

KyQHA Queen Contest Rules and Regulation

Eligibility Requirements:

The **QUEEN CANDIDATE** must be 18-25 years of age (as of January 1 of the current year), and not married, divorced, or a parent. Queen Candidates must be a current member of AQHA and the KyQHA. (May join before contest)

She must live in Kentucky. She must participate in the three categories of the contest: Horsemanship, Interview, and AQHA rule book test.

The KyQHA Queen Contest Application deadline is August 31, 2017.

The required duties of the KyQHA Queen:

1. Attend regional Equine events and the KyQHA year-end Banquet to participate in events and distribute awards;
2. Make appearances at the KY 4-H Championship Show and other appropriate events;
3. Compete in the All-American Quarter Horse Congress Queen Contest and attend events related to the Queen Contest;
4. Attend the KyQHA Queen Contest the following year to crown the new KyQHA Queen.

AREAS OF COMPETITION. Candidates will be judged as follows:

A. 40% Oral Interview. During the interview, candidates will be judged on their poise (0-15points), communication skills (0-15 points), and knowledge of and experience with American Quarter Horses (0-10 points), with a total possible score of 40 points. Each candidate will receive a final numerical score that represents an average of all of the judge's scores on the interview.

B. 40% Written Test. The written test counts for 40% of each candidate's total score. It is a timed test, consisting of True-false and Fill in the Blank questions scored on the basis of 0-40 points. All Questions are taken from the current year AQHA Official Handbook of Rules and Regulations.

C. 20% Horsemanship. All queen candidates will compete in a special "Queen's Horsemanship Class" in which they are scored on the basis of 0-20 points. It will consist of performing a pattern at a walk, jog, and lope, with the balance of the class at the judge's discretion to prove superior horsemanship. The pattern to be ridden will be posted at least one hour before the class. Candidates do not have to own the horse they ride in the horsemanship class, but their mount must be a registered American Quarter Horse. The Queen's Horsemanship will be a tie - breaking event, should there be two or more candidates with the same score following the interview and rule-book portions of the contest.

D. Cumulative Score. There is a total possible score of 40 on the interview portion of the contest, a total possible score of 40 on the rule book exam, and a total possible score of 20 for the horsemanship class, with a contest total of 100 possible points. The candidate with the most points at the conclusion of all three portions of the contest will be declared the winner. The candidates with the next highest number of points will be declared First Runner Up or Queen Alternate. The judge's decisions are final.

The KyQHA Queen must submit the following to the Ohio Quarter Horse Association before September 1st.

1. All-American Quarter Horse Queen Contest Application
2. Release form
3. Two 8"x 10" color photos plus 6 color wallet sized photos
4. Any other information required by the Congress Queen Director

The KyQHA Queen's prizes include:

1. The Queen's Crown and Sash

Kentucky Quarter Horse Association
Queen Contest Application

KyQHA Queen Candidate Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Birthday:

Age: _____

Phone # (include area code):

Candidate Email:

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Member of KyQHA since:

Member of AQHA since:

Parent/Guardian Name:

High School Attended:

Graduated what year?

College Attended:

Major:

Graduating Class:

GPA:

Activities, Honors and/or Offices held:

Current Employer:

Part Time or Full Time?

Position:

Interests, Hobbies and or Sports:

Community Service and commitment to KyQHA:

What could you bring to the state of Kentucky as a representative?

If crowned KyQHA Queen do you intend to run for Congress Queen? Yes No

Please submit with this application a one paragraph biography about yourself and your family.

By submitting this application, essay and a 3" X 5" photograph, you agree to the rules set forth by the KyQHA Queen's Committee. Your signature below holds you responsible for all duties set forth by the title of Kentucky Quarter Horse Association Queen upon coronation.

Candidate Signature

Date

Please submit this completed application no later than August 31, 2017, to:

Virginia Gay, Contest Chair
100 Deerhaven Drive
Versailles, KY 40383
(859) 533-5605
