

Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation

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2027 Official Contestant Handbook

Rules | Requirements | Expectations

Miss Division (20-26)

Please read these rules and regulations thoroughly.
Ignorance of these rules and regulations does not exclude any contestant or her friends/family from the requirements, processes, or penalties of these rules and regulations.

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Former Miss Rodeo Mississippi Titleholders

Brinkley Boswell.....	Florence	2026
***Sierra Greene	Sumrall	2025
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Mary Claire Cornett Parker	Purvis.....	2021
*Taylor McNair Hill.....	Learned.....	2018
***Emma Jumper	Starkville.....	2017
Laura Sumrall	Summit	2015
*Paige Nicholson Bergeron	Lawrence	2013
***Samantha Golden Hanna.....	Lauderdale.....	2012
Rachael Dee Case	Vicksburg.....	2011
Katie Jo Vanderslice Smart.....	Pachuta	2010
*Kelli Jackson Russell, Ph.D.	Eupora	2009
Laura Leigh Dorman	Vicksburg.....	2008
Cori Keyes Leist.....	Edwards	2007
Adrienne Borden Lawrimore.....	Starkville.....	2006
Cari Keyes Wansley	Edwards	2005
****Lacie Stockstill Panich	Mendenhall	2004
Angel Spivey Henry	Vicksburg.....	2003
Briana Ratcliff	Columbia.....	2002
Robin Meeks Morris	Canton	2001
Amy Arinder Young.....	Morton.....	2000
Sarah Johnson Gatwood	Natchez	1999
DeShannon Davis, Ph.D.....	Meridian	1998
Megan Young Withers		1995
Misty Royals Smith		1994
Melinda Poole.....		1992
Melanie Broome.....		1991
Angela Foshee Madison.....		1990
Karen Hudson		1989
Janet McGee Stegall		1988
Ellen Blough Morgan.....		1987
Gaye Walker Martin		1986
Kathy Steverson Straughan		1985
Jodie Alman Vaughan.....		1984
Deedra Burnett Bookout.....		1983
LeAnne Breland.....		1982
Mary Jane Hunt Carpenter.....		1981
Nancy Finane Christensen.....		1980
Sherri Anne Brunson		1978
Patti Jo Brunson		1977
Nancy Langebartel		1976
Margaret Shippee		1975
Tracy Thompson.....		1974

***Denotes Miss Rodeo America**

**** Denotes Top Five Finalist at the Miss Rodeo America Pageant**

*****Denotes Top Ten Finalist at the Miss Rodeo America Pageant**

******Denotes Southeastern Region winner at the Miss Rodeo America Pageant**

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A Message from the President

On behalf of the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation (MRMF), welcome, and thank you for your interest in competing for the title of Miss Rodeo Mississippi. The Miss Rodeo Mississippi Pageant is about far more than selecting a titleholder. It is a celebration of young women who demonstrate exceptional horsemanship, leadership, integrity, professionalism, and a genuine passion for the sport of rodeo and the preservation of our western heritage.

This handbook has been prepared to provide a clear understanding of the rules, expectations, and procedures that govern the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Pageant. Please read it carefully and refer to it throughout your preparation. Our goal is to ensure every contestant enjoys a fair, consistent, and rewarding pageant experience.

Regardless of the outcome of the competition, we hope your participation strengthens your confidence, builds lasting friendships, and deepens your appreciation for the traditions and values that make the sport of rodeo so special.

Thank you for your commitment to representing the western way of life and the great state of Mississippi. We wish you the very best throughout your pageant journey.

Warm regards,



Corrine Jackson Rodriguez
President
Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation



Brinkley Boswell
2026 Miss Rodeo Mississippi
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About This Handbook

The Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation (MRMF) is committed to providing a pageant experience that is fair, consistent, professional, and enjoyable for every contestant. The rules and regulations in this handbook have been established to ensure that every contestant competes under the same standards and understands the expectations associated with participation in the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Pageant.

Please read this handbook carefully before completing your application and keep it available for reference throughout your pageant experience. If you have questions, we encourage you to contact the Pageant Director or a member of the MRMF Board of Directors before the pageant weekend.

The MRMF reserves the right to amend its rules and guidelines by action of the Board of Directors. Thank you for helping us uphold the traditions, integrity, and western heritage of the MRMF!

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Contestant Eligibility for Miss Rodeo Mississippi:

The mission of the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation (MRMF) is to provide vision and leadership to Miss Rodeo Mississippi (MRM), enabling her to represent the state of Mississippi and enhance the sport of rodeo and promote our western heritage. MRMF establishes that the rules and regulations in this handbook shall be applicable to all title-and sub-title holders under contract to MRMF, and all approved contestants competing for the title of Miss Rodeo Mississippi.

Each contestant in the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Pageant shall be on the date of the competition and final selection of Miss Rodeo Mississippi:

- Must be a female as established by the gender at birth as shown on an official copy of her Certificate of Birth. Must supply Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation (MRMF) with one official copy of her Certificate of Birth.
- Must consider herself a female and not have ever had her gender reclassified on her birth certificate. Must use the pronouns she/her.
- Must be at least 21 years of age by November 1, 2026, and will not have attained the age of 27 as of December 31, 2026.
 - A contestant who is 20 years of age at the time of the pageant may compete for the title of Miss Rodeo Mississippi, if she obtains the age of 21 by November 1, 2026.
- Must have a high school diploma or equivalent of high school education. Shall supply a copy of high school diploma or the equivalent of a high school diploma to the MRMF, if requested.
- Must not have ever been married and/or given birth. Must not be the legal guardian of a dependent.
- Must not be cohabitating or live as a part of a domestic partnership living arrangement or share living facilities with any person in a romantic relationship, or with a member of the opposite sex outside the degrees of consanguinity as established by law. Normal college dormitory/sorority living arrangements are specifically exempt from this rule.
- Must not have taken any actions, which in the good faith determination of the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation (MRMF), will now or in the future is likely to cause harm or damage to the goodwill or reputation of MRMF. This includes the improper use of social media including, but not limited to Facebook, X (formerly Twitter), YouTube, Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, or any other forms thereof. This also includes but is not limited to inappropriate language, pictures, videos, etc.
- Contestants may not be engaged to be married at the time of application and pageant competition nor throughout the year of reign if chosen as Miss Rodeo Mississippi.
- Must not be under any contractual obligations that would interfere with her ability to participate in the state pageant and/or year as Miss Rodeo Mississippi.
- Must be a resident of the State of Mississippi at least six months prior to the pageant. Miss Rodeo Mississippi Elect must maintain permanent Mississippi residency throughout her reign.
- Shall provide a copy of a valid Mississippi Driver's License, and/or Mississippi Voter's

registration card to the MRMF, if requested.

- Must not have been a prior contestant and/or competed in a Miss Rodeo America Pageant.
- Must not be a current titleholder of any other pageant titles, nor pursuing any other titles throughout her reign if chosen as Miss Rodeo Mississippi.
- Must abide by all rules and regulations of MRMF including MRMF Rule Book and attachments, pageant contestant rules, general rules, written expectations, official communications and documents, and verbal direction from the competent authority (National Director, Judges, and Board of Directors). Concerns shall respectfully be brought to the attention of the involved Director(s), the National Director, Pageant Director, or the President in a timely manner.
- Must have executed and presented all required documents, consents, waivers, contracts and/or agreements presented as conditions or precedents to pageant competition, title or contracted party prior to the receipt of prizes, awards, scholarships, monies, or participation in approved activities.
- Must abide by the laws of the jurisdiction(s) she is in.
- Must have never been convicted of a felony crime (or equivalent, while a juvenile). Must not have pending criminal charges (other than minor traffic violations, with the exception of DUI, Aggravated DUI, and Reckless Driving) or have adjudicated criminal sentences pending against her. Must disclose to the Board by providing contestant affidavit her criminal history and pending sentences other than minor traffic violations. Shall have and maintain a valid operator's license.

Any contestant who does not meet the qualifications set forth above shall be denied the right to compete in the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Pageant.

Notes

- If there is only one contestant in the Miss Rodeo Mississippi pageant, to be crowned she must complete a private meeting by the MRM Foundation Board of Directors. This meeting will include, but is not limited to, an exhibition of all pageant judged events (horsemanship, extemporaneous speech, interviews, extemporaneous questions, modeling, and written test). In this case, if there is only one contestant, if for any reason the Board of Directors feel she cannot fulfill the duties of Miss Rodeo Mississippi, she will not be crowned.

Loss of Title and Benefits:

Subsequent to the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Pageant, any person being awarded the title of Miss Rodeo Mississippi, and otherwise becoming the successor thereto, must not:

- Have been previously or currently married and/or given birth to a child
- Elect to change genders or use any other pronouns than she/her
- Be charged with and/or determined to have committed any crime of moral turpitude
- Compete in and/or otherwise participate in any other beauty and/or talent contest, pageant and/or activity that takes precedence over the title of Miss Rodeo Mississippi. Upon the occurrence of any

of the above events, the title of Miss Rodeo Mississippi together with any and all benefits derived by such person shall be forfeited and awarded to the next qualified runner-up

- Not following the rules and regulations set forth by the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation
- Being caught with drugs, alcohol, and/or tobacco products at any time or place during your year long reign
- Cohabiting with a non-familial male during your reign
- Not communicating with the Miss Rodeo Mississippi National Director and President of the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation
- Being belligerent
- Using profanity
- Not meeting deadlines set by the MRM Foundation and/or the Miss Rodeo America organization.
- Not fulfilling your obligations set forth by the MRM Foundation in the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Contract and Miss Rodeo Mississippi Handbook

Pageant Disqualifications and Deductions

To provide a fair, safe, and professional experience for every contestant, the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation (MRMF) enforces the following standards of conduct. These policies identify actions that may result in disqualification or score deductions and are applied consistently throughout the competition.

For additional information, please refer to the Grievance Process below.

Automatic Disqualifications:

- Poor sportsmanship
- Using foul language
- Animal cruelty
- Being coached during horsemanship
- Someone warming up the horsemanship horse on horseback other than the contestant.
- Any attempt to threaten, bribe, influence, harass, or coerce a judge, another contestant, titleholders, or pageant committee member by a contestant or a contestant's family member before, during, or after the event.

The Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation reserves the right to deny any applications from potential contestants that have committed any of these infractions during (or in the case of the last bullet point also after) a previous Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation produced pageant.

Automatic Score Deductions:

- Being late to an event
 - Roll call will be taken at the start of each required event
 - Additional details and a full schedule will be provided to contestants prior to the pageant.
 - Missing roll call because of late arrival results in a 25-point overall deduction for each occurrence. ***No exceptions.***

Judge-Assessed Score Deductions:

- Failure to comply with the required dress code results in a 15-point overall deduction for each occurrence.
- Failure to comply with the horsemanship tack requirements results in a 15-point overall deduction for each occurrence.

Pageant Authority and Grievance Process

Pageant Authority

- The pageant is an annual event. The Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation (MRMF) conducts the actual competition and arranges the judges, awards, and entries.
- The MRMF has complete authority over the pageant competition and any activities of the contestants during the competition.
- All problems or complaints are to be referred within an hour of occurrence to the MRMF. The proper procedure for filing a grievance is to put the complaint in writing and submit to the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Board of Directors, along with a \$100 cash grievance fee for further review.
 - **A grievance CANNOT be filed based on the outcome of the pageant.**
- Any member of the MRMF Board of Directors who personally observes any misconduct or violation of Pageant Rules or the Contestant Code of Conduct contract shall report the incident to the Grievance Committee.
 - Such misconduct or infraction must be reported by the member of the Board who observed the infraction or misconduct and cannot be based on hearsay or remarks from other individuals or contestants.
 - Such reported infractions or misconduct shall be handled in the same manner as a grievance filed by a contestant.

Miss Rodeo Mississippi Pageant Grievance Committee

- The Committee consists of three members appointed by the MRMF President, including a designated Grievance Committee Chairperson.
- The Grievance Committee Chairperson serves as the spokesperson and point of contact. The Grievance Committee Chairperson does not vote on grievances.
- If Grievance Committee members are absent, the MRMF President shall appoint an alternate for each vacant position.
- Grievance Committee members consider only firsthand observations and documented information.

A grievance as defined by the dictionary is:

1. A cause of distress giving reason for complaint.
2. An actual or supposed circumstance regarded as just cause for protest.
3. A complaint or protestation based on such a circumstance.

4. Indignation or resentment stemming from a feeling of being wronged.

Review Process

When the Grievance Committee Chairperson receives a grievance, he or she must convene the Grievance Committee. The Grievance Committee will review the grievance. Once the Grievance Committee reviews the grievance it will make a decision whether to act upon, reject, or disregard the grievance. All decisions are binding on all parties to the grievance.

1. The Committee and the contestant filing the grievance will not discuss the grievance with anyone else, including but not limited to other parents, contestants, or judges.
2. The Committee must make a decision based on facts and be certain, without a doubt, that the accused was intentionally involved in misconduct or misrepresented oneself or there was an infraction of a rule.
3. The Committee, in turn, will review the grievance to determine if the complaint is substantiated. If it is determined to be a valid grievance, a meeting of the Grievance Committee and Judges will be convened. If it is determined the grievance has not substantiated the proceedings shall cease.
4. Committee and Pageant Judges will interview the person against whom the charge is being filed and the person filing the grievance. Such interview shall be held separately and privately. Either of the individuals shall have the option to decline the private interview, in which case the Grievance Committee and Pageant Judge shall make a decision based on the facts as presented. The Grievance Committee and Pageant Judges shall then dismiss the contestants and shall review the complaint.
5. The Grievance Committee and Pageant Judges must come to majority decision. Consequences shall be set as follows:
 - No Penalty.
 - Point deductions as determined by members of the Grievance Committee and Pageant Judges.
 - Disqualifications.
6. The pageant will continue as scheduled until decisions have been made.

Contestant Expenses

Contestants in the Miss Rodeo Mississippi pageant are required to pay their own transportation to and from the pageant, lodging, food, entry fees, ad in pageant program, and any other expenses that might occur during the pageant.

Miss Rodeo Mississippi Judging Guidelines:

Judges

- A panel of at least three judges will evaluate all scored events.
- All scores will be totaled for each contestant each time they are judged.

- Judges are selected for their expertise of western horsemanship, professional rodeo, appearance, communication, and related disciplines.
- Judges are instructed to evaluate contestants for sincerity, integrity, maturity, intelligence, professionalism, horsemanship, public speaking, and knowledge of professional rodeo.

Judged Events

1. Horsemanship
2. Written Test
3. Interview
4. Style Show
 - a. Extemporaneous Speech

Scoring and Awards

- Points will be awarded to contestants in four major categories (Appearance, Personality, Horsemanship, and Knowledge and Presentation)
- Points are also awarded for Speech and Written Test.
- Below is the official breakdown of total points awarded:

<u>Appearance</u>	<u>Personality</u>	<u>Horsemanship</u>	<u>Knowledge and Presentation</u>	<u>Speech</u>	<u>Written Test</u>
180	180	180	135	45	30

Winners

- After all the judged events are completed and scores are tabulated, the category winners will be announced. The winner in each category is determined by the contestant who receives the highest score, in that particular category. The winner of the Speech Award will have the highest cumulative score of speech points received in the speech event. The winner of the Written Test award will have scored the highest on the written test taken at the pageant.
- The contestant receiving the highest grand total for the competition shall be crowned Miss Rodeo Mississippi. The contestant receiving the second highest grand total shall be first runner-up. That contestant receiving the third highest grand total shall be second runner-up.
- Ties for category winners will be broken by referring back to Judge #1. Judge #1's score will break the tie. If a tie still remains, Judge #2's score will be used...and so on until the tie is broken. Ties resulting in the Speech Award will be broken by using the same method as the category winners. A tie for the Written Test Award will result in each contestant scoring the highest on the written test winning the award. A tie for Miss Rodeo Mississippi will be broken by the horsemanship scores, i.e., the contestant with the highest score in horsemanship will receive the higher ranking. If a tiebreaker is still needed, Judge #1's score will be used.
- **The Judges' decision is final.**
- **Most Ads Sold** – The MRMF requires that each contestant sell a minimum \$75 in ads for the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Pageant official program book. The contestant who sells the most ads ranked by dollar amount will receive an award. Please refer to the program ad sheet for more information

about cost, size, and requirements. The Most Ads Sold Award does not have any factor(s) in the judged events or overall scores of the pageant. In no way will points be added or deducted to a contestant's score based upon ads sold.

- **People's Choice Award-** The MRMF will post each contestant's photo that is submitted with her application on the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Facebook page. The People's Choice Award will be given to the contestant who receives the most "likes" on her picture. Shares and comments do not count for the People's Choice Award. The People's Choice Award does not have any factor(s) in the judged events or overall scores of the pageant. In no way will points be added or deducted to a contestant's score based upon social media "likes."

Horsemanship

The horsemanship competition is designed to evaluate each contestant's riding ability, confidence, safety, sportsmanship, and overall horsemanship. Contestants are expected to demonstrate control of their horse while presenting themselves in a professional manner.

General Information

- There will be two rounds of horsemanship.
 - Round One will consist of a horsemanship pattern (see diagrams on pages 12-15). The pattern will be selected on the day of the horsemanship competition. The pattern will be demonstrated by the reigning Miss Rodeo Mississippi.
 - Round Two will consist of a queen's run, flag presentation, and a brief horsemanship interview with the judges. The use of a flag boot in Round Two is **MANDATORY**.
- **Contestants *MAY be required* to ride a draw horse for the horsemanship competition.** Additional information will be provided at or before the time of pageant check-in.
- Contestants must provide their own horse, feed, and equipment for the Miss Rodeo Mississippi pageant. Time is limited; therefore, we encourage parents and/or sponsors to feed, water, clean stalls, and bathe your horse.
- **ONLY THE CONTESTANT MAY WARM UP THE HORSE ON HORSEBACK.** Failure to abide by this rule will result in the immediate disqualification of the contestant.
- All horses entering the Mississippi State Fair Grounds are required to have current health papers and a negative Coggins test.
- At the discretion of the MRMF, contestants may be asked to wait as a group on horseback in a holding pen (either inside or outside of the arena), before the start of and for the duration of the horsemanship competition (Rounds One and Two).
- The understanding and skill of the contestant will be judged and not the horse or the equipment.
- Required Tack:
 - Western Tack
 - Split Reins for Horsemanship Round One (Reining Pattern)
 - Flag Boot for Horsemanship Round Two (Queen's run and flag presentation)

- Optional Equipment:
 - Tie- Down
 - Bell Boots/Split Boots/Polo Wraps
 - Spurs

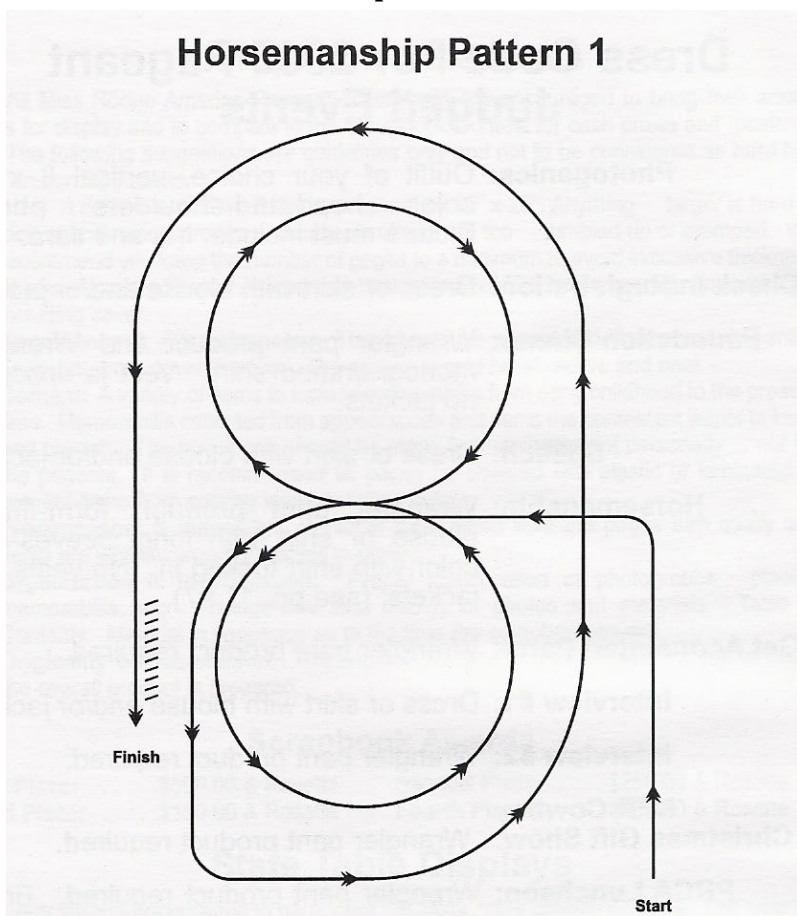
Judging Criteria

- Control of mount
- The way any situation which may occur is handled
- Balance and correct position of hands, feet, and seat
- Mounting and dismounting
- Execution of the designated horsemanship pattern

Horsemanship Round One

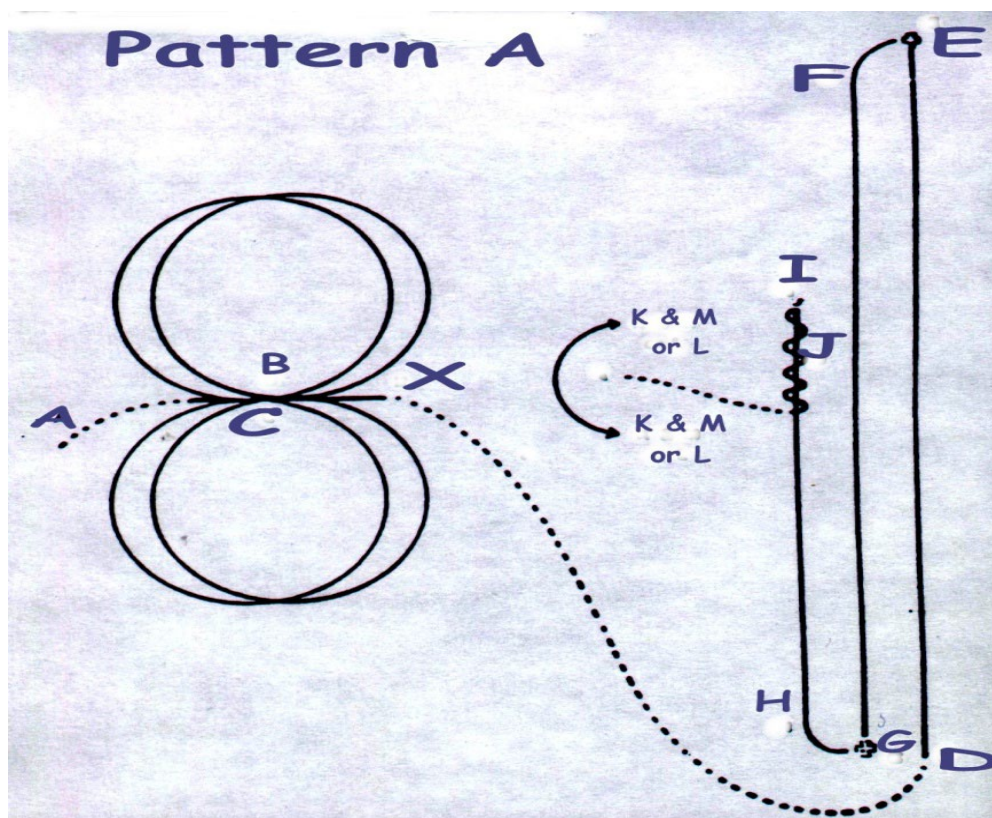
- A pattern will be selected from the following options (1-4) on the day of the horsemanship competition.
- After the completion of the selected horsemanship pattern, contestants should turn and ride over to the judges and dismount. Contestants will remount their horse and walk out of the arena.
- The MRMF Board of Directors reserve the right to make alternations and/or additions to these instructions.

Option 1



1. Do extended jog (trot) alongside of arena, then to center
2. Begin lope at center of arena and lope left circle on left lead
3. Change leads at center of arena and lope right circle on right lead
4. Change leads and continue loping around end of arena
5. Once on the straight, increase speed and continue around end of arena
6. Stop and back
7. The MRMF Board of Directors reserve the right to make alterations and/or additions to this pattern

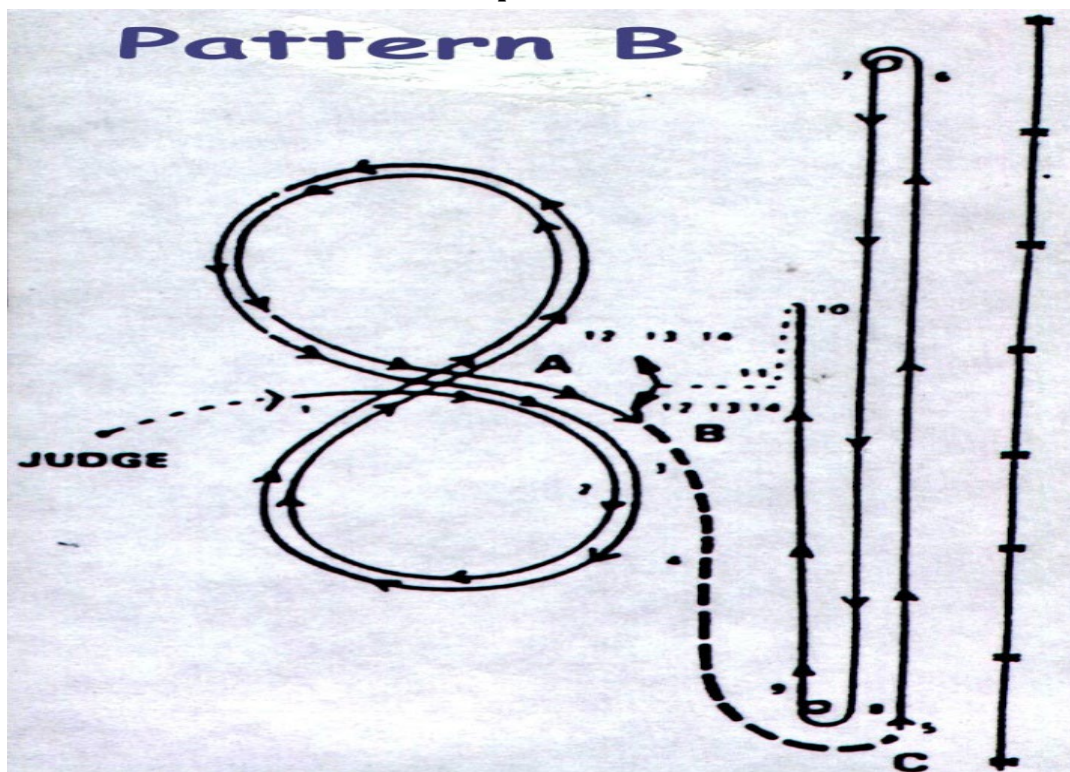
Option 2



1. Begin work to right
2. First figure eight
3. Second figure eight; then, after final lead change (before point marked X), proceed to point D at walk or trot
4. Begin run
5. Sliding Stop
6. Turn away from rail and begin second run
7. Sliding Stop
8. Turn away from rail and make short run
9. Sliding Stop
10. Back up
11. Quarter turn to right or left

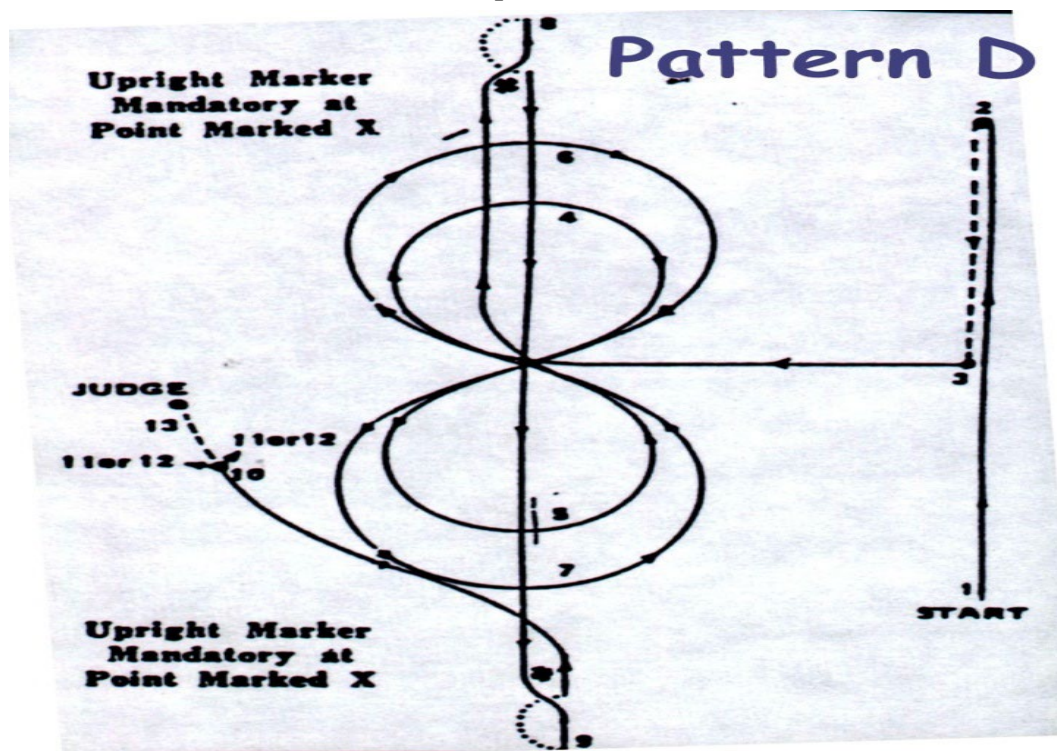
12. Half turn to opposite direction
13. Half turn to direction taken in K
14. The MRMF Board of Directors reserve the right to make alterations and/or additions to this pattern

Option 3



1. Begin work to right
2. First figure eight slow
3. Second Figure eight, faster (lead change must take place at point A)
4. Proceed from point B to point C at walk or trot
5. Begin run
6. Sliding Stop
7. Turn away from rail, do a spin and a half, no hesitation
8. Sliding Stop
9. Turn away from rail, do a spin and a half, no hesitation
10. Sliding Stop
11. Back over slide marks. Face judge, walk a few steps
12. Pivot right or left, no more than 90 degrees
13. Pivot the opposite direction, no more than 180 degrees
14. Pivot in direction taken in 12 no more than 180 degrees
15. The MRMF Board of Directors reserve the right to make alterations and/or additions to this pattern

Option 4



1. 1. to 2. Run at full speed (should be run at least 20 feet from any fence or wall)
2. Stop and back
3. Settle horse for 10 seconds
- a. 4. & 5. Ride small figure eight at slow lope
- b. 6. & 7. Ride large figure eight fast
4. Left roll back over hocks. Upright markers are mandatory at points marked X on the pattern
5. Right roll back over hocks
6. Stop
7. Pivot left or right
8. Pivot opposite direction
9. Walk to judge and stop for inspection until dismissed
10. The MRMF Board of Directors reserve the right to make alterations and/or additions to this pattern

Horsemanship Round Two

- Contestants will make one lap around the arena at a fast, controlled pace and wave to the crowd for their queen's run.
- For the flag presentation, the contestant will make one lap around the arena at a slow lope and a second lap around the arena at a fast, controlled pace. The use of a flag boot is **MANDATORY**.
- Contestants ***MAY be required*** to participate in additional flag carrying duties throughout the pageant weekend.

- Contestants will individually participate in a short horsemanship interview with the judges. Questions are at the judges' discretion. Further instructions for Horsemanship Round Two will be provided on the date of the horsemanship competition.
- The Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation Board of Directors reserve the right to make alterations and/or additions to these instructions.

Written Test

The written test measures each contestant's knowledge of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA), the Miss Rodeo America (MRA) organization, and related pageant materials.

General Information

- There will be a 30-minute time limit for the Written Test.
- Questions will be of the following format:
 - Fill-in-the-blank
 - Multiple choice
- Questions will pertain to any of the information and categories listed in the Interview section on page 16.

Interview

The interview competition allows judges to become acquainted with each contestant beyond her appearance and horsemanship. Contestants are evaluated on their communication skills, confidence, personality, professionalism, knowledge, and ability to represent the State of Mississippi and the PRCA with poise and integrity.

General Information

- Contestants will be individually interviewed privately by the judges.
- Questions asked will test the contestant's knowledge of the pageant, professional rodeo, equine science, horsemanship, current affairs, and general questions based upon her pageant application.

Style Show

The Style Show evaluates confidence, poise, personality, communication, and professionalism while giving contestants an opportunity to represent themselves and the MRMF.

General Information

- Contestants should be prepared to present a short introduction, model during their prerecorded

Motivational Moment (see below for more information), give an extemporaneous speech, and answer an extemporaneous question.

- Extemporaneous questions may relate to rodeo, current events, or other approved topics.

Extemporaneous Speech

- Each contestant is required to have a one minute and thirty seconds (1:30) extemporaneous speech about a given topic.
 - Speeches should be at least one minute long, but not exceeding one minute and thirty seconds
- Judging is based on content, delivery, and adherence to the time allotted for the presentation
- Topics will be provided to the contestant 10 minutes before the speech to allow the contestant to prepare a short speech.
- Notes cannot be used during planning or the actual speech.

Motivational Moment

- Contestants will submit a “Motivational Moment” (MM) to which they will model during the Style Show.
- MM’s do NOT have to be professionally recorded. It can be done on a smartphone on the voice recording app.
- The MRMF reserves the right to ask contestants to resubmit their recording if it does not follow the guidelines below. For example, if recording is too long, not appropriate, or includes info not following the listed parameters:
- MM recording must be read by the contestant ONLY to showcase her personality and speaking abilities.
- Recordings are limited to 45 seconds each.
- No background music/noise in the recording. Recording should be made in a quiet room, with no fans or other noise.
- Recording should be in first person format. For example, “I am....” instead of “she is....”
- The MM should contain a topic (examples below) and how that topic has made a difference (or motto to live by) in the contestant’s life.
 - Favorite Quote (person, movie, book, etc.)
 - Favorite song lyrics
 - Best piece of advice (Family member, friend, coach, etc.)
 - Etc. Be creative!
- Recordings are limited to the contestant’s choice of MM and the parameters on the application. ***Contestant’s name and hometown are required.*** After that, the content of the recording is up to the contestant. It can be a combination of ANY (DOES NOT HAVE TO BE ALL) of the following application parameters:
 - Parent(s)/guardian(s) names
 - Age
 - Education

- ## Modeling

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- Once your pre-recorded Motivational Moment ends, make a 180-degree turn to the left and follow the **RED ARROW** to exit Stage Right.
- The stage will be approximately 40 feet from the front of the stage to the back of the stage and 40 feet from point to point .

Attire Guidelines for 2027 Pageant

Check-In, Orientation, Written Test, and Horsemanship (Round One):

- A **WRANGLER** brand pant product; form-fitting blouse/shirt with long sleeves with shirt tail tucked in. *NO VESTS and/or JACKETS.*
- Cowboy hat (or cowboy hat styled helmet), boots, and a belt are required.
- Gloves and chaps are not allowed.
- All riding attire should be neat and fit properly.

Interview:

- Dress/skirt with shirt/blouse. Vests and jackets are permitted.
- Cowboy hat, boots, and a belt are required.
- The style you project with your outfit should reflect a *western image*. The outfit should be appropriate for a daytime speaking event.
- Per the Miss Rodeo America Rulebook, "all dresses must have sleeves at least $\frac{3}{4}$ or longer. If dress or top does not have sleeves, then a jacket with sleeves must be worn. The skirt length should not be more than 3" above the knee. No halter or prom type dresses. No midriff showing. Nothing extremely low cut either in the front or the back."

Horsemanship (Round Two):

- A **plain blue denim WRANGLER** brand pant product; a **red, white, and blue** form-fitting blouse or shirt with long sleeves with shirt tail tucked in. Vests are permitted. *NO JACKETS.*
- Cowboy hat (or cowboy hat styled helmet), boots, and a belt are required.
- Gloves and chaps are not allowed.
- All riding attire should be neat and fit properly.

Style Show, Speech, and Coronation:

- Dress/skirt with shirt/blouse. Vests and jackets are permitted.
- Cowboy hat, boots, and a belt are required.
- The outfit should be appropriate for an evening event (western elegance).
- Per the Miss Rodeo America Rulebook, "all dresses must have sleeves at least $\frac{3}{4}$ or longer. If dress or top does not have sleeves, then a jacket with sleeves must be worn. The skirt length should not be more than 3" above the knee. No halter or prom type dresses. No midriff showing. Nothing extremely low cut either in the front or the back."

Miss Rodeo Mississippi Pageant Information

This section provides important logistical information to help contestants and their families prepare for pageant weekend. Please review all schedules, communications, and deadlines carefully.

Communication

- Official updates will be distributed through the contact information provided on the contestant application.
- Contestants are responsible for reading all emails and announcements from the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation (MRMF).

Schedule & Attendance

- Contestants must arrive on time for every required activity and must participate in roll call.
- A detailed schedule will be provided before pageant weekend and should be followed throughout the event.

Photography & Media

- Contestants should participate in official photographs and media activities as scheduled.
- Official photographs and recordings may be used by the MRMF for promotional purposes in accordance with pageant policies.

General Information

- All required submissions must be received by 11:59pm on August 15, 2026, via email to missrodeomississippi@gmail.com. Further details are provided on page 10 of the contestant application.
- After payment is received, additional pertinent information regarding the state pageant competition, including a detailed pageant schedule, will be emailed to the contestant.
- Entry fee is \$125.00
- The 2027 Miss Rodeo Mississippi Pageant will be held October 10-11, 2026, at the Mississippi State Fairgrounds, Jackson, MS.
 - Stalls and RV/trailer hookups will be available. These fees will need to be paid to the Fairgrounds at the time you arrive.
 - Shavings will not be available, therefore, you will need to bring your own.
- Each contestant in the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Pageant is required to sell a minimum of \$75 in ads for the pageant program. Programs will be available for purchase at the pageant.

Pageant Program Ads

Program advertisements help support the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Pageant while giving family, friends, businesses, and sponsors an opportunity to recognize contestants. Please review the following

requirements and deadlines carefully. **Each contestant will be required to sell a minimum of \$75 in ads for the pageant program.** Ads must be submitted with the contestant's application. Please see the official application for more information.

COST:

Full-page ad = \$100.00

1/2-page ad = \$50.00

1/4-page ad = \$35.00

1/8-page ad = \$25.00

Inside back cover (if available) = \$200

Outside back cover (if available) = \$350

(Several sponsors may go in together to pay for one ad).

Please email missrodeomississippi@gmail.com if sponsors wish to pay ad fees via check.

Contact Information

- Official email- missrodeomississippi@gmail.com
- Website- www.missrodeomississippi.com
- Facebook- www.facebook.com/missrodeomississippifoundation
- Instagram- www.Instagram.com/missrodeomississippi
- Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation Board of Directors:
 - Corrine Rodriguez- President
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 - LeAnne Peters
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