

2009 MISS MONROE COUNTY QUEEN CONTEST

State and Local Rules and Responsibilities For Contestants

1. Each contestant must be at least 16 years of age and cannot have had her 21st birthday as of August 7, the first day of the 2009 Indiana State Fair Queen Pageant.
2. Contestants must be unmarried and must never have been married.
3. Each contestant must be an Indiana resident, U.S. citizen, and represent her home county. One of her parents or legal guardians must also be an Indiana resident. **The only exception:** she may reside in an adjoining county if the majority of her activities are in the county in which she enters the contest.
4. Contestants cannot have had a child or be knowingly pregnant at the time of the Monroe County/Indiana State Fair Pageant. If the 2009 Monroe County Queen becomes or is pregnant anytime during her reign, she will be required to relinquish her title.
5. Each contestant must be an active member of at least one worthwhile organization in her community, such as church groups, Girl Scouts, 4-H, etc. Eligibility is not limited to 4-H membership.
6. No professional model is eligible for the Queen Pageant. (A professional model is one who earns her livelihood by modeling.) A contestant who has had training or schooling in the modeling field, has been paid on occasion for modeling or works for a fashion board is not considered a professional model.
7. Any contestant who has competed at a State Fair Pageant cannot compete again.
8. The winner of the County contest will be crowned "Miss Monroe County Fair 2009" and must be prepared to spend the remaining period of the Monroe County Fair as a hostess for the Fair. Members of the Queen's Court must also be prepared to serve as co-hostesses during the Fair.
9. The contestants will be judged on the basis of poise, personality, ability to converse, stage presence, overall impression, and posture. The Judges' decision is final. The judging is divided into three divisions:

Division 1:

Interview, Attire: Suit, Pant Suit or Dress. Each contestant will have a five minute interview with the Judges on Saturday morning, July 25, at the Draper-Earles Auditorium. Pant suits or pant separates will be allowed. Individual contestants will answer impromptu questions asked by the Judges.

Division 2:

Professional Wear, Attire: Suit, Pant Suit or Dress. Pant suits or pant separates will be allowed. The suit or dress worn by contestants in interview may also be worn/ judged in the Professional Wear category.

Division 3:

Evening Gown, Attire: Long Evening Gown. When choosing a formal gown, at least one portion of the hemline must be floor length (touching the floor or the contestant's foot). Other portions of the dress may be knee length, depending on the design. A gown with the skirt split above the knee (more than 2" above the knee cap), a low-cut bodice and/or cut/design inappropriate for the county pageant may be discounted by the judges. *Failure to comply with the above requirement could result in the loss of judging points.

Swimsuit: A one-piece suit (no whites). A wrap or beach towel may be included. This is for a trophy only and doesn't apply to the Queen selection.

A \$25.00 entry/sponsor fee and a \$10.00 T-shirt charge is required with your application. For additional information, phone Queen Pageant Director: Georgia Davis, 825-2122, 322-7102; Committee Members: Ginny Boshears, 336-1609; April Grubb, Susan McGlocklin, Peggy Welch, and the 2008 Fair Queen, Julie Johnston.