

### **Regional Queen Contest Guidelines**

As long as there are less than 4 girls in any given region, there will only be 1 Regional Queen Contest. In odd numbered years, the 1<sup>st</sup> Regional Rodeo will host. In even number years, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regional Rodeo will host.

It is assumed that there will be 2 contests in each region until after the Regional Entry Forms are completed and processed. It will be determined by the Regional Secretary if there are less than 4 contestants. At this point, the Regional Secretary will contact State Coordinator Kellie Yackley regarding the number of contestants and Kellie will notify Regional Queen Coordinators and Queen Contestants as to how the regional contest will be run.

If a contestant only pays for one contest, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> contest is needed because of the number rule (4 or more contestants in any region), that contestant will only be allowed to compete in the single contest they enter. If a contestant only pays for one queen contest entry and it is determined that there will only be one contest, that contestant will have to compete in the designated Regional contest. i.e. if there are only 2 contestants in any given region, they must compete against each other at the designated regional contest.

**Each region is required to have a minimum of one full contest, with 6 judges and all categories judged. After the regional contest is complete, the Regional Secretaries will be required to submit the signed judge's sheets to the State Secretary, along with all other judge sheets and required information from the rodeo.**

It is up to the Regional committees to coordinate and determine who will be financially responsible for the designated regional contest. Regional committees may decide to have each region pay for their own contests in the designated year or you may find it beneficial to split all contest expenses. If you have specific questions, please contact Kellie Yackley at [ksybydesign@ymail.com](mailto:ksybydesign@ymail.com) or 605-280-9593.

We are hopeful that at some point, the numbers of Queen Contestants will increase and both Regional Qualifying Rodeos will go back to hosting a contest. However, until that point, a single contest should help each regional rodeo financially and in securing the large number of judges for a single contest/contestant.

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