



Princess of North Carolina State Pageant Rules and Regulations

- 1) Contestants and/or parents are not allowed to approach the judges at any time during the pageant.
- 2) Judges decisions are final and indisputable.
- 3) Score sheets, Talent tapes; CDs and Photogenic pictures will be available at the auditor's table immediately following the Coronation ceremony. We will not be responsible for keeping or returning any items left behind.
- 4) No props allowed for talent competitions. Exception: a chair / stool as part of the routine or small hand held carry on object. (Ask if in doubt)
- 5) Only the contestant and one chaperone are allowed in the dressing rooms. Exception: Paid Hairdressers and/or make-up persons are allowed in the dressing room area if they have paid passes.
- 6) Hairdressers and/or make-up persons are each required to pay a \$50 access fee. The fee must be paid directly by the client to PONC. H/M people are responsible for bringing their own table, chair, and extension cords, etc. When finished each H/M person is responsible for cleaning up their own area! Fees paid are per contestant. We are not responsible for accidents caused by hot irons or any items brought in by Hair/Makeup artist.
- 7) Contestant numbers should be worn on the left side waist area if at all possible! We provide a clip, no pins necessary
- 8) Contestants must be on time for scheduled competitions. We cannot delay competitions to wait for any contestant! It is the responsibility of the chaperone to insure that the contestant is on time for each event. The pageant staff will not be responsible for informing contestants of times for scheduled competitions. Chaperones should follow the schedule of events listed in the program book and also listen for any changes that may be announced during competition! Any contestant that is not on time for their scheduled competition will be allowed to compete as the last person in their division with a two-point (2) penalty per judge for that competition!
- 9) Any items left behind backstage or in the dressing room areas will be collected and retained for a period of ten days after the pageant! If these items are not claimed within the ten (10) day period we reserve the right to dispose of the property as we see fit. If you left something behind contact us and if you can prove the item is yours we will gladly return it to you! Any postage or handling fees are the responsibility of the parent and/or guardian who is claiming said property!
- 10) Only "Official" Princess of North Carolina preliminary applications/information may be distributed at or during the pageant at any time unless expressly permitted by the state directors! Any such material if found will be removed!
- 11) Information on whom or how many are competing in any age group will not be disclosed.
- 12) Additions or changes to the application information or competitions may be made up until 3 weeks prior to the pageant date!
- 13) No solicitors will be allowed at the event location unless specifically approved by the state directors!
- 14) The use of any type of radio's, walkie-talkies, boom boxes, CD players, etc. is not allowed in the auditorium or in the dressing room areas.
- 15) Please do not leave valuable items unattended in the dressing areas or restrooms! (PONC is not responsible)
- 16) No still cameras, videos, or recording devices are allowed inside the auditorium. Anyone reported to the staff for either of these violations will be asked to put their cameras away and/or removed from the auditorium! An official photographer and videographer will be available for anyone wishing to purchase photo packages or videos.
- 17) Please, no food or drinks allowed inside the auditorium at any time! If you are caught with either, you will be ask to leave without refund.
- 18) We would ask that everyone please wait before approaching the stage with your flowers, gifts, etc. until after pictures have been taken.
- 19) We reserve the right to disqualify any contestant or refuse entry to anyone in this or future pageant for poor sportsmanship, inappropriate language or behavior or not honoring the duties of their title. Any and all legal fee's incurred will be the responsibility of the contestant, parent(s) and/or guardian.



Princess of North Carolina State Title Rules and Regulations

- 1) Contestants must have a valid North Carolina address and have resided within the State for at least 6 months of the year.
- 2) Contestants must be single, never married, never given birth, and must be born female to compete. (due to my religious belief)!
- 3) All queens must return as the reigning Princess of NC titleholder wearing their official crown and banner and crown their successors. In addition, they are also required to display at all times their 16 x 20 or larger crowning portraits and scrapbooks for the duration of the state pageant. (See item #13)
- 4) State queens are not allowed to compete in any pageant during their reign without prior written approval from the state directors.
- 5) Reigning state queens may not compete in any pageant including state pageants which carry a binding title i.e. LMNC, Lumbee, NCOT, or anything that interferes with any PONC mandatory appearances.
- 6) State queens are required to represent their Princess of North Carolina State title solely at all times. See contract for specific guidelines. Rules regarding qualifying pageant title representation are set forth by that pageants director. PONC has no ownership of Qualifying Pageants
- 7) The outgoing Princess of North Carolina Overall Supreme is not eligible to return and compete within the Princess of North Carolina system.
(The Mini-Supreme titleholder must wait 2 years after relinquishing her title before returning.
- 8) Division winners may not hold the same division title twice. Example: The title holder wins her division at age Seven (7) (Little Miss) she cannot return to compete again until she reaches age 10 or agrees to move up a division at age (9) at which time she would compete as a Junior Miss contestant in the 10 to 12 age division.
- 9) Sisters of reigning State queens may not compete in the State pageant in the year following their sister's reign. Exception: Royal Miss
 - a. At mandatory appearances, you must arrive on time and dressed prepared for your appearance.
 - b. Some mandatory events/appearances will be required of all State queens, schedules forthcoming. We will have a private FB message board for the new court. We ask that you check it at least once a day for updates and information on upcoming events. All queens will be required to make ten (10) appearances. In addition you are required to attend at least (5) five Princess preliminary pageants of your choice. (IF) from Western Part of state, each queen will be ask to attend 4 PONC Preliminaries and (11) appearances. All state queens are required to attend mandatory events as follows: Raleigh Christmas Parade the third Saturday in November including the rain date (the next day, Sunday) or dates provided by GRMA. The PONC State queens Christmas Party following the Raleigh Christmas Parade. The Azalea Festival Parade and group picture for program book during the weekend of Azalea Festival in April held in Wilmington NC (you must stay with the group through lunch), the Victory Junction Camp Run For Victory and tour/in Sept. which includes a one night stay at the camp and a dinner provided at no charge for the queen and her parents, the PONC Birthday Party in June, The state queens fundraiser (The Gala, which is usually in February). Actual dates and times will be forwarded to you as soon as they are determined. Please be aware dates and times may be subject to change.
- 10) If a previous title is already held, the new state queen may return to crown her successor; however, immediately following must put on her official Princess of North Carolina state crown and banner.
- 11) You will be required to keep a scrapbook showing your appearances during your title reign. Scrapbooks must be traditional with paper media and photos. No digital scrapbooks are allowed (slide show, power point, etc.).
- 12) PONC Queens must have a professional 16x20 or (larger) portrait **wearing their state PONC Crown** to display on an easel for the following years PONC State Pageant. Clothing and background are the queens' choice. (Portraits may be larger, but no smaller than a 16 x 20) Also a 5x7 is required for the program book wearing their crown and banner. Use of the robe is contestant choice for picture. Background : Gray or blue-gray (for program book)
- 13) You will be required to have a matching dress for the Azalea Parade. PONC will provide ½ of the cost of the dress donated by a formal shop.
- 14) You, Your Guardians or anyone related to you agree never to take any legal actions against Princess of North Carolina, the owner, directors, or any of its affiliates.

- 15) Each state queen will be required to purchase a black uniform wind suit and 2 tees with their state title and name monogrammed on the suit.
All size information taken immediately following pageant. Purchase information will be provided. Fee's due within 2 weeks of coronation. This item is subject to change based on mutual consensus. (price to be determined by seller)
- 16) Each queen will be required to personally raise at least at least \$500 dollars during her title reign for Victory Junction. This would be in addition to any funds raised as a group. A check for the total amount will be presented at the following years State pageant.
- 17) Royalty capes, which are awarded to each division, Supreme winners (overall & mini) and the Royal Miss, are the responsibility of each State queen and must be returned at the end of their title reign. Capes are to be worn ONLY by the State Queen to whom they were issued. (**DO NOT WASH**). Return capes on hangers with name and 15.00 attached for dry cleaning in an envelope. If cape is lost or stolen it must be replaced and/or repaired at the expense of the parent or guardian(s). These capes cost approx 275.00 each give or take a little.
- 18) Winners must fulfill their duties and will abide by all the rules and regulations set forth here and conduct themselves in a manner representing the high standards, which a Princess of North Carolina State title demands. This includes the contestants' legal guardians as well!!! Please be mindful of inappropriate words or photos that are posted on social media. Inappropriate language or pictures posted will not be allowed.
- 19) Any Queen that cannot abide by the rules & regulations set forth here and in their signed contract will be asked to relinquish their title within ten days and return the cape, (if damaged will pay \$275.00 to replace) directors choice. They must also return or pay to replace all the winners' gifts. This is up to the owner/ and or director of PONC whether to except the awards or charge to replace them. All legal fees are the responsibility of the queen and/or guardian.
- 20) All Scholarship money will presented at the completion of the queens reign and presented on stage to her with her presidential service award.
- 21) PONC reserves the right to modify, change schedules, revise or change any information contained in the application, rules, and regulations or to the official contracts signed by each parent/guardian on behalf of their minor child or State Queen if she is of legal age.
- 22) Each Queen will be required to attend the opening dance rehearsals for the following state pageant.
- 23) Each Queen will be required to attend the coronation dinner and the first group meeting. (approx date within the month after coronation)