



CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Miss Sāmoa Victoria contestants must be a young lady of good character and personality, who possesses poise and beauty. She should be capable in **every aspect** of representing the Sāmoan community of Victoria, Australia. These aspects may include the following –

- Knowledge of her Sāmoan heritage and history
- Knowledge of her Victoria Sāmoan community
- Adequate command of the Gagana Sāmoa as well as aganu'u Fa'asāmoa
- Her willingness and ability to connect and serve her Victoria Sāmoan community
- Her ability to uphold and convey values that are important to the Sāmoan people worldwide

Rules of Eligibility

Due to the nature of pageant operations, our rules of eligibility are based on the requirements of the Miss Sāmoa pageant. These are:

1. She must be of Sāmoan descent
2. She must be able to understand and communicate effectively in English and/or Sāmoan (both written and oral).
3. She must be 18 years of age by 1st September and not older than 26 years of age as of 31st December in the year of entry. (If under the age of 21, the contestant must submit application form with parents/guardian's consent.)
4. She must never have been married and must not have borne a child.
5. She must be of good character, poise and personality;
6. She must attach to her application form a maximum of 3 Character reference letters.

These letters must be written and signed by people that hold posts within Government Departments, Private Sector or a church minister. These letters shall bear the common seal of these Departments/Organisations. With the exception of a church minister, other reference letters shall not be written and signed by family members or close friends of a contestant.

7. Has not committed any offence or act that may be inconsistent with accepted standards of good public behaviour.
8. She must be willing to cooperate with directions given by the MSVI Committee during pageant season. **She must also put MSV public relations (PR) as a high priority.**
9. The application form must have all the required documents and necessary signatures by the due date with application fee (if applicable). Applications sent in late will not be accepted. MSVI holds all rights to reject an application if administration forms are not complete.

In the event that prospective contestants do not abide by the above points (1. to 9.), and after consultation with the MSVI Committee and advisory body; the MSVI committee reserves the right to disqualify any contestants entering the MSV Pageant.