

*Doddridge County Fair Queens Pageant
Rules and Regulations*

The Doddridge County Fair Queens Pageant will be held on Tuesday, August 18, 2009.

The following is a list of the Queens Pageant rules that you agree to abide by:

1. The pageant committee requires a minimum of six (6) contestants to conduct a pageant. (Deadline 07-20-09).
2. A Contestant must be sixteen (16) years of age by January following the annual fair and must not have reached her 22nd birthday at the time of the West Virginia State Fair (held in August).
3. The Queen must remain single throughout her reign, which continues until the crowning of a new fair queen the following year. If for any reason "Miss Doddridge County" should marry during her reign, she forfeits her title and the 1st Runner-Up will succeed.
4. Contestant must be a resident of Doddridge County, West Virginia for at least six (6) months prior to the pageant.
5. The Queen must be a resident of West Virginia throughout her reign.
6. Judges will interview each contestant individually during the Queen's Tea held the afternoon of the Pageant at a local area business.
7. Contestant will also compete in: Street Wear, Evening Gown, and On-Stage Question.
8. Contestants will be judged on poise, natural beauty, character and the ability to be an ambassador for Doddridge County.
9. An entry fee of \$75.00 must be furnished by July 20, 2009.
10. The pageant schedule is a busy one, and contestants are required to be present and on time. Girls must attend all practices prior to the pageant. Practice dates and times are not yet finalized, but they will most likely be Saturday, Sunday and Monday before the pageant. Practices will be announced.
11. All contestants and a parent/guardian (if contestant is under 18 years of age) must sign and return this contract. By signing this contract you agree to indemnify the Doddridge County Queens Pageant and the Doddridge County Fair for any perceived damages resulting from your entry into this pageant, your participation in this pageant, and, if selected as the Queen, your year carrying the title as "Miss Doddridge County." You agree to abide by all of the rules set forth in this document.
12. Complete and final authority for the "Miss Doddridge County Fair Queen Pageant" rests with one person: the executive pageant director, Cynthia Loomis.
13. One "Miss Doddridge County Fair Queen" is chosen and she must participate in all activities of the fair as deemed necessary by the Fair Board or Pageant Director. Part of the responsibility of the Fair Queen is to have an active part in fair week activities and the crowning of her successor the following year.
14. Attending any other parades, festivals and pageants are options of the Queen. Should the Queen wish to participate in local area parades, she will be responsible for all arrangements involved with doing so.

15. The Queen will be required to participate in the State Competition at the West Virginia Fairs and Festivals Convention held in January 2010 in Charleston, WV. (Weekend expenses, including one room for lodging at the Marriott Hotel is paid for you by the Fair. Your chaperones/parents may stay with you in your room.)
16. Miss Doddridge County may enter other pageants throughout the State. However, if another title is obtained by Miss Doddridge County that would conflict with competition in the 2010 W.Va. State Fairs and Festivals Pageant, she will have to forfeit her title. The Queen should consult the executive pageant director before entering another pageant.
17. To receive the scholarship awarded, the Queen must successfully complete her reign and prove enrollment in a higher educational facility. The Doddridge County Fair Board will be responsible for determining the qualifications of eligible facilities.
18. If the winner of the pageant is a high school student, the scholarship funds will be kept in escrow until the individual has graduated from the 12th grade, provided proof of enrollment in a higher education facility and has fulfilled her responsibilities and completed her reign as Queen.
19. Contestants/Queen may not have bore any children, had a marriage annulled or have been convicted of any crime. If for any reason "Miss Doddridge County" should become pregnant during her reign, she forfeits her title and the 1st Runner-Up will succeed.
20. "Miss Doddridge County" should maintain a reputation of good moral character; failure to do so may result in her forfeit of her title and in such case the 1st Runner-Up will succeed. Any complaints of questionable character would result in the result of the Doddridge County Fair Commission meeting and voting on the decision of said poor conduct.
21. Once you have been "Miss Doddridge County," you may not compete again for the title.

Signed _____

Date _____

Parent Signature (if under 18) _____

Date _____

Signed _____

Cynthia J.T. Loomis, Executive Director
Doddridge County Fair Queens Pageant

Date _____