



DIXIE NATIONAL PAGEANT RULES

Miss Dixie National

Age group (17-20) \$75.00 Entry Fee

- Must be 17 years of age and not older than 20 years of age by January 1, 2022.
- No former Miss Dixie Nationals (17-20) will be allowed to compete.
- Contestants must be single, never been married, and/or had a child, and must be enrolled in high school or college. Contestants must currently identify as female, use the gender pronouns she/her, and been born a female.
- Contestants must provide their own horse for the pageant and all rodeo activities. Horses must have current negative coggins and health papers.
- Contestants will be required to sell a minimum of \$25 in pageant program ads. We encourage each contestant to sell ads of varying sizes in support of achieving the "MOST ADS SOLD" award.

- Judged Events:
 - Horsemanship (Appearance, Personality, Knowledge, and Horsemanship Skills)
 - Interview
(Appearance, Personality, Current Event/Rodeo/Equine Knowledge)
 - Modeling and Impromptu
(Introduction, Appearance, Personality, and Knowledge)
 - Contestants should be prepared to provide a short introduction on-stage during the Style Show.
 - Photogenics
 - In photogenic photos, contestants should be wearing a hat and western attire.
- **Required Dress Code for the Pageant:**

Horsemanship Button down western style plain WHITE shirt, DEMIN Wrangler jean product, boots, belt, and cowboy hat. NO embellishments should be on or added to contestant's shirt, jeans, boots, or belt. Hat, boot, and belt color is up to the contestant.	Interview Same outfit as Horsemanship.
Style Show and Coronation Grand Entry attire (meaning what a titleholder would wear when introduced at the Dixie National in the arena on horseback). Must be a flashy, grand entry style top, WRANGLER jean product, boots, belt, and cowboy hat. Vests and embellishments are permitted. <i>NO DRESSES, SKIRTS, and/or JACKETS.</i>	

- Horsemanship Required Tack: Western tack and split reins (NO

BARREL RACING REINS); Optional equipment – Tie down, bell boots, splint boots, and spurs.

- The Miss Dixie National Pageant will have three judges. The judges' decision is final. In case of a tie, the horsemanship score will break the tie. If a tiebreaker is still needed, the head judge's score will be used.
- At the discretion of the committee, contestants may be disqualified for the following infractions:
 - Being late to an event
 - Poor sportsmanship
 - Using foul language
 - Animal cruelty
 - Being coached during horsemanship
 - Someone warming up the horse other than the contestant.
 - Any attempt to threaten, bribe, influence, harass, or coerce a judge, another contestant, or pageant committee member by a contestant or a contestant's family member before, during, or after the event.

The MRMF reserves the right to deny any applications from potential contestants that have committed any of these infractions during (or in the case of the last bullet point also after) a previous MRMF produced pageant.

- At the discretion of the pageant judges, contestants may have their score reduced for a judged portion of the pageant for the following infractions:
 - Breaking the above dress code
 - Breaking the above horsemanship tack requirements

Duties of Miss Dixie National

- Must attend all Dixie National Rodeo events set forth by the

Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation. Miss Dixie National must plan to attend EVERY performance of the Dixie National Rodeo, Parade, School/Sponsor/Scheduled Visits, and any other event set forth by the MRMF board.

- Miss Dixie National must be available for television and radio interviews one week prior to opening night and during the rodeo.
- Miss Dixie National MUST provide her own horse for each event a horse is needed.
- Miss Dixie National must provide her own autograph sheets and be willing to sign autographs prior to, during, and after each rodeo performance.
- Miss Dixie National is a spokeswoman for the sport of professional rodeo in Mississippi and during the Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo.
- Miss Dixie National must be in attendance at the following year's pageant, in order to crown her successor.
- If Miss Dixie National chooses to order chaps, at her own expense, she must order them through Arrowhead Now in Oklahoma.

Junior Miss Dixie National

Age group (13-16) \$75.00 Entry Fee

- Must be 13 years of age and not older than 16 years of age by January 1, 2022.
- No former Junior Miss Dixie Nationals (13-16) will be allowed to compete.
- Contestants must be single, never been married, and/or had a child, and must be enrolled in high school or a homeschool program. Contestants must currently identify as female, use the gender pronouns she/her, and been born a female.
- Contestants must provide their own horse for the pageant and all rodeo activities. Horses must have current negative coggins and health papers.
- Contestants will be required to sell a minimum of \$25 in pageant program ads. We encourage each contestant to sell ads of varying sizes in support of achieving the “MOST ADS SOLD” award.
- Judged Events:
 - Horsemanship (Appearance, Personality, Knowledge, and Horsemanship Skills)
 - Interview
(Appearance, Personality, and Rodeo/Equine/Current Event Knowledge)
 - Modeling and Impromptu Question
(Introduction, Appearance, Personality, On-Stage Questioning)
 - Contestants should be prepared to provide a

short introduction on-stage during the Style Show.

- Photogenics
 - In photogenic photos, contestants should be wearing a hat and western attire.
- **Required Dress Code for the Pageant:**

Horsemanship Button down western style plain WHITE shirt, DEMIN Wrangler jean product, boots, belt, and cowboy hat. NO embellishments should be on or added to contestant's shirt, jeans, boots or belt. Hat, boot, and belt color is up to the contestant.	Interview Same outfit as Horsemanship.
Style Show and Coronation Grand Entry attire (meaning what a titleholder would wear when introduced at the Dixie National in the arena on horseback). Must be a flashy, grand entry style top, WRANGLER jean product, boots, belt, and cowboy hat. Vests and embellishments are permitted. <i>NO DRESSES, SKIRTS, and/or JACKETS.</i>	

- Horsemanship Required Tack: Western tack and split reins (NO BARREL RACING REINS); Optional equipment – Tie down, bell boots, splint boots, and spurs.
- The Jr. Miss Dixie National Pageant will have three judges. The judges' decision is final. In case of a tie, the horsemanship score will break the tie. If a tiebreaker is still needed, the head judge's score will be used.
- At the discretion of the committee, contestants may be disqualified for the following infractions:

- Being late to an event
- Poor sportsmanship
- Using foul language
- Animal cruelty
- Being coached during horsemanship
- Someone warming up the horse other than the contestant.
- Any attempt to threaten, bribe, influence, harass, or coerce a judge, another contestant, or pageant committee member by a contestant or a contestant's family member before, during, or after the event.

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 - Breaking the above dress code
 - Breaking the above horsemanship tack requirements

Duties of Junior Miss Dixie National

- Must attend all Dixie National Rodeo events set forth by the Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation. Jr. Miss Dixie National must plan to attend EVERY performance of the Dixie National Rodeo, Parade, School/Sponsor/Scheduled Visits, and any other event set forth by the MRMF board.
- Jr. Miss Dixie National must be available for television and radio interviews one week prior to opening night and during the rodeo.
- Jr. Miss Dixie National MUST provide her own horse for each event a horse is needed.
- Jr. Miss Dixie National must provide her own autograph sheets

and be willing to sign autographs prior to, during, and after each rodeo performance.

- Jr. Miss Dixie National is a spokeswoman for the sport of professional rodeo in Mississippi and during the Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo.
- Jr. Miss Dixie National must be in attendance at the following year's pageant, in order to crown her successor.
- If Jr. Miss Dixie National chooses to order chaps, at her own expense, she must order them through Arrowhead Now in Oklahoma.

The diagram illustrates a closed-loop control system. It features two circular nodes, one above the other. The top node has a clockwise flow indicated by four arrows. The bottom node has a clockwise flow indicated by six arrows. A vertical line on the right side, labeled 'Start' at the bottom, represents the input signal. This line enters the bottom node from the right. A feedback path branches off from the bottom node, travels left, then up, then left again, and finally enters the top node from the top. A vertical line on the left side, labeled 'Finish' at the bottom, represents the output signal. This line exits the top node from the left, travels down, and then right to enter the bottom node from the left. The entire system is enclosed in a rectangular frame.

Finish

Start

Miss Dixie National and Jr. Miss Dixie National Horsemanship Pattern

Horsemanship Pattern ~ Round ONE (Diagram on previous page):

1. Do extended jog (trot) alongside of arena, then to center
2. Begin lope at center of arena and lope left circle on left lead
3. Change leads at center of arena and lope right circle on right lead
4. Change leads and continue loping around end of arena
5. Once on the straight, increase speed and continue around end of arena
6. Stop and back
7. The Miss Rodeo Mississippi Foundation reserves the right to make alterations and/or additions to this pattern.

Per the Miss Rodeo America Rulebook, horsemanship is judged on the contestant's overall horsemanship ability. This includes, "control of mount; the way any situation which may occur is handled; balance; positions of hands, feet, and seat; mounting and dismounting" as well as a contestant's execution of the designated horsemanship pattern.

Horsemanship Pattern ~ Round TWO:

Each contestant will be given the opportunity to make a queen's run. The queen's run begins as the contestant enters the arena. Contestants will be judged on their speed, control, form, personality, wave, and overall horsemanship ability.

Once complete, the contest must stop at the gate, turn and ride over to the judges, dismount, and participate in a short horsemanship interview. Questions are at the judges' discretion.

Miss Dixie National contestants will remount and walk out of the arena after being dismissed by the judges.

Jr. Miss Dixie National contestants will lead their horse out of the arena on foot after being dismissed by the judges.

Miss Dixie National Princess

Age group (9-12) \$60.00 Entry Fee

- Must be 9 years old and no older than 12 years of age by January 1, 2022. Contestants must currently identify as female, use the gender pronouns she/her, and been born a female.
- There is **NO** horsemanship in the Princess division.
- This winner of this division will be allowed to sign autographs at all Dixie National Rodeo performances.
- Contestants will be required to sell a minimum of \$25 in pageant program ads. We encourage each contestant to sell ads of varying sizes in support of achieving the “MOST ADS SOLD” award.
- Judged Events:
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 - Modeling and Impromptu Question
(Introduction, Appearance, Personality, and Knowledge)
 - Contestants should be prepared to provide a short introduction on-stage during the Style Show.
 - Photogenics
 - In photogenic photos, contestants should be wearing a hat and western attire.

Required Dress Code for the Pageant:

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 - Poor sportsmanship
 - Using foul language
 - Animal cruelty
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following infractions:

- Breaking the above dress code

Duties of Miss Dixie National Princess

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- Miss Dixie National Princess must be available for television and radio interviews one week prior to opening night and during the rodeo.
- Miss Dixie National Princess must provide her own autograph sheets and be willing to sign autographs prior to, during, and after each rodeo performance.

Miss Dixie National Sweetheart

Age group (4-8) \$50.00 Entry Fee

- Must be 4 years old and no older than 8 years of age by January 1, 2022. Contestants must currently identify as female, use the gender pronouns she/her, and been born a female.
- This is a title only event. **ALL contestants** will be crowned Miss Dixie National Sweetheart.
- This title affords **no** Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo rights. Winners will not be allowed to participate in any rodeo events (unless arranged or approved by the MRMF Board).
- Contestants will be required to sell a minimum of \$25 in pageant program ads. We encourage each contestant to sell ads of varying sizes in support of achieving the “MOST ADS SOLD” award.
- Through a group interview and on-stage time at the style show (modeling and impromptu question) the judges are observing contestants’:
Appearance
Personality
- Sweetheart Contestants will not be asked to do a solo introduction (the current Miss Rodeo Mississippi or pageant emcee will introduce them during Introductions). They will, however, be asked one of the following impromptu questions during the Style Show:
 - What is your horse’s name? Tell us about him/her.
 - Why do you like the sport of rodeo?
 - What is your favorite thing about the Dixie National

Livestock Show and Rodeo?
Required Dress Code for the Pageant:

Horsemanship Contestants do not compete in horsemanship.	Group Interview Grand Entry attire (meaning what a titleholder would wear when introduced at the Dixie National in the arena on horseback). Must be a flashy, grand entry style top, WRANGLER jean product, boots, belt, and cowboy hat. Vests and embellishments are permitted. <i>NO DRESSES, SKIRTS, and/or JACKETS.</i>
Style Show and Coronation Same outfit as Group Interview.	

- Contestants may be disqualified for the following infractions:
 - Being late to an event
 - Breaking dress code
 - Poor sportsmanship
 - Using foul language
 - Any attempt by a contestant or a contestant's family member to threaten, bribe, influence, harass, or coerce a judge, another contestant, or pageant committee member before, during, or after the event

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