

2023 Brazoria County Fair Rodeo Queen Contest

Chairman -Tiffany Vollbaum

Early Entry Fee: \$50, Entry Deadline: June 9, 2023, at 3 pm
Regular Entry Fee: \$75, Regular Entry Deadline: August 11, 2023, at 3 pm

Brazoria County Fair Association will be referred to as BCFA from here forward. Rodeo Queen Committee will be referred to as RQC from here forward.

Rules:

Eligibility

1. All female contestants must be residents of Brazoria County, Texas.
2. Parent or legal guardian must be a BCFA member.
3. Each contestant must be full time student at a state accredited Brazoria County High School and must be in Grades 9th-12th at time of competition.
4. All contestants must be single, never been married, childless and cannot be pregnant. If at any time, throughout the represented year, any contestant marries or becomes pregnant, said contestant will relinquish all prizes and titles received. In this event, all prizes and titles will be passed to the next contestant in line.
5. No felony convictions.
6. Past BCFA rodeo queen(s) are not eligible to compete.

Requirements:

Dress Code/Western Attire

7. Contestants must comply with the following dress code at all events:
 - a) Long sleeve shirt (tucked in) or blouse, unless specifically approved by chairman
 - b) Jeans, pants, or skirt (skirt must be to the knees with no slit above the knee)
 - c) Belt with awarded buckle if applicable
 - d) Boots
 - e) Felt Hat, unless specifically approved by chairman
 - f) Sash and crown, if applicable
 - g) No visible tattoos
 - h) No visible body piercings except bottom earlobes

Failure to abide by dress code will result in immediate dismissal from BCFA grounds. Rodeo Queen committee decisions are final.

NOTE: RQ contestant shirts may be issued to wear at the discretion of the RQC Shirt colors for parade and rodeo will be determined at a later date.

8. Each contestant will be responsible to raise \$500 in sponsorship monies. The deadline for the monies to be turned in is September 8, 2023.

9. A valid Coggins certificate will be required for every event prior to entering the premises.

10. No stallions will be allowed.

11. Absolutely no drinking alcohol, no tobacco or use of any illegal drugs.

12. Absolutely no use of foul language.

Activities include, but are not limited to the following:

13. Annual BCFA Kick-Off dinner

14. Ride in BCFA Parade

15. Run sponsor flags during the rodeo performances

16. Participate in fundraising events, activities and appearances scheduled by the RQC. Times, events, and locations are always subject to change.

17. All contestants that have received a title of any type must participate in appearances requested by the RQC. Any deviance must be approved by the RQC. Failure to participate in appearance request will result in the contestant not being allowed to participate in the Rodeo Queen Competition the following year.

NOTE: IN THE ABOVE EVENTS/APPEARANCES THAT REQUIRE THE CONTESTANT TO RIDE A HORSE IT WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTESTANT TO PROVIDE THAT HORSE.

Contest:

18. The Rodeo Queen Interview and Speech Contest will be held Saturday, September 30, 2023, at 10 am in the Committee Room. The Interview portion will consist of a prepared speech (topic provided) by contestant, and questions by the judges in a private setting. The Rodeo Queen

Riding Contest and Crowning will be held Saturday, September 30, 2023, at 4pm in the Rodeo Arena. The riding portion will consist of three riding patterns which will include horsemanship, flag, and cloverleaf barrels.

19. The contest will consist of five judged events. Those events include a prepared speech, an inspection of tack and attire, horsemanship pattern, flag pattern, and a timed/judged barrel pattern.

20. All tack used in the Western Horsemanship and Flag Pattern must comply with the following: 1) Split reins must be used and held in one hand with no more than one finger between the reins. 2) Bosals and/or nosebands are not permitted with a bit. 3) Gag bits, tie downs, martingales, and draw reins are prohibited.

21. No two (2) contestants can ride the same horse in the contest.

22. Absolutely NO cell phones will be allowed during any judged events.

Crowning:

- The 2023 Rodeo Queen, 1st Runner Up, 2nd Runner Up, Miss Personality and Attire, Miss Congeniality and Most Photogenic will be announced after the riding competition. The title of "Miss Personality and Attire" will be awarded to the winner of the interview contest, based off judges' scores.
- Throughout the year, the 2023 Rodeo Queen will be called upon to participate in various BCFA events and other events scheduled in Brazoria County.
- If for any reason the 2023 Crowned Rodeo Queen cannot perform all the required duties, the 2023 1st runner up will be awarded the honor. If for any reason the 2023 1st runner-up cannot perform all the required duties, the 2023 2nd runner-up, etc. will be awarded the honor.
- All contestants must be in full Rodeo Queen Dress Code and accompanied by a Rodeo Queen Committeeman or other appointed adult when wearing a sash and attending Rodeo Queen scheduled appearances.
- The decisions of the RQC and judges for the contest are final. Any protests must be filed as stated in the General Rules. Any and all the expenses resulting from this grievance must be paid up front by the person(s) filing the protest.
- These rules will remain intact throughout the contest and reign of the Rodeo Queen and her runners-up. Failure to abide by these rules will result in immediate disqualification and the crown and any awards will be forfeited. The RQC decisions are final.
- All contestants must comply with the BCFA General Rules and Regulations printed in the 2023 catalog unless otherwise specified.

UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, INAPPROPRIATE CONVERSATION OR COMMENTS ON ANY SOCIAL NETWORK, OF ANY CONTESTANTS, PARENTS AND/OR FAMILY MEMBERS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. ANY UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT MAY RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION FROM COMPETITION AND/OR WITHDRAWAL OF TITLES.

- Remember, you are a BCFA representative. You will be looked upon as a role model and an example to others. While the RQC has no right to ask you to give up any personal activities, we do have every right to expect you to behave in a manner befitting your position. The RQC also has every right to remove a Queen if they feel she has shown misconduct.

- In case of a tie, the following procedure will be used:

1. Additional judge question, & scoring.
2. The contestant with the most 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, ect. will be the winner.