

2020 NHSRA QUEEN CONTEST

Tentative Schedule of Events & Contest Information

(If any information changes between now and the NHSFR, it will be announced at orientation on Wednesday.)

***Tuesday, July 14, 6:30 PM – “Let’s Get Acquainted”** – This is an opportunity to meet the other queen contestants before things get crazy! Let your hair down, no make-up, casual clothes, no banner or hat required. We’ll have some snacks---just hang out!! Your attendance is not required. We will meet at the Reliance Arena Patio, Lazy E, Guthrie, OK.

ROLL CALL: Roll Call for each competition will be in alphabetical order by state/province and you will be considered late when your state/province name is called and you are not there! Being late is cause for disqualification from the queen contest.

FACILITIES: Queen activities will either be at Dominion House, 602 E. College Ave, Guthrie, OK or the Lazy E. Please check the schedule closely to ensure the times and location.

DRAWS: All NHSRA Queen Contest Draws will be posted on the NHSRA web site approximately one week prior to the contest for your convenience. However, all official postings for the contest will be in the official posting area for the rodeo. You will also receive copies of the draws in your orientation packet.

BANNERS: Each state/province queen will receive two official banners. These are provided by the NHSRA and your state/province association. You will receive one of the banners when you are crowned at your state/province finals rodeo. You will receive the second banner at the orientation meeting on Wednesday, July 15. **THESE ARE THE ONLY BANNERS YOU CAN WEAR DURING THE WEEK OF THE NHSRA QUEEN CONTEST.** Banners must be worn during the NHSRA Finals when contestants are in western attire.

BACK/BUTTON NUMBERS: Queen contestants will receive a button number during orientation that can be worn during the interviews, speech/modeling and impromptu portions of the Queen Contest and at Thursday's Coronation. When not wearing the button number, the back number must be worn. Back numbers must be worn at all times by all contestants.

WESTERN CASUAL DRESS CODE: Contestants will wear jeans and western blouses or shirts (no jackets and/or vests are allowed) at all judged events except the speech and modeling competition and horsemanship, where specific attire is outlined. Shirts must be tucked in. LONG SLEEVES, COLLAR, HAT, CROWN, BANNER & NUMBER ARE MANDATORY FOR ALL CATEGORIES OF THE COMPETITION.

HORSEMANSHIP DRESS CODE: Cinch/Cruel Girl blue denim jeans and plain white cotton blouse or shirt with long sleeves, collar, hat, crown, banner and number are MANDATORY! PLEASE NOTE: Blouse or shirt is to be plain. No ruffles, accessories, tuxedo shirts or other fancy styles allowed.

SPEECH & MODELING DRESS CODE: At the speech and modeling portion of the contest, contestants have the option of suits, dresses, skirts, blouses, dress pants, jeans and shirts. All blouses, dresses and shirts worn in the Queen Contest must have long sleeves extending to the wrist and a collar. Long sleeves, crown, banner, hat and number are required at all judged events.

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GRAND ENTRIES: Each state/province queen will be introduced in alphabetical order by state/province (Alabama thru Wyoming). Current National Champions will lead the grand entry. Each state/province queen will ride, followed by one contestant from that state/province to carry the state/province flag. Failure to be present when your name is called will result in disqualification. Queens must furnish their own state flag!! Queen and extra rider should be at the arena 30 minutes prior to the scheduled grand entry of the required two performances.

STATE/PROVINCE SHOWCASE GRAND ENTRY: Monday evening during the Queen Intros

- Each Queen Contestant will be allowed (1) rider to carry their state/province flag in the Arena.
- The Queen Contestant, extra rider, and horses may be outfitted in a way that showcases their State/Province
- State/Province colors, sports teams, mascots, natural history, etc may be showcased.

GENERAL RULES

- All NHSRA Grand Entry rules must be followed.

- Queen contestant and extra rider must be mounted with saddles and bridles.
- No additional script will be read; only standard introduction of contestant will be made.
- Nothing may be thrown or distributed during the Grand Entry.
- Anything attached to the horses or riders must be safely secured in a way that will not be a hazard to the horses or riders. Extra rider will carry State/Provincial flag.
- NHSRA arena dress code will be used as a minimum. For example: rider may wear a sports team jersey over their shirt, or a surfer girl may wear a swim suit over jeans.
- Any entry deemed to be in bad taste or unsafe must be corrected before the Grand Entry begins.
- This event is intended to be safe and fun; however safety must prevail over fun!! This is not a speed event.

Tuesday, JULY 14

6:30 PM - "Let's Get Acquainted" - Reliance Arena Patio - Lazy E

Your attendance is not required. There is no required dress code---dress casual and come and meet your fellow contestants.

Wednesday, JULY 15

7:45 AM SHARP! – Roll Call – Dominion House, 602 E College Ave, Guthrie, OK

DRESS CODE: Western Casual (Back Number)

**** Queen contestants are to wear Cinch/Cruel Girl jeans and shirt. Contestants may "enhance" their western attire. This is not a judged event; but, an opportunity to see the creativity of our contestants with sponsor wear and to show support for our National Jean and Shirt Sponsor. This can be the same outfit as for the Friday Coronation Practice/Miss Congeniality Voting. The judges will be made aware of this request.**

8:00 AM – Written Test (Closed to the Public) Dominion House

Test will count for a possible twenty-five (25) points and will go directly to the master score sheet. Test will be composed from the 2018-2020 NHSRA Rulebook only.

8:30 AM – Orientation (Closed to the Public) Dominion House

After the test, you will receive a packet containing all necessary information for the queen contest, including an official schedule, draws, etc. You will be required to sign for your packet. During the orientation session we will go over the schedule for the rest of the week. Contestants are encouraged to ask questions at this time about anything concerning the queen contest. We want every contestant to fully understand the procedures of the contest so everyone has a fair opportunity.

After the orientation, we will familiarize ourselves with the stage and procedures for the Queen Contestant's public events.

From Orientation, we will go straight to the Social at Dominion House. You will not have time to change clothing before the social.

10:00 AM-11:00 AM Queen's Social with Judges – Dominion House

There will be six tables with one judge seated at each table. The contestants will be split into equal groups and assigned a table. The judges will rotate through the tables so they have the opportunity to visit with each group of contestants. This is not a scored event----relax and have fun!

11:15 AM – Judge's Meeting & Lunch – TBA

The judges will meet with the national queen contest coordinators. **NO CONTESTANTS ALLOWED.**

1:15 PM SHARP! – Roll Call – Reliance Arena - RCH/Cutting Arena, Lazy E

DRESS CODE: Horsemanship (Back Number) Cinch/Cruel Girl jeans required

1:30 PM – Horsemanship Competition – Reliance Arena - RCH/Cutting Arena, Lazy E

All queen contestants will compete in the horsemanship competition, in draw order. Draw will be in queen's packet she receives at orientation. A description of the pattern is included in the orientation packet. The pattern will change only based on the entrance and exits available at the arena. The arena will be raked prior to the horsemanship competition and after the first half of contestants.

6:30 PM - 10 PM – Personal Interviews (First Session) – Cantina - Lazy E Arena

(Closed to the Public) DRESS CODE: Western Casual (Button Number)

There will be a time limit of ten (10) minutes for each contestant's interview. **To answer roll call, contestant will have to check in ten (10) minutes prior to her scheduled time of interview.** Exact schedule and draw order will be in the queen's packet she receives at orientation.

Thursday, JULY 16

8:30 AM - 4 PM – Personal Interviews (Second Session) – Cantina - Lazy E Arena (Closed to the Public) DRESS CODE: Western Casual (Button Number)

There will be a time limit of ten (10) minutes for each contestant's interview. To answer roll call, contestant will have to check in ten (10) minutes prior to her scheduled time of interview. Exact schedule and draw order will be in the queen's packet she receives at orientation.

2 PM – 6 PM - Modeling practice?

6:45 PM – SHARP! – Roll Call – Dominion House, 602 E College Ave, Guthrie, OK DRESS CODE: Speech and Modeling (Button Number)

7 PM – Modeling & Two-Minute Speech – Dominion House, 602 E College Ave, Guthrie, OK (Open to the Public)

Modeling – First section of Contestant's biography will be read and conclude with their "one wish" and speech topic.

Two-Minute Speech Topics: Contestant can speak about her country, state/ province or on anything with a western theme.

There will be a draw order for the modeling/speeches that will be in the packet the queen contestants receive at orientation. After the contestant models, she will go to the microphone and give her two-minute speech. Speeches will be timed. If the speech is not completed when the buzzer sounds, the contestant may only finish the sentence she is currently speaking. We will take an intermission halfway through and then the last group of contestants will model and give their speeches.

A group photo of the queen contestants will be taken at the school after this event.

Friday, JULY 17

11 AM – Mandatory Contestant's Meeting, Queen/Team Photos Lazy E Main Arena Grandstands

DRESS CODE: Western attire, crown, banner and back numbers.

Each queen contestant is required to attend the MANDATORY Contestant's Meeting. Immediately following this meeting, a group photograph of the queen contestants will be taken in the arena followed by the state/province team photos.

1 PM - Dominion House will be open prior to the Impromptu Competition

2:45 PM SHARP! – Roll Call – Dominion House, 602 E College Ave, Guthrie, OK DRESS CODE: Western Casual (Button Number)

3:00 PM – Introductions & Impromptu Questions – Dominion House (Open to the Public)

All contestants will be introduced in alphabetical order by state/province. For the introduction, you will state your name, title and one fun short fact about yourself. (Example: Opal Harkins, Miss Montana High School Rodeo and I love salted caramel chocolate brownies.) **DO NOT GO ON WITH A LENGTHY INTRODUCTION OR YOU WILL LOSE 10 POINTS, PER NHSRA RULEBOOK.** After all contestants have been introduced, they will proceed to a designated soundproof room. Following introductions, all contestants will answer an impromptu question in draw order. Draw will be in queen's packet at orientation. Each contestant will be given the same question while the remaining contestants wait in the soundproof room off stage. The reigning queen will ask each contestant the question. After the contestant answers, she will be seated in a designated area.

6:30 PM – First Rodeo Performance (7 PM) - GRAND ENTRY - Lazy E Arena

Bring your own State/Provincial/Country Flag - Each Queen Contestant will be allowed (1) rider to carry their state/province flag in the Arena

DRESS CODE: Western attire, crown, banner and back numbers.

Monday, JULY 20

6:30 PM – Seventh Rodeo Perf (7 PM) – State/Province Showcase GRAND ENTRY - Lazy E Arena

Bring your own State/Provincial/Country Flag - Each Queen Contestant will be allowed (1) rider to carry their state/province flag in the Arena

DRESS CODE: Western attire, crown, banner and back numbers.

The Queen Contestant, extra rider, and horses may be outfitted in a way that showcases their State/Province/Country State/Province/Country colors, sports teams, mascots, natural history, etc may be showcased

Wednesday, JULY 22

12:45 PM – Roll Call - Coronation Practice - Lazy E Rough Stock Arena

Lunch and Miss Congeniality Voting

DRESS CODE: Western attire, crown, banner and back numbers.

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Lunch and Miss Congeniality voting will take place following the Crowning Ceremony Practice. No judges will be present. Queen Contestants will receive their qualifier pins. There will be no gift exchange, so please do not bring any gifts. If you have autograph sheets, these can be shared with the other queen contestants. This is an opportunity to just relax, have fun and make some memories!

Thursday, JULY 23

4:45 PM SHARP! – Roll Call - Lazy E Rough Stock Arena

DRESS CODE: Western Casual (Back or Button Number)

5:00 PM – Crowning Ceremony – Lazy E Rough Stock Arena (Open to the Public)

All queen contestants will be introduced in alphabetical order by state/province. Category awards will be presented as well as Miss Congeniality. The top 10 will be announced and the 2020-2021 NHSRA Queen will be crowned.

THERE WILL BE NO OTHER GRAND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS OF THE QUEEN CONTESTANTS OTHER THAN THOSE OUTLINED ABOVE.



2020 NHSRA QUEEN CONTEST PHOTOGRAPHY & BIOGRAPHY REQUIREMENTS

We ask that you pay particularly close attention to the deadline for the pictures and biography, so that we can make appropriate arrangements for the program, packets and displaying of the pictures.

SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING WITHIN 5 DAYS OF YOUR STATE/PROVINCE FINALS:

1. (1) color VERTICAL photograph (any size, but no smaller than 3x5, head and shoulders shot only, no full lengths, no crown or banner). Email photo to melissa@nhsra.org in a jpg format at a size of 3X5 and a resolution of 300 dpi. Include the contestant's name and state in the email.
2. (1) color VERTICAL photograph (8 x 10, head and shoulders shot only, no full lengths, no crown or banner). **NO emails accepted for the 8X10 photo.**
3. Queen Contestant Biography

MAIL WITHIN 5 DAYS OF YOUR STATE/PROVINCE FINALS to:

National High School Rodeo Association, Inc.
12011 Tejon Street, Suite 900
Denver, CO 80234

CLEARLY MARK THE BACK OF ALL PICTURES WITH CONTESTANT'S NAME AND STATE/PROVINCE

***** VERY IMPORTANT!! *****

PLEASE NOTE DEADLINE: PICTURES & BIO ARE TO BE **SUBMITTED WITHIN 5 DAYS OF YOUR STATE/PROVINCE FINALS RODEO.**

Have your queen fill out the enclosed biography and send with the color photos to the NHSRA Office. The biography MUST be typed on typewriter or computer and printed on white paper only. **USE THE OFFICIAL NHSRA BIOGRAPHY ONLY AND IT MUST REMAIN ONE PAGE.** No other resume, computer altered biography, additional pages or colored paper will be accepted. (By computer altered, we mean no artwork, graphic design, tinted background or fancy fonts. These make the biographies difficult to read and difficult to photocopy for the judges.) The biography form has been made available on our website at www.nhsra.com.

2020 NHSRA QUEEN CONTEST SPEECH TOPIC:

Contestant is to speak about her country, state or province or on anything with a western theme.

2020 NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL RODEO QUEEN CONTEST – CONTESTANT BIOGRAPHY

USE TYPEWRITER OR COMPUTER TO COMPLETE. NO HANDWRITTEN COPIES. USE THIS OFFICIAL FORM ONLY.

NO OTHER RESUME, COMPUTER ALTERED BIOGRAPHY OR ADDITIONAL PAGES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

You can find this form in a fill-in format at www.nhsra.com

ONLY THIS PORTION WILL BE READ FOR THE MODELING COMPETITION.

STATE/PROVINCE: _____

NAME: _____ AGE: _____

2019 - 2020 GRADE _____ HOMETOWN: _____

PARENT'S NAMES: _____

HIGH SCHOOL: _____

RODEO EVENTS: _____

HOW MANY YEARS IN HIGH SCHOOL RODEO? _____

SPEECH TITLE: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO BE USED BY THE JUDGES:

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS: _____

OTHER ACTIVITIES: _____

FUTURE PLANS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL RODEO: _____

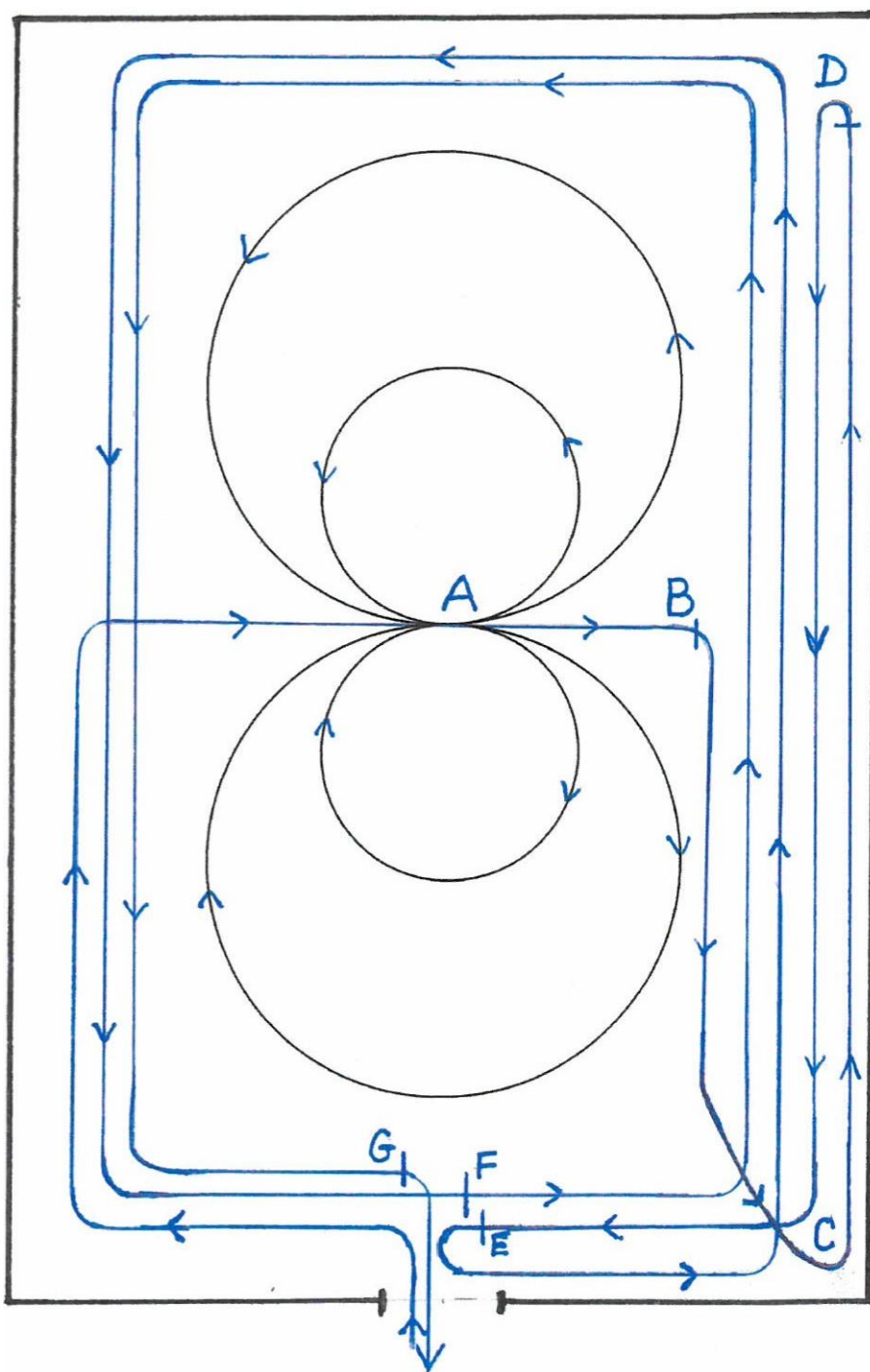
MY HORSE _____

IF YOU HAD ONE WISH COME TRUE, WHAT WOULD IT BE? _____

ANY OTHER COMMENTS ABOUT YOURSELF: _____

2020 NHSRA Queen Contest Horsemanship

Pattern has a possible 50-point score per judge



Enter the arena and walk to Position A. Begin figure 8 work to the right at a fast lope and make the larger figure 8. Reduce speed and go into the smaller figure 8. Stop at Position B. Trot to Position C. Begin fast pace at Position C, coming to a stop at Position D. Turn away from fence at Position D and proceed to the Exit gate at a fast pace doing a presentation ride. Stop at gate. Make a 180 degree turn to the left (towards gate) at Position E. Take flag from contest personnel and circle the arena once at a speed of the contestant's choice. Stop at the gate and hand flag to contest personnel at Position F. Make a second circle around arena as a presentation ride. Come to a stop at the gate at Position G and exit the arena.

The Horsemanship portion of the NHSRA Queen contest is to demonstrate the ability of the contestant to show herself and her horsemanship skills. Therefore, the NHSRA has adopted the following pattern to demonstrate basic horsemanship skills such as controlling speed, increasing speed, picking up correct leads, displaying a flag while presenting herself in a manner that demonstrates the poise and elegance associated with the title of 'Queen'. In an effort to eliminate the need for a finished reining horse, judges will be critiquing basic horsemanship skills, appearance and presentation while correctly performing the adopted pattern.