



MISS RODEO MINNESOTA CONTRACT

This agreement is between _____ who has been selected as MRMN 2024 and the Miss Rodeo Minnesota Association effective the date set forth herein.

The purpose of this agreement is to state the obligations of “Miss Rodeo Minnesota” and to define the rules that govern her conduct, responsibilities, and attitude while she holds the state title and crown of “Miss Rodeo Minnesota.”

General guidelines and rules:

1. MRMN will establish her own schedule for appearances and events with approval from the MRMN board and National Director. Should issues or questions arise regarding scheduling, MRMN should contact the National Director or the MRMN Board of Directors to assist in resolving questions regarding her schedule. MRMN shall fulfill all scheduled appearances whether scheduled by the National Director, the MRMN Board of Directors or MRMN. At the time of the execution of this agreement, scheduled appearances shall, at a minimum, be as follows: MN Horse Expo, all PRCA rodeos in Minnesota, the Great Lake Circuit Finals and the 2025 MRMN pageant and participation in the 2025 Miss Rodeo America pageant. For the schedule of PRCA rodeos and contact persons, you are referred to www.prorodeo.com. In the case where there are two rodeos in the same day/weekend, please defer to the MRMN Board of Directors for recommended scheduling.
2. If MRMN wishes to seek reimbursement for relevant expenditures, receipts, and an accompanying expense report must be submitted to the MRMNA Board. Each month, an expense report with itemized receipts must be submitted within 1 week of the end of that month. The MRMN Board of Directors retains complete discretion as to whether MRMN will receive reimbursement for the expenditure. MRMN may not be reimbursed for expenditures if the receipt and expense report is submitted beyond the month that it

was incurred by MRMN. MRMN will not be reimbursed for any expenditure if there is not a corresponding itemized receipt.

3. It is the duty and obligation of MRMN to practice the highest moral standards. MRMN is expected to adhere to the guidelines as laid out in the accompanying Miss Rodeo Minnesota Handbook. MRMN shall portray the ideals of young womanhood and set an example of personal and moral conduct that is above reproach as determined by the MRMN Board. MRMN acknowledges that once she is MRMN, she must make a seventeen-month commitment to the Association. She must act, speak, and dress according to the prestige the title of MRMN deserves. She must be willing to prioritize her role as MRMN. The use of alcohol, tobacco, illegal substances, abuse of over the counter or prescription drugs, lying, engaging in gossip, making defamatory or slanderous comments concerning others, racial insensitivity, inappropriate language or other conduct unbecoming to her title shall be considered improper conduct. If MRMN engages in any unacceptable conduct, she may be disciplined. Discipline may include the removal of her title as MRMN and all benefits and privileges that go with the title including the return of all prizes.
4. MRMN hereby certifies that she is not less than 21 years of age and not 27 years of age or older and will not have attained age 27 as of December 31, 2024.
5. MRMN certifies that she has never been married or pregnant.
6. MRMN is a legal resident of the state of Minnesota and no other state.
7. MRMN agrees that during her reign, she will not cohabit with anyone of the opposite sex other than her immediate family. MRMN will not become publicly engaged or married during her reign. MRMN also agrees that should she become pregnant/ married during her reign, she will immediately forfeit her crown and title with all consequences provided in paragraph three.
8. MRMN shall not conduct or participate in, either directly or indirectly, any local, regional, national or international competition, which would conflict with the terms and intent or the rules and regulations that govern MRMN. She is not allowed to hold any other title during her reign as MRMN unless she is successful in the competition for the Miss Rodeo America title. A violation of this provision may result in the forfeiture of the MRMN crown and title.

9. MRMN may not enter into any agreements for appearances with television, radio, newspaper or other media types without review and approval given by the MRMN board
10. MRMN shall communicate with the National Director for the State of Minnesota at least once per week via telephone or e-mail and before and after each scheduled appearance.
11. MRMN shall provide the National Director with a recap of events or functions attended the previous week, events or functions to be attended the following week, or just to discuss any concerns or good news regarding MRMN.
12. The reigning MRMN must attend the coronation of the next MRMN. Failure to do so shall result in MRMN forfeiting her scholarship unless the reigning MRMN, at least three weeks before the coronation, receives written approval from the Board President or National Director, or submits a physician's statement advising that MRMN should not attend the scheduled coronation due to a medical condition.
13. I understand that scholarships may be administered and awarded by the Miss Rodeo Minnesota Association, at the end of my reign. I agree to accept and abide by the terms thereof if such an award is made to me. I also understand that the Scholarship, if awarded to me, must be used within 5 years after completion of my reign as "Miss Rodeo Minnesota" or "Miss Rodeo America" and can only be applied to an accredited educational or vocational program, or a current student loan. The Lyon County Rodeo Committee has agreed to provide MRMN with a \$1,500 scholarship to be used for educational purposes at the completion of her reign. \$500 of this scholarship may be used for "pageant coaching" during the 2024 reign. Intent to use this money for coaching must be clearly communicated to the National Director and the pageant coach must be approved by the MRMN board.

14. MRMN shall:

- a. Be a female citizen of the United States of America and reside in the state of Minnesota during her reign as MRMN.
- b. Have obtained a high school diploma (or equivalent).

- c. Certify that she is a female and has always been female.
- d. Not currently married nor has ever been married. MRMN agrees that she is not engaged to be married nor will become publicly engaged to be married during the course of her reign.
- e. Be of good moral character and have not been involved in an act of moral turpitude.
- f. Not been convicted of any crime or felony.
- g. Be in good health and not have any health concerns which would prevent her from fulfilling her year.
- h. Not use any illegal or controlled substances (other than prescription medications and then only in the manner prescribed.) MRMN does not abuse alcohol or other dangerous substances.
- i. Not have competed in or been awarded any titles in any other pageant of any kind during the prior year, nor is currently serving as an award winner or representative of any other pageant or similar contest.
- j. Not have competed in any prior Miss Rodeo America Pageant.
- k. Not be engaged in any act, which if made public, would be reasonably likely to cause harm or damage to her reputation or to the goodwill and reputation of Miss Rodeo Minnesota.
- l. Have not heretofore authorized any person, firm or corporation to use my name, photograph, picture, present or future title in connection with any endorsement or advertisement or any commercial product or service; and I am not under any contractor other obligation to any persons, firm or corporation or have any legal obligation which would prevent my participation in an appearance as Miss Rodeo Minnesota, or which would prevent or hinder my compliance with the terms, conditions, and obligations hereafter specified.
- m. Not be accompanied by her significant other when making appearances or while wearing her crown and banner. It is agreed that the presence of a significant other (s) at any event will only distract the queen in the fulfillment of her obligations.
- n. Wear her banner, hat, crown and western attire when appearing in all public activities or rodeos. Additional items will be required to complete your western wardrobe and will be the responsibility of MRMN to provide. The National Director may provide guidance for purchase to ensure proper selections are made.
- o. MRMN will be expected to maintain proper personal hygiene (i.e. hair, make-up, no chipped nail polish, etc.).
- p. During the year as “Miss Rodeo Minnesota,” social media pages should reflect the prestigious title. Messages or photos that are deemed untasteful will be asked to be removed immediately.

- q. Not compete in any rodeo while making an official appearance as MRMN unless there is prior approval from the MRMNA.
 - r. Write thank you notes in a timely manner for the following reasons: items donated for auctions, horses donated, rooms/boarding donated, monetary donations, gifts, etc. Electronic thank you letters **are not** acceptable.
15. In the event that the MRMN Association Board of Directors deems it to be necessary to remove the crown of MRMN, none of the individual members of the Association, the Board of Directors, officers or agents thereof shall be named as Party in any action at law. No action at law may be maintained for breach of either the MRMN contract rules or the MRA rules and regulations. MRMN does hereby waive the right to bring suit or claim of any kind as a result of the involuntary removal of the MRMN title or crown due to a breach of their agreement by MRMN. MRMN shall have no cause of action against the Association or its member, officers, directors, agents or employees.
16. The MRMN crown is the Association's possession to be used by MRMN during her year. During her reign, the queen is liable for, which includes but is not limited to, maintenance, damage, loss or theft of the crown. MRMN will agree to provide insurance in the amount of \$ 7,000 for the MRMN crown during her reign. Proof of the MRMN crown insurance policy must be sent to the MRMN board. The buckle is a gift to MRMN and is hers to keep.
17. The perpetual items to be used by MRMN during her year are the possession of the MRMNA. During her reign, the queen is liable for, which includes but is not limited to, maintenance, damage, loss, or theft of these items. These items must be returned in the same or better condition at the completion of the reign. A list of these items and current condition will be kept on file with the Association.
18. The MRMN Association and MRMN agree that any modification or amendment of this agreement must be in writing and signed by all parties hereto.
19. The Association shall provide MRMN with a list of official sponsors. MRMN shall deal and trade with her personal sponsors and Association sponsors in the areas of their specialty. MRMN shall assist in the promotion of her sponsors in all reasonable ways, taking into account the commitments defined in the agreement.

20. The MRMN Association is a nonprofit organization and relies on donations and special fundraisers. Monies obtained through these methods will be put into the Association budget and allotted from there.

21. The use of the Miss Rodeo Minnesota logo is expressly controlled by the MRMNA and cannot be reproduced or used in ANY manner without the permission of the MRMNA. The image and likeness of MRMN, including the title itself, is also controlled by the MRMNA; therefore, any advertising, marketing or promotion of any product or service by Miss Rodeo Minnesota must be approved in writing by the MRMNA.

22. Provisions regarding the Miss Rodeo America Pageant:

- a. MRMN must represent Minnesota at the Miss Rodeo America Pageant.
- b. Family, friends, and relatives are welcome and encouraged to support their state queen. However, under no circumstances are they to interact with the state queen at non-approved activities or the MRA pageant official at any given time.
- c. No significant others will be allowed to fraternize with MRMN or distract her at any time during the MRA Pageant.
- d. Any infractions of the MRA rules could disqualify MRMN from the MRA competition. MRA rules are contained in the MRA rulebook to be provided to MRMN.

Release & Waiver:

I, _____, the undersigned MRMN 2024 do hereby release the Miss Rodeo Minnesota Association, its officers, agents, and employees from any liability or claim of whatever kind or nature due to injury to my person or property while I am engaged in any activity related to my duties as reigning queen. This release shall extend to all sponsors, the pageant and members of the Miss Rodeo Minnesota Association. This release is intended to be complete and comprehensive and shall be binding upon my heir executors, administrators, and my agents. I hereby release title, claim, and rights to photographs and/or public relations materials involving me to the Miss Rodeo Minnesota Association.

I agree to complete the tenure of my title in accordance with the aforesaid regulation and in the best interest of MRMN and the MRMNA and will relinquish all claims relating to the title upon naming my successor.

By my signature on this contract, I hereby certify that I have read this agreement. My conduct as MRMN 2024 will be in strict accordance with the terms of this agreement. I acknowledge that this agreement applies to all association programs, activities, and functions. I will maintain a consistent line of communication with the MRMN National Director and the MRMNA throughout my reign. That I hereby affix my signature attesting my agreement to the above without reserve.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on this ____ day of _____, 20__.

MISS RODEO MINNESOTA 2024: _____

WITNESS: _____

NATIONAL DIRECTOR: _____

The undersigned, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says that the statements and representations contained in this Contract are true and correct to the best of her knowledge, information and belief on this ____ day of _____, 20__.

Notary Public for the State of Minnesota

Printed Name

My Commission #: _____

My Commission Expires: _____