



2023 VQHA Queen Competition

VQHA welcomes any and all participants in the 2023 Queen's contest. All competitors must meet the following requirements.

1. Be VQHA and VAQHA (or VQHYA) members in good standing.
2. Plan on attending and competing at the All American Quarter Horse Congress Queen's competition in 2023.
3. Age requirements:
 - a. Ages 18-25 years of age as of January 1st, 2023
4. All contestants should plan on attending all meetings and competitions as scheduled.
5. All deadlines for said contestants will be **strictly enforced**.
6. All contestants must abide by the VQHA Queen rules (see the VQHA website for the PDF version).
7. Queen contestants must also meet the following requirements (per Congress rules.)
 - a. Never been married, divorced or given birth.
 - b. Queen contestants must be assigned female at birth and identify as being female.
 - c. An applicant will be able to represent only one adult or junior association and cannot run for more than three cumulative years.
 - d. All applicants are subject to a criminal background and reference check.
 - e. Applicants are not to consume alcoholic beverages, smoke and / or use any form of tobacco while on official business associated with the Congress Queen or VQHA contest. Additionally, no profanity or illegal drug usage will be tolerated.
 - f. Applicants must agree that they have never posed or participated in any form of pornography or used their body to advertise in any negative or immoral way. If this is to be found true, applicants will be forced to relinquish their title.
 - g. All applicants must uphold their title with respect, honor, grace, integrity, and dignity. Applicants will not involve themselves in any activities that bring dishonor to the title, contest, state association, queen committee or fellow applicants. If asked to remove or edit media included on one's social media presence in conflict with the standards set forth by the Congress and VQHA Queen Committee, applicants will comply and do so.
8. As VQHA Queen, you will have the option of attending the 2023 All American Quarter Horse Congress. Note: This expense will be your responsibility, however, VQHA will help with fundraising ideas.
 - a. All fundraising conducted for the VQHA Queen must follow VQHA sponsorship rules and regulations.

9. As the official representative of VQHA, VAQHA (or VQHYA), The VQHA Queen is required to display her crown and sash at all required events; to be helpful to guests while attending public functions and further the cause of the Quarter Horse and VQHA in our audience's esteem.
 - a. Crown will be at contestant's own expense (Queen's may design their own crown as they wish, with final approval by VQHA Queen chair prior to ordering)
 - b. VQHA will provide a sash that must be returned at end of reign (All Queen contestants who participate in the Congress Queen competition will receive a sash that will be theirs to keep)
10. All applicants must send in their applications and signed consent form by October 15th, 2022. (Postmarked).
 - a. Parents must sign acknowledgement form if candidate is under the age of 18 in addition to the Queen candidate.

Queen Competition Tentative Schedule (Please Read Carefully!!!)

Most competitions will happen at the annual awards banquet in January
with some items via Zoom

1. Queen contestants will be required to participate in the following areas of competition:
 - a. One on one interview (will be scheduled in early December via Teams / Zoom)
 - b. Queen resume (to be submitted by November 1st, 2022)
 - c. Panel interview (TBD - 2023 at the VQHA Awards Banquet)
 - d. Written exam on 2022 AQHA Rule book (TBD)
 - e. Horsemanship test (TBD – tentatively scheduled for Jack-O-Lantern QH Show in November 2022)
2. Official crowning of VQHA Queen will be at the VQHA Awards Banquet in 2023

Tentative schedule for the VQHA Queen (please read carefully)

Events will be in person at shows or other scheduled events

1. 2023 March – The VQHA Annual Show – Queen will present the Virginia Maiden Awards and will be required to help out at this show with other class award presentations.
2. 2023 May – Potential VQHA show in Doswell (*TBD*)
3. 2023 June – Region 5 Championship show – Queen will present awards at this show in participation with other Region 5 Queens. (*Tentative*)
4. 2023 November – Jack-O-Lantern VQHA Show – Queen will present awards and help out at this show with class presentations.

Other events could include: Queen Horsemanship classes throughout the year at other organization's scheduled shows (will try to get a schedule out as soon as possible to help with planning) and any other VQHA events that are planned through out the year (trail rides, Virginia 4-H State Horse show etc..)



Must be received by October 15th, 2022

All contestants must read and sign this form in order to be considered a contestant for the 2023 VQHA Queen contest.

Please read this over carefully.

1. All contestants must abide by the rules set forth by VQHA and VAQHA (or VQHYA). No exceptions will be made!
2. In order to fulfill your duties as Queen, you must attend and represent VQHA at the annual events listed below. If it is determined you have not fulfilled your duties, the crown will pass to the 1st runner up, and you will reimburse the club its expenses.
 - a. VQHA Awards Banquet (TBD, 2023)
 - b. VQHA Spring Breakout Show (March 2023)
 - c. Virginia Maiden Futurity (March 2023)
 - d. VQHA Show, Doswell (May 2023) – *Tentative*
 - e. Region 5 Championship show (June 2023) – *Tentative*
 - f. Jack O 'Lantern QH Show (2023)
3. All contestants and crowned Royalty will dress and conduct themselves in the proper manner. All aspects will be taken into consideration (poise, knowledge, appearance, personality, conduct and cooperation) for this contest.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact Michelle Might at anytime 413-626-2607 or wolfview35@aol.com

Please mail completed forms to:
Michelle Might
36218 Bernadette Court
Round Hill, VA 20141
By October 15th, 2022

I, (Contestant and Parents) hereby agree to all above mentioned terms.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone # _____ Email: _____

Dob: _____ Queen

Parents Signature: _____

Contestants Signature: _____