



2025 Competition Application

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for expressing interest in participating in the Miss Rodeo Canada 2025 Competition. We are excited about hosting the Competition in our host city – Edmonton, Alberta – and will do our best to make this a very special and unforgettable experience for all MRC applicants.

We encourage all applicants to read through the MRC Application Package **thoroughly**, fill out each section in full, and familiarize yourself with the information within the package. The list below serves as a checklist for the documentation required with your application. Entry deadline is **Friday, July 26th, 2024**.

- ✓ Entry Fee
- ✓ Resume
- ✓ Photocopy Of Driver's License
- ✓ Driver's Abstract
- ✓ Criminal Record Check
- ✓ Digital Photographs on CD or USB
- ✓ Photographer's release
- ✓ Reference Letters
- ✓ Personal Information Form
- ✓ Sponsoring Rodeo Information and Signed Declaration of Authorization
- ✓ Proof of Membership to Alberta Equestrian Federation
- ✓ Background Information
- ✓ Signed statutory declaration
- ✓ Signed waiver of liability form
- ✓ Signed MRC acknowledgement and release

Your completed package must be postmarked by Friday, July 26th, 2024. Packages postmarked after this date will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

Mailing and courier delivery address:

Miss Rodeo Canada
c/o Tracy Keith
7265 – 11th Street SE
Calgary, Alberta
T2H 2S1

The MRC Board of Directors is looking forward to welcoming you to the Miss Rodeo Canada 2025 Competition. May the completion of your application be rewarded with the opportunity to participate in this year's Miss Rodeo Canada pageant. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Warmest Regards,
Tracy Keith, President
MISS RODEO CANADA
(403) 617-6886
missrodeocanada@gmail.com

Welcome to the MISS RODEO CANADA 2025 Competition

Each participant has the opportunity to garner one of the richest experiences of her life and at the same time create a solid foundation for her future endeavors. Lifelong friendships are made, and many doors are opened to all participants.

During the week of the competition, pageant participants are judged on, but not restricted to the following categories:

Personal Interview: Judges will interview each contestant privately. Questions will test for knowledge of professional rodeo, current affairs, and conversational ability, all with an emphasis on grammar and enunciation.

Horsemanship: Contestants will be judged on their ability to control their horse, balance, position of hands, feet and seat. Categories will include mounting and dismounting, rail work, pattern, impromptu questions based on knowledge of tack, horse science, and terminology, presentation ride (flag and wave lap) during horsemanship, and presentation ride during a CFR performance. Each contestant will draw 3 different horses during horsemanship and will be assigned a horse during the presentation ride at CFR. Judges and horse owners will answer any questions PRIOR to the start of horsemanship. **You will be provided with a blouse and jeans; you may add your own accessories.*

Public Speaking:

1. A 3-to-4-minute memorized speech. Longer than 4 minutes or less than 3 will result in point reductions at the discretion of the judges.
2. Impromptu Questions.
3. Extemporaneous Speech (contestants will be given a topic and will have 5 minutes to prepare a 1-minute speech on that topic)

Written Exam: Contestants will answer questions regarding rodeo knowledge (rules, history, past and reigning champions both in Canada and the US), equine knowledge (common diseases, ailments, and care) and knowledge of the Miss Rodeo Canada organization (its sponsors and history).

Modeling: Posture, confidence, poise, ability to project your personality, the use of the stage, engagement of the audience and ability to show off sponsor clothing as well as the contestant's outfit of choice are all taken into account.

Personality: Judges will look for intelligence, maturity, common sense, a sense of humor, confidence, sincerity, sportsmanship, and integrity.

Appearance: Includes neatness and cleanliness of self and apparel. Posture, and the ability to carry herself with confidence, poise, and grace. Contestant should choose outfits that reflect fashionable and tasteful western dress that also enhances her own appearance, with an emphasis on outfits that both flatter and fit.

Miss Rodeo Canada Applicant Provisions

Entry Closing	Completed applications must be postmarked by Friday, July 26th, 2024 .
Eligibility:	In order to be eligible to participate in the competition, the applicant must: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Be a female who is a minimum of 18 years of age as of December 31st of her application submission year and not over the age of 26 as of December 31st of her application submission year.2. Never have been married or be living common-law at present time or during her reign, been pregnant, had a child or plead guilty to or found guilty of a criminal offence.3. Be a Queen or Princess of a Canadian Professional Rodeo within the last two years.4. Be a Canadian Citizen.5. Have a valid driver's license, which has never been suspended.6. Have a current passport.7. Never have held a Miss Rodeo Canada title.
Note:	The Miss Rodeo Canada Board reserves the right to refuse an application.
Entry Fee:	A non-refundable entry fee of \$500.00 payable to Miss Rodeo Canada must be included in the application package.
Resume:	A point-form resume no longer than one page is required. The document is to be typed on plain white paper, organized chronologically, functionally or a combination thereof, and in the applicant's personal style.
Driver's License/Abstract:	Photocopy of the contestant's valid driver's license as well as a current driver's abstract and claims experience letter confirming both the policy and loss history. The MRC organization is responsible for insurance covering a clean driving record. <i>* Additional costs of alternative or additional insurance will be the responsibility of the applicant. Defensive Driver's course will be required if the applicant has demerits. Please note: It is not guaranteed that a sponsored vehicle will be provided.</i>
Criminal Record Check:	A criminal record check issued no more than 60 days prior to the date of submission.
Photographs:	Photographs are required for marketing including media promotions, autograph sheets, and programs. Please include two digital photos either on a photo CD or USB drive: one, vertical head and shoulders shot and one, vertical full body shot. Both photos should be sized to 8x10 inches, 300dpi, and in a JPEG format. Crown and white banner must be worn for both photographs. <i>*It is not necessary for your entire title to be visible on your head and shoulders shot.</i>
Photo Release:	A photographer's release form must accompany photographs, or they cannot be used.

Personal Information

Name:

Date of Birth:

Address:

Town/City:

Province:

Postal Code:

Cell Phone:

Email Address:

Emergency Contact Information

Name of Emergency Contact:

Cell Phone:

Email Address:

Medical Information

1. Known Allergies: (food, drugs, insects or other):

Explanation of reaction and indicate treatment/medicine used:

Note – please bring all medications with you and advise Competition Director where medicines are stored.

2. Describe any past operations, serious injuries, chronic illnesses, or afflictions that may affect your participation in the Miss Rodeo Canada Pageant.

Sponsoring Rodeo Information and Declaration of Authorization

Name of Sponsoring Rodeo:

Official Queen/Princess Title Name:

Authorizing Officer's or Director's Name:

Contact number(s):

Director's Email Address:

Date of applicant's coronation:

By affixing my signature below, I, the authorizing officer or director, declare the following:

1. That according to the MRC competition rules and regulations, the applicant is an eligible participant and.
2. Our rodeo acknowledges their support for this applicant's candidacy to become Miss Rodeo Canada 2025.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Background Information

Please type and print the following information and include it in the application package.

- Biographies:** Please attach two typed biographies for marketing purposes. One biography must be 150 words or less, the other 300 words or less.
- Educational History:** Include a point form explanation in 150 words or less.
- Career Goals:** Include an explanation of your goals in 150 words or less.
- Equine Accomplishments:** Include a point form list in 150 words or less of your rodeo, horse show, and other equine activities which you participate in or have received recognition/awards for.
- Volunteering:** Include an explanation of the volunteer work you have performed and what you learned from it in 150 words or less.
- Financial Component:** MRC is a volunteer (unpaid), full-time commitment for one full year. While the Miss Rodeo Canada organization covers expenses incurred when Miss Rodeo Canada is on duty, please outline your current financial situation and explain how you plan to manage your personal finances during the year of your anticipated reign in 150 words or less.
- Current Queen Roll:** How has representing your rodeo as their queen or princess changed your life? How will you use your past experience to represent rodeo and Canada's western heritage should you be chosen as Miss Rodeo Canada 2025? Explain in 200 words or less.
- The State Of Rodeo:** What do you feel is the biggest challenge facing the sport of rodeo in Canada and what, in your opinion, should Miss Rodeo Canada's role be in overcoming these challenges? Explain in 200 words or less.
- Reference Letters:** Please enclose two reference letters; authors could be a friend, co-worker, employer, teacher, etc. but not a family member. **Reference letters must be signed, but do not need to be originals. Scanned and printed copies of the original are acceptable.*

Statutory Declaration

Applicants Name (print):

Applicants Signature:

Dated in the City of _____ this _____ day of 2024.

Statutory Declaration

I, _____ solemnly declare that:

a) I have read and understand the questions, information and instructions in this form and all attachments and the answers I have given to the questions in this form and in any attachments are true and correct; and

b) I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing it is of the same legal force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act; and

DECLARED before me at the city of _____ in the province of _____ this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Signature of Applicant

**Signature of Notary Public or
Commissioner for Oaths in and for the
Province of Alberta
(If declared in Alberta)**

Appointment Expiration Date: _____

**This form must be declared before a person who is a notary public in and for the jurisdiction in which it is declared. It may be declared before a Commissioner for Oaths for Alberta if declared in Alberta.*

Waiver of Liability

In consideration of my application being accepted, I hereby (for myself and my executors, administrators and assigns) agree to abide by all rules and regulations pertaining to the Miss Rodeo Canada Competition and I assume no responsibility of liability for any loss, accident or injury, whether as to property or person, arising in any way out of the operation or activities of the committee or management in any event or part of any performance or while in, on or about the premises of the Miss Rodeo Canada Competition in Edmonton, Alberta. As for the consideration aforesaid I further agree to indemnify Miss Rodeo Canada (MRC) including but not limited to its Board, agents, servants and employees from and against loss or damage sustained by it by reason of any claims made by and of my executors, administrators, and assigns. Further, I hereby release the right, title and claim to any photographs that may be taken by MRC for its use. I certify that I know the rules of the competition and agree to abide by those rules. I have read the foregoing Waiver of Liability carefully and I fully understand the meaning and effect of the same.

Date: _____

Province of _____, Canada

Name of Applicant (Print): _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Name of Witness (Print): _____

Witness Signature: _____

Miss Rodeo Canada Acknowledgement and Release

This is an assumption of risk and release of liability. By becoming Miss Rodeo Canada, you (the applicant) are agreeing to assume certain risks and to release “Miss Rodeo Canada,” the Canadian Professional Rodeo Association, Rogers Place, the City of Edmonton and other parties from liability.

Please Read This Provision Carefully

Applicant acknowledges and agrees that if she is selected as Miss Rodeo Canada, she will be bound by the Rules and Regulations governing the provisions of the Miss Rodeo Canada Agreement and by the following assumptions of risk and release of liability.

Applicant acknowledges that rodeos generally are dangerous activities by their inherent nature and that participants in a rodeo in areas to which access to the general public is restricted (including, without limitation, the rodeo arena, chutes, pens and other areas reserved and intended for use or access by the rodeo participants or otherwise restricted to the general public) exposes the participant to substantial and serious hazards and risk of property damage, personal injury and/or death. Applicant acknowledges that her participation in C.P.R.A. sanctioned rodeos and in other activities as Miss Rodeo Canada, such as (but not limited to) parades and public appearances, (collectively the “Activities”) likewise involved and may expose Applicant to property damage, personal injury and/or death. Applicant, in consideration of being permitted to participate in the activities in any capacity, does by such participation agree to assume such hazards and risk and does hereby discharge, waive, and release “Miss Rodeo Canada”, the C.P.R.A., C.P.R.A. properties, Rogers Place, the City of Edmonton and any other organization conducting, sponsoring or in any manner involving itself with the subject rodeo (and such persons’ or entities’ affiliated, related or subsidiary companies and their respective officers, directors, employees, and agents) from all claims, demands, and liabilities for any and all property damage, personal injury and/or death occasioned the Applicant’s participation in or involvement with the risks and hazards aforesaid. The Applicant shall not now or any time in the future, directly or indirectly, commence or prosecute any action, suit or other proceeding against the parties so released arising out of, or related to, the claims, demands, liabilities and other responsibilities so discharged, waived and released by such Applicant. The undertakings and covenants of the foregoing provisions shall be binding upon each Applicant, her heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns.

The Applicant acknowledges that being selected as Miss Rodeo Canada Queen constitutes valuable and binding consideration in exchange for which, among other things, the Applicant has entered into this Acknowledgement and Release.

(Signature of Applicant)

(Signature of Witness)

(Name of Applicant – Print)

(Name of Witness – Print)

Date

Date

Primary Competition Rules

A Miss Rodeo Canada Contract will be forwarded to you upon competition acceptance.

1. Primary Competition Rules

- 1.1 MRC Competition participants are under the supervision and direction of chaperones from the time the contestants arrive until the time the pageant ends. Chaperones and/or individuals with authorization from the MRC Pageant will escort the contestants to and from all functions for the duration of the competition.
- 1.2 MRC Competition participants will attend all Miss Rodeo Canada events during the competition.
- 1.3 MRC Competition participants will decline all personal invitations during the competition.
- 1.4 MRC Competition participants will abide by all official pageant directives.
- 1.5 Bullying of any kind within the competition will not be tolerated. This extends to families and friends of participants. If any participant, friend, or family member of the participant makes defamatory, unkind, or vulgar comments to, or about another participant, director, volunteer or judge, she may be disqualified with no refund at the discretion of the MRC Board of Directors, judges and/or official chaperones.

2. Personal Conduct

- 2.1 MRC Competition participants will not consume any alcohol, use tobacco products, cannabis products, or partake in the use of any illegal drugs during the competition.
- 2.2 MRC Competition participants are in a demanding position, but their conduct must never be compromised for they are the Canadian ambassadors for the sport of professional rodeo.
- 2.3 MRC Competition participants must always maintain a professional demeanor by being respectful to all those with whom they come into contact.
- 2.4 Chaperones, family and friends are welcome to attend any of the public events.
- 2.5 Contestants are not allowed in any other rooms in the hotel at any time, other than that of the Miss Rodeo Canada competition chaperone(s), or fellow contestants. Parents, family and friends are permitted to assist Miss Rodeo Canada contestants with their belongings during check-in **only**. Any further visits to the contestant's room by a parent, friend or family member are prohibited. Deliveries for Miss Rodeo Canada contestants may be left at the front desk of the hotel with attention to the Competition Chaperone.

3. Regalia Requirements

- 3.1 Participants are required to wear a **white** sash/banner of their sponsoring rodeo with rodeo name in **black** lettering.
- 3.2 Cowboy hat, buckle, crown and banner must be worn at all times while in public, with the exception of the fashion show.

Criminal Offence Definitions

Definitions: For the purpose of the eligibility rules, the following definitions of a criminal offence apply: “guilty” in relation to a plea or a finding, includes an absolute or conditional discharge, “offence” means:

- a) A summary conviction or indictable offence under the Criminal Code (Canada);
- b) A misdemeanor or felony under the criminal legislation of the United States of America or of any state or territory of the United States of America.
- c) An offence under the criminal legislation of any other jurisdiction.
- d) a quasi-criminal offence, for example under the Income Tax Act (Canada) or the tax legislation of any jurisdiction; the immigration legislation of any jurisdiction; or the securities legislation of any jurisdiction.

And excludes

- e) An offence for which a pardon has been granted and has not been revoked under the Criminal Record Act (Canada) or the comparable legislation or any other jurisdiction, and;
- f) An offence which is an offence only under the motor vehicles legislation of any jurisdiction.

Note: With the exception of offences under *Youth Justice Act* (RS 2000 ch. Y-1) or its predecessor, the granting of a Pardon with respect to an offence is not automatic but must be formally applied for and granted to the offender pursuant to the *Criminal Records Act* (Canada). Therefore, it is not considered appropriate to omit reference to an offence under any statute other than the *Youth Justice Act* (Canada) or its predecessor on the basis of an assumption that a Pardon of the offence is automatic after a given period of time.