

Miss Fête Queens Rules and Regulations

CONTRACT

The title of Miss Fête & Miss Teen Fête carries with it a responsibility to carry out your duties accordingly. The following rules have been set forth by the Miss Fête Festival Committee, please be sure you understand each one and its implications.

ELIGIBILITY

1. <u>Miss Fête Queens</u> pageant is open to single women whose age will be 18-23 on February 1, 2026. You must reside in or go to school in Rapides Parish.

<u>Miss Teen Fête</u> between 15-17 years of age at date of pageant. You must reside in or go to school in Rapides Parish.

- 2. Miss Fête Queens must have been a permanent Louisiana resident within Alexandria, LA or attend school in Alexandria, LA for at least one year prior to the pageant. If during her reign as Miss Fête Queens, should she move outside the boundaries, keeping the title of Miss Fête Queens will be at the discretion of pageant Committee. If during her reign as Miss Fête Queens should move outside the State of Louisiana, she will resign and relinquish her title immediately, returning the crowns, banners, scepter, train, mantle and all festival attire in the condition in which they were received.
- 4. The Miss Fête Queens cannot currently be representing any other fair or festival or currently hold any pageant title. An individual can serve only one year as the Miss Fête Queen.
- 5. Immediate family of the pageant committee are not eligible to compete for the Miss Fête Queens until the member has been unaffiliated with the pageant for at least 12 months.

REQUIREMENTS AND EXPECTATIONS

- 6. The Miss Fête Queens will reign from the day of crowning and will reign until the next Queens crowing the following year.
- 7. After being selected, Miss Fête Queens will be under the supervision of the Pageant Committee & pageant director, all communications and exchange of information shall be between the Queen and the pageant director. The pageant director is appointed as the contact person for both Queens during their reign and will make all arrangements for her appearances. EMAIL: info@missfetepageant.com
- 8. Exchange of information regarding the Miss Fête Queens's reign, or requests by family members of the queen should be directed through the pageant director.

- 9. Pageant Director and Miss Fête Committee have the final say concerning the Miss Fête Queens when representing the Fête/s in any way during her reign. The Miss Fête Queens should not address any other committee or festival members with inquiries concerning her reign.
- 10. All publicity regarding the Miss Fête Queens and the Fête/s will be handled through Fête committee and pageant director.
- 11. The Miss Fête Queen/s are expected to act in a lady-like manner in public during her reign with or without her crown and/or banner on. Any conduct unbecoming to a queen during your reign, which is recognized as such, will be grounds for review by the Committee.
- 12. Marriage, pregnancy, or living in common law during the reign as Miss Fête will result in immediate dismissal with the title and all privileges immediately reverting to the Miss Fête Committee.
- 13. The Miss Fête Queen/s are expected to be dressed appropriately while representing the Fête/s. Anytime the Miss Fête Queen is in her crown and/or banner she must wear a dress, skirt, nice pantsuit or snappy/casual attire that is appropriate to each event. Denim pants or shorts of any material are not acceptable wardrobe unless the itinerary calls for them and the pageant director approves the outfit.
- 14. The Miss Fête Queen is not permitted to affiliate, represent, or endorse any business as the Miss Fête Queen nor is she to solicit donations, sponsors or hold fundraisers to aid in the financial end of her reign that is not approved by the Fête Committee.
- 15. The Miss Fête Queens are NOT allowed to enter other contests except Louisiana Association of Fairs and Festivals Queen's Pageant. The Miss Fête Queen is NOT allowed to promote or represent any other festival, organization, business, or political campaign in any capacity during her reign. The Miss Fête Queens is not allowed to judge or emcee any pageants or contests without permission from the pageant director.
- 16. Starting with Miss Fête 2025 and beyond, The Miss Fête Queen is required to participate in the Louisiana Association of Fairs and Festivals (LAFF) Queen's Pageant. Miss Fête pageant will be responsible for the entry fees, registration, and accommodation for the Miss Fête Queen only. Any expenses incurred by parents, family members, and/or friends will be their sole responsibility. Teen Queen may attend as a spectator but may only wear her banner. No crown.
- 17. The Miss Fête Queen may be required to participate in the Krewe of Louisianans Mardi Gras Ball in Washington D.C. Miss Fête pageant will pay for trip expenses and any registration fees for the Miss Fête Queen only. The Miss Fête Queen is required to ship the train, mantle and scepter at her own convenience and will be reimbursed. In the event someone travels with her to this event, any expenses incurred by parents, family members, and/or friends will be their sole responsibility.
- 18. The Miss Fête Queens must attend local functions she is invited to with the approval of the pageant director. Fête/s events take priority over event invitations or personal events. The Miss Fête Queen is welcome to attend the Fête/s Committee meetings to speak about her reign to date, and then will be excused from the meeting. Any discussions held regarding her reign or committee business should be kept in confidence.
- 19. The Miss Fête Queens may not attend any function without an invitation and the approval of the pageant director. No personal e-mail address shall be utilized for receiving festival/function invitations. All emailed invitations should be sent to info@missfetepageant.com. Any other electronic invitations received must be sent to the pageant director. All mailed invitations must be sent to 200 W. Lauren Drive, Alexandria, LA 71303. This address must be used for all correspondence. The queen's personal address may be given only to friends for personal mailings.

20. Miss Fête Queen and Teen Queen are expected to be present for assigned events, appearances and promotions for and during the Alex River Fête (May) and Winter Fête (December) during their reining year. If invited, Fête events should take priority over other festival invitations or personal events. The Miss Fête Queen must attend at least 10 festival events during her reign. Teen Queen is required to attend at least 7 festival events during her reign.

The following are options for MISS, if invited: (all possible appearances and visiting royalty will be discussed with Director prior to attending)

1) Fur and Wildlife, 8) Breaux Bridge Crawfish,

2) Gueydan Duck, 9) Louisiana Pecan,

3) Louisiana Corn Festival, 10) Rayne Frog Festival,

4) International Rice, 11) Erath 4th of July Festival

5) Louisiana Orange, 12) Ponchatoula Strawberry

6) Shrimp & Petroleum, 13) Scott Boudin Festival

7) Louisiana Sugar,

As visiting royalty, The Miss Fête Queens must be present during the entire event as called for in the invitation, except in cases of illness, death, or the expressed permission of the pageant director.

- 21. The Miss Fête Queen/s are encouraged to send thank you notes to all events attended. In the event the Miss Fête Queen accepts an invitation but is unable to follow through on the commitment, a written apology is to be sent to the inviting organization as soon as possible. A copy of the letter must be provided to the pageant director.
- 22. The Miss Fête Queens will not travel alone to any event. Parents, adult relatives, other festival queens or coordinators or any Fête/s Committee member, or director are the only people allowed to travel with the Miss Fête Queens. For each event, the pageant director must know whom she will be traveling with, where she is traveling to, when she is leaving and when she will return. Intimate Partners are not to travel with the Miss Fête Queens.
- 23. The crown, banners, scepter and all festival attire are the property of the Fête/s Committee. The Miss Fête Queens duty is to always treat them with respect. Any damages caused while in the Miss Fête Queen's possession, not including normal wear, will be repaired at the queen's expense.
 - Crown should be kept in case when not in use. The "large" crown is worn at Fête/s functions, as visiting royalty, Krewe of Louisianans Mardi Gras Ball in Washington D.C., and when making public appearances on behalf of the Fêtes.
 - Banners are provided to the Miss Fête Queens to wear all year long.
- 24. An educational scholarship of \$2,000.00 will be awarded to the Miss Fête Queen and \$500.00 will be awarded to the Miss TEEN Fête Queen at the end of her reign. This scholarship is awarded as tuition for a postsecondary education pursuit and made payable to the institution of her choice or to the queen at the discretion of the Fête/s Committee.

- 25. Should the Miss Fête Queens find it impossible to fulfill her duties accordingly and resign her title, all property of the Fête/s Committee must be returned immediately in the condition that it was received. Also, at the Miss Fête pageant discretion, the resigning Queen will reimburse the Fête/s Committee any expenses they have endured during her reign.
- 26. If at any time the reigning Miss Fête Queen does not or will not abide by and/or comply with this contract set as stated by the Fête/s Committee; the Fête/s Committee reserves the right to deduct up to \$500.00 from the scholarship per infraction, up to the revocation of the title and associated privileges as the Miss Fête Queens. If a complaint is lodged against the Miss Fête Queen/s; the pageant director shall give her a warning following the first complaint from a public source. On any second or subsequent complaint, from the same source or three complaints from different public sources, the Miss Fête Queen shall appear before the Fête/s Committee which will determine any further action.
- 27. If at the Fête/s Committee discretion, they elect to replace the reigning Miss Fête Queen, the crowns, banners, scepter, train, mantle, and all property of the Fête/s Committee must be returned within 24 hours in the conditions that they were received. Also, at the Miss Fête pageant director's discretion, the removed Queen will reimburse the Fête/s Committee any expenses they have incurred during her reign.
- 28. If necessary for the Fête/s Committee to obtain an attorney to enforce these provisions, the removed queen shall be responsible for any attorney fees and court cost incurred.
- 29. Should the Miss Fête Queen relinquish her title, or the title be revoked by the Fête/s Committee, the next highest score in the Miss Fête Queens 's Pageant will become the Miss Fête Queens at the discretion of the Fête/s Committee .

I HAVE READ THE CONTRACT AS SET AND STATED BY THE MISS FÊTE PAGEANT. I UNDERSTAND EACH RULE AND ITS IMPLICATIONS. UPON ACCEPTING THE TITLE OF MISS FÊTE QUEENS, I HEREBY ACCEPT THE REPONSIBILITIES AS STATED AND WILL ABIDE BY ALL THE RULES. SHOULD I BE IN BREACH OF THE CONTRACT, I UNDERSTAND THAT IT WILL BE AT THE FÊTE/S COMMITTEE DISCRETION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT I WILL RELINQUISH MY TITLE. I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT MY FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE RULES MAY RESULT IN MY DISMISSAL AT WHICH TIME I AGREE TO RETURN SAID PRIVILEGES AND PROPERTIES IN GOOD CONDITION IMMEDIATELY (OR UPON DEMAND) TO THE FÊTE/S COMMITTEE.

MISS FÊTE QUEEN Signature	
PRINT NAME	
DATE	