



Guidelines for the State Finals

1. Miss Louisiana contestants will conduct themselves at all times with the dignity, grace, professionalism and sportsmanship which exemplifies the integrity of today's American woman as detailed in each of the following statements.
2. A Contestant upon signing the Application/Contract to compete in the State Pageant is bound by the terms and provisions contained in said Application and must observe all competition rules until her departure from the State Finals.
3. Noncompliance with any of the rules, terms and provisions contained in said Application will result in disciplinary action as determined by MLO which can include the elimination of the Contestant from the State Finals.
4. Contestants must register by the official time set and remain until released following the Miss Louisiana Coronation Ball and Awards Ceremony.
5. A contestant must stay only at the Bayou Suites located on the campus of University of Louisiana at Monroe.
6. A contestant must be accompanied at all times during the State Finals. She will always be escorted by a member of the Hostess Committee or MLO representative unless otherwise directed.
7. Contestants are not allowed to leave their dorm floor unless accompanied by a Hostess.
8. A contestant will not participate in any interview, photo session, media contact or any type of publicity unless a hostess or MLO board member is present.
9. A contestant will not attend parties, meetings, social events or make public appearances other than those scheduled by the Miss Louisiana Scholarship Organization during pageant week.
10. A contestant will not smoke in public, at the dorm, or while being transported between events.
11. There will be no consumption of alcohol during the state pageant week.
12. A contestant will not be in the company of or speak to a Miss Louisiana Scholarship Organization judge except at regularly scheduled Miss Louisiana Scholarship Organization events.
13. A Contestant will not have any private or personal meetings with any family, friends, or local representatives, interview/preparatory coaches, personal trainers, sponsors, talent instructors, etc. during the state pageant.

14. Visitors, including Local Directors, Board Members, sponsors, consultants, and coaches of any kind, parents, family members and friends, are not permitted to visit a Contestant's dorm, nor may the contestant visit with them at anytime other times designated by the state organization.
15. No one, other than the Contestant, is permitted to take pictures of her own room. These pictures/photos or any other pictures/photos cannot be distributed or sent electronically to anyone.
16. Portable radios, cellular phones, laptop computers, cameras, video or recording devices are not permitted in rehearsal areas, interview rooms, the theater, changing areas or dressing room. A CD or other music player is permitted. Unauthorized items and items used in an unauthorized manner or discovered in an unauthorized location will be confiscated and may be held until the completion of the State Finals.
17. Medical and dental expenses incurred, during the State Finals or other related activities are the responsibility of the Contestant.

If a Contestant's conduct is deemed unsatisfactory and the image and good name of the Miss Louisiana Organization and/or the fair competition integrity of the State Finals are deemed jeopardized, the following procedure may be followed. The Executive Board of MLO may cause the contestant to forfeit her local title and terminate her eligibility to participate in the State Finals. If, by the exclusive judgment of the Executive Board of the MLO, the infraction is not deemed serious enough for immediate disqualification in the State Finals and for the forfeiture of the contestant's local title:

1. An authorized MLO official will issue a written warning notice to the Contestant in the presence of a witness and the Contestant's Local Director will be notified immediately. The written warning notice must be signed by the Contestant if she is to continue her participation in the State Finals.
2. If the Contestant corrects the conduct that caused this warning, and does not engage in any other violations or unsatisfactory acts of conduct, then no further action will be taken.
3. If the conduct is not corrected or if it is repeated, or if another rule is violated by the same Contestant, the Executive Director of MLO will be notified immediately. The determination of the Executive Board of MLO as to the appropriate action shall be final and binding, and can include forfeiture of the Contestant's Local Title and/or termination of the Contestant's eligibility to compete or continue to compete in the State Pageant.

MLO reserves the right to amend and/or modify the foregoing rules at any time without notice.

I have read and understand the rules and regulations and agree to abide by them at all times.

SIGNATURE OF CONTESTANT

DATE