver's license, agree to have an abstract drawn, and have access to a vehicle for a year of reign.
4. MRO must have access to a truck and trailer for the entire year of her reign.
5. MRO contestants must not have a criminal record and must consent to a security check if requested.
6. MRO will commit one year to the reign of her title and fulfil all her appearance obligations as requested. Her year will begin the day she is crowned, until the day of crowning the following year.
7. MRO must own a horse, or have a horse available to her for her entire reign as Miss Rodeo Okotoks. Stud horses are not allowed.
8. MRO contestants are expected to treat their own horse and/or horses supplied for them with respect. No abuse or harsh discipline will be tolerated.
9. If an incident occurs with your horse, or any other horse, the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee chairperson must be advised immediately.
10. MRO contestants must use the SAME HORSE for the horsemanship competition and rodeo weekend. If this is not possible due to injury or sickness, a veterinarian's release must be provided to the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee chairperson at that event.
11. For safety purposes, horses should be ridden in the same equipment that is normally used on them (tie downs, bits, splint boots, etc) for both the horsemanship and rodeo weekend; pending that the equipment has been approved by the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee chairperson and does not break any CPRA rules. The only exception being that split reins must be used for the horsemanship component.
12. Contestants are not permitted to tamper with any other contestant's belongings, including but not limited to, equipment, clothing, and horse.
13. MRO is not a salaried position.
14. MRO contestants will not be reimbursed for any purchases, clothing or otherwise, made for or during the pageant unless approved by the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee chairperson.

15. MRO and MRO contestants must not approach existing or potential sponsors for further sponsorship. If an interest is expressed to you, the information should be passed on to the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee.

16. MRO and MRO contestants should receive gifts with grace and dignity. She should not expect more than what has been arranged.

17. The pageant competition consists of each contestant being judged on horsemanship (riding ability), a prepared speech, impromptu speeches, modelling (fashion show), photogenics, written knowledge exam, congeniality, as well as overall appearance, personality and ability. Each component of the pageant holds a different weight in the overall scoring.

18. MRO and MRO contestants must be able to attend all functions during the competition and fulfil all commitments which may include weekday and weekend appearances. If a contestant misses any aspect of the competition, all her points to date will be disqualified.

19. MRO contestants are responsible for arranging time off work or school work to attend pageant events.

20. To protect the notoriety of our judges, judges score sheets WILL NOT be given to or viewed by contestants, or their family or friends.

21. A variety of judges will be selected for each panel to judge each component of the pageant. The judge's decisions will be final. It is the responsibility of the MRO Committee to ensure that qualified judges are assigned to judge each component.

22. A queen contestant can enter the Miss Rodeo Okotoks pageant a maximum of 3 times, pending that she has not been deemed ineligible to compete for the title again.

23. There may be media at events attended. When dealing with the media be positive in actions and words. Negative or controversial actions reflect poorly on both you and the organization you represent. Think before you speak.

24. A MRO contestant must NEVER isolate herself with the media. All interviews and engagements must be booked through the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee.

25. MRO contestants will not participate in any promotion, advertising, or interview other than that organized or sanctioned by the MRO Committee chairperson or the Okotoks Pro Rodeo Society.

26. All appearances during the pageant must be approved and scheduled by the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee chairperson. You will be contacted directly by the MRO Chairperson if there is an appearance or interview.

27. It is expected that contestants will dress and have personal hygiene and act in accordance with the position of Miss Rodeo Okotoks. You are always in the public eye and first impressions are usually lasting impressions.

28. MRO contestants may run into uncomfortable situations and rude people; she must maintain appropriate decorum at all times.
29. MRO contestants agree to avoid any situation that could create an unfavourable image in the public eye both with regards to the pageant and her private life during the pageant.
30. MRO contestants will not consume alcohol, smoke, or partake in any illegal drug activity while at any Miss Rodeo Okotoks function. Further, any contestant that reports for any function under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be immediately dismissed from the Miss Rodeo Okotoks pageant.
31. Contestants must accept shared responsibility in confirming time and location of pageant events.
32. The use of cell phones, beepers, etc is not permitted during pageant events.
33. Family members and friends of MRO contestants are not permitted in pageant event staging areas. These include dressing rooms (fashion show and rodeo weekend), staging areas (horsemanship and public speaking), exam/interview room, sponsored vehicles, hotel rooms, etc.
34. Contestants are not permitted to have a personal escort at any pageant event.
35. If professional photographs are submitted with the Miss Rodeo Okotoks application, a photographer's release must be included as these pictures will be used for media and promotions.
36. The contestant selected as the new Miss Rodeo Okotoks will enter into a written agreement with the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee and the Okotoks Pro Rodeo Society immediately after being crowned.
37. It is expected that contestants will treat all members of the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee, OPRS Committee, CPRA members, and any other event official or volunteer with courtesy and respect. If you have a conflict, it should be brought to the attention of the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee chairperson first and foremost.
38. MRO contestants will abide by the decisions of the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee and the Okotoks Pro Rodeo Society in all matters and will attend committee meetings upon request.
39. At NO TIME will Miss Rodeo Okotoks contestants discuss any Miss Rodeo Okotoks business matters with anyone outside the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee.
40. Any concerns with regards to the Miss Rodeo Okotoks pageant are to be brought to the attention of the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee chairperson first and foremost.
41. Failure by any contestant to behave in a manner befitting the title of Miss Rodeo Okotoks in accordance with the MRO Committee is not acceptable and may result in any benefits derived from the pageant being removed. Furthermore, this behaviour may result in a contestant becoming ineligible to compete for the title of Miss Rodeo Okotoks again.

42. The Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee reserves the right to disqualify any contestant, or withhold any benefit derived from the pageant if a contestant breaks any rule listed in the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Rules and Regulations.

43. Should a disqualification occur, it will be done directly between the Miss Rodeo Okotoks Committee chairperson and that contestant.

44. It is expected that Contestants will treat clothing supplied for the fashion show with respect. The Contestant may be held responsible for repair of damaged items.

45. No one other than the Contestant, judges, and MRO Committee are permitted in the personal interview room while interviews are being conducted. The same goes for the exam room. A Committee member will be available for questions.

46. Order of go for all pageant events, and rodeo weekend will be predetermined by a draw. Order of go for events will not be revised unless approved by the MRO Committee chairperson.

Failure to abide by the above listed Rules and Regulations could result in disqualification from the Miss Rodeo Okotoks pageant, ineligibility to compete for the title of Miss Rodeo Okotoks again, or the removal of the title of Miss Rodeo Okotoks.