All rules and guidelines below are for all contestants unless otherwise indicated.

- Must be born and compete as a female.
- Must be a student between the ages of 14 and 19 as of January of the contest year.
- Must be a resident of Liberty County or surrounding County that touches Liberty County.
 Liberty, San Jacinto, Hardin, Polk, Harris, Jefferson, Chambers or Montgomery
- May not be married, nor ever married, nor had a marriage nullified, or be living with a significant other.
- May not be pregnant, or have ever been pregnant, or have been charged with a felony or misdemeanor.
- If the new Miss Rodeo Cleveland Livestock Show becomes pregnant or marries during her reign, she will forfeit her title as Miss Rodeo Cleveland Livestock Show and return all prizes and money won to the Cleveland Livestock Show Queen's Committee.
- Title, prizes, money, and duties will be awarded to the first runner-up.
- Miss Rodeo Cleveland Livestock Show shall possess good morals and character, set high standards and judgments, and serve as a positive role model for all youth and our community.
- No former Miss Rodeo Cleveland Livestock Show titleholders are eligible.
- Contestants must be currently enrolled in a Texas-approved School. Must be in good standing and maintain passing grades. A copy of the current report card must accompany the entry form and will serve as residency and age requirements.
- Check the Schedule of Events for the date, time, and location of Orientation.
- A competition fee of \$40 must be made payable to the Cleveland Livestock Show.
- Must be in rodeo/western attire with contestant banners on at all Cleveland Rodeo and Livestock Show events.
- No drinking of alcoholic beverages, smoking, or public display of affection (kissing, holding hands, sexual contact) during the Cleveland Rodeo or Livestock Show weeks. This behavior will result in immediate disqualification and banned from future queen competitions at the Cleveland Livestock Show.
- Only Cleveland Livestock Show-related scheduling conflicts approved by the pageant coordinator will be allowed.
- Failure to attend and compete at all judged and required events will result in disqualification and loss of all prizes, money, and competition fees. Promptness and politeness are essential. Remember you are an ambassador for the Cleveland Livestock Show.
- All Judges' decisions are final. Scores remain the property of the Cleveland Livestock Show Queen Committee.
- Each contestant will receive her score and the Queen's score along with any judge's notes left for the contestant.
- Any contestant, parent, or guest demonstrating poor sportsmanship, argumentative, etc. Will be asked to leave the event. If it is a contestant, she will be disqualified immediately. This includes wearing shirts disparaging the current or new queen.

- A photographer will be present at orientation to take headshots for the newspaper. Arrive camera-ready in Western attire (White long-sleeved shirt/denim jeans/ hat). This will be the picture that is judged for photogenic.
- ATTIRE FOR ENTIRE COMPETITION: Western attire is required. White long sleeve,(or whatever color we vote on) button-up shirt, denim pants, hat, and boots. Accessories are optional. Accessory means earrings and necklaces.

Interview

- Western attire is required. Long sleeve western button-up shirt(color will be decided on by a vote), denim pants, hat, and boots.
- The contestant banner must be worn.
- The speech time limit is 3 to 5 minutes.
- The contestant will be given all the information she needs for the contest.
- Prepared speeches, interviews, and impromptu questioning will all be private.

Horsemanship

- Must provide your own horse, saddle, and tack. You will ride a reining pattern on your horse. A competing order will be drawn. NO STUD HORSES ALLOWED.
- A copy of the current negative Coggins with a valid date through the completion of the rodeo schedule must be provided.
- Patterns will be provided at orientation.
- At completion of your horsemanship pattern, you will ride to judges dismount answer questions then ride a "Queen's Lap".
- Discussion of any questions on the paper test is an automatic disqualification.
- Only contestants, judges, and committees will be allowed in the arena and holding arena. NO parents, family, or friends will be allowed in these areas. Only horse owners will be allowed in the arena or holding area in case of a horse emergency only.
- Contestants' banners must be worn with a white long-sleeved button-up shirt, denim pants, hat, and boots.
- There will be NO coaching from the stands or anywhere around the arena during the contest.

Rodeo

- Must be on the premises and checked in with the Queen Committee behind the alleyway at set time. Promptness is essential.
- Western-style long-sleeved shirt, jeans, hats, and boots. Contestant banners must be worn at all times.
- Must own a horse that will be able to carry a flag. Horses must be flag broke!!
- Will be required to ride in Grand Entry, Carry Sponsor Flags, and be announced during the rodeo as a queen contestant. <u>ALL MONIES COLLECTED FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND</u> <u>ARE DUE BEFORE THE SET DATE.</u>
- Will be required to ride in and do a Queen's Lap then line up at the beginning of the arena as all contestants are announced, then ride out in unison completing another queen's lap.

Coronation

- Western attire, long sleeve shirt, pants, hat, boots.
- The contestant banner must be worn.
- Must be Camera-ready.

Livestock Show

- Western-style long-sleeve shirts, jeans, hats, and boots are required. Contestant Banners or Queen Banner must be worn at all times.
- The schedule of events will be provided at the Orientation
- Contestants will sign up to work on each livestock show after the interview on the day of the contest. One contestant /Queen per show. Contestants will draw for the order of assignments.
- School and work excuses will be available upon request.
- Be Camera-ready.

Buyer's Dinner & Livestock Sale & Freezer Sale

- Western-style long-sleeve shirts, jeans, hats, and boots are required. Contestant Banners or Queen banners must be worn at all times.
- Will be responsible for getting BUYERS drinks, WELCOMING them to the sale, HELPING them with their food, and cleaning up during the buyer's dinner.
- Will be responsible for assisting the auction committee in getting buyer information and spotting buyers as the auctioneer makes the sale.

<u>Miss Rodeo Cleveland Livestock Show Rules</u>

- Miss Rodeo Cleveland Livestock Show has the option to represent CLS at the following year's Miss Rodeo Texas pageant in June. If Miss Rodeo Cleveland Livestock Show chooses not to compete; the 1st runner-up may compete. A competition fee will not be provided. All costs will be the sole responsibility of the contestant. Must be in compliance with rules and regulations.
- <u>Miss Rodeo Cleveland Livestock Show and her court (1st through 3rd Runners Up) will</u> <u>be required to attend all selected CLS activities and appearances scheduled throughout</u> <u>the year by the pageant coordinator and CLS Board of Directors. She must be able to</u> <u>return for Orientation, Contest, Parade, and Rodeo.</u>
- Failure to comply with all titleholder duties and continued compliance with rules and guidelines during her reign will result in the forfeiture of her title and the return of all prizes and monies awarded.
- At any time any of the rules listed above are broken it is at the Chairman's discretion to disqualify a contestant on grounds of breaking the rules as provided for them in the contestant packet. Miss Rodeo Cleveland Livestock Show must comply with all rules and guidelines the year she won her title.
- In the event of a tie in any category, the over JUDGES Score will be used for tiebreakers and the HORSEMANSHIP Score will be used for tiebreakers if there is a tie for QUEEN.

Scholarship Contest and Awards

- The contest is on a Point System.
- If any contestant has done nothing in a category then that contestant gets zero points in that category.
- No awards will be awarded until after the completion of the entire Queen competition, excluding the Queen Crown and Queen Banner.
- All Scholarship money will be paid directly to the school in full in the first semester. Scholarship funds must be requested within 2 years of graduation from high school.
- One part of the contest is getting sponsorships. The money will be turned in by the date the Queens Coordinator seems deemed.
- Scholarship money is based on how much money is raised. If enough money is raised all contestants should receive a Scholarship. (after expenses)
- "TOTAL MONEY RAISED" IS CONSIDERED TO BE THE TOTAL AFTER EXPENSES.
- If there is a tie for Queens- The Horsemanship Score will be used as a tie-breaker.
- Monies will be raised by selling raffle tickets and fundraising items and collecting sponsorships.

Contestant Signature	
Contestant Name (printed)	
Parent Signature	
Parent Name (printed)	
Date	

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