



RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Contestants must be 18 years of age by registration of the National Pageant and must be able to show proof of age. You must be able to travel freely throughout the United States of America. If you do not have a Government issued ID or a Passport you will not be allowed to enter.
2. You must maintain facial hair at all official functions and events, where your title is recognized or you are representing your title, during your reign.
3. Judging for America's Bearded Queen Pageant will be on a cumulative scoring system including the Top 5 Question & Answer. Any ties will be broken by the contestant with the highest talent score.
4. Contestants will be judged in the following categories:
 - Creative Presentation
 - Personal Interview
 - Creative Fashion
 - Talent
 - Top 5 - On Stage Question & Answer (National Level Only)
5. Talent presentation will be limited to seven (7) minutes. Prop setup and knock down time will be limited to five (5) minutes total. Talent presentation will be timed at rehearsals. Presentations over seven (7) minutes will have administrative points deducted.
6. Any type of talent presentation is acceptable, except those that may cause injury to the audience or any other person. No excessive body or facial glitter, fire of any kind, water or liquids or confetti (including confetti cannons) may be used in your talent presentation. No live animals of any kind may be used in any talent presentation.
7. The use of or dispensing of illegal drugs **or underage drinking** will not be tolerated while participating in the America's Bearded Queen Pageant. Immediate disqualification **will** result for those that break this rule.
8. Any contestant, contestant's dancer(s), helper(s), etc. who is caught in the act of stealing or tampering with other contestants' possessions **will be immediately disqualified** and removed from the location of the pageant.
9. Bearded Pageantry Inc and America's Bearded Queen Pageant does not discriminate against contestants using silicone and/or hormones. America's Bearded Queen Pageant is open to all genders.
10. Bearded Pageantry Inc reserves the right to make any decision concerning any matter not covered by these rules and regulations.
11. America's Bearded Queen will be required to sign a contract with Bearded Pageantry Inc before **any** prize money is paid. Failure to sign the contract will mean forfeiture of the title. You can find a copy of this contract at the end of this handbook. Please review it so that you are familiar with it.
12. Any contestant in the top 5 not staying on stage for the entire crowning and picture taking will forfeit their placement and prize money.
13. Within 7 days of winning the pageant, America's Bearded Queen must have and maintain a social media page, email address and cell phone for the entire length of your reign.