

COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

TEXAS POLLED HEREFORD ROYALTY

- 1. Committee will consist of at least one Board of directors and two others.**
- 2. February and March - Post Ads for royalty in the Texas Polled Hereford newsletter, and on line.**
- 3. Applications for Queen/Princess are due May 1 to be sent to designated committee person.**
- 4. Sweethearts are asked to write a short essay (at least one sentence) on why they want to be a sweetheart and will be judged on a point system.**
- 5. There will be 3 judges chosen by the Queen Committee to judge the Queen/Princess Resumes according to the Resume score sheets prior to the interview.**
- 6. There will be 3 interview judges. They will be chosen by the Queen Committee from the TPHA board members, Pollette board members, TJPFA Advisors and past State Queen mothers. One Pollette executive board member to be a silent observer during the interviews.**
- 7. Interview judges will judge according to the interview score sheets.**
- 8. Queen candidates will be asked to give a brief description of themselves and tell why they would like to be Texas Polled Hereford Queen and then the judges will be allowed to ask questions.**
- 9. The Pollette Board of Directors will tally the interview score sheets and resume score sheets to make the final selections.**

TEXAS POLLED HEREFORD QUEEN/PRINCESS

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Qualifications:

- (A) Must be at least 16 by January 1st and must be less than 22 years of age by January 1st the year running for Texas Polled Hereford Queen.
- (B) Must be single, never married, no children.
- (C) Must be a Texas Junior Polled Hereford Association member and a member of the National Junior Hereford Association. Also, must own a Polled Hereford or be a daughter or granddaughter of a Polled Hereford breeder that owns a Polled Hereford. A candidate, parent or guardian must be a member of the Texas Pollettes and National Hereford Women.
- (D) Must have served as Texas Polled Hereford Sweetheart or Texas Polled Hereford Princess for at least one year before being crowned Texas Polled Hereford Queen.
- (E) The runner up for queen will be crowned Texas Polled Hereford Princess. If there is not a contestant eligible for Queen, then a second Princess may be selected.

2. Rules:

- (A) Each contestant must submit three copies of completed typed application with a summary of why she would like to be the Texas Polled Hereford Queen. It is most important the candidate have general knowledge of Polled Herefords and the beef industry.
- (B) Submit two professional quality 8X10 or 5X7 color photos in official summer outfit. After the contest, the queen and princess pictures will be placed in the scrapbook and will not be returned.
- (C) All of the above needs to be sent to the designated Queen Chairman by May 1st. Application must be signed by contestant and a parent.
- (D) Resumes will be judged by three judges prior to the interview using the resume score sheets.
- (E) All candidates must be present at the contest. The contest place to be announced. The contestants will be judged by a panel of judges chosen from a Texas Polled Hereford organization. Each contestant will be asked to present a brief speech about why she desires to be the Texas Polled Hereford Queen. The interview judges will evaluate each contestant using the score sheets provided. Each contestant's score sheets will be given to the Pollette Board of Directors for the final decisions.
- (F) Princess needs to appear at anytime the Queen cannot attend an event.
- (G) Any deviation from the expected behavior such as pregnancy, felony violation of the law, drinking, use of tobacco, drugs, etc. will result in disqualification from the program.
- (H) Decisions for removal of Queen or Princess will be made by the Pollette Executive Board and the Queen Committee.
- (I) Cannot serve as any other breed Royalty while serving as Texas Polled Hereford Royalty.
- (J) May participate if asked in Horned Hereford shows but may not participate in any other breed show. If asked to help may do so if tiara and banner are removed and it does not interfere with Polled Hereford duties.
- (K) All royalty must be chaperoned by a parent, Pollette or designated adult at all times while wearing banner and tiara.
- (L) Dress code is as follows:
 - Official State Queen guidelines for all appearances and for the Junior National Show:
 - 1. Summer Outfit: Skirt of full design, pleated, gathered, gored or A-line in solid fabric or subdued print. No straight skirt or slits. Blouse must have sleeves; show no cleavage; no off the shoulder and no see through material. Solid colors and subdued prints with no stripes or plaids.
 - 2. Tailored clothing looks better in the ring and in photos.
 - 3. Length of skirt (summer and winter) MUST cover top of boot by at least one inch and at least one inch off ground.

4. Winter outfit is a blazer and skirt of wool or wool blend fabric. Skirt of full design, pleated, gathered, gored or A-line. No straight skirts or slits. No large prints or plaids.
5. Cowboy boots(dressier type)
6. Tiara will be worn as Queen or Princess. No hats. Banner is to be worn only in official dress.
7. Accessories: Small amount of studding is acceptable on clothing. Conservative and modest is the rule in jewelry.
8. NO SOLID WHITE or cream may be worn in skirt, blouse or boots. The National Queen only wears white. Each girl has the option of putting together an individual style that she is comfortable with and feels looks best on her.
9. DRESS JEANS (khaki, black or navy) may be worn (if queen/princess showing) at certain shows if prior approval is given by Queen Committee.
10. If at any time attire is not acceptable, she will be asked to remove her tiara and banner and not allowed to represent the association until wardrobe is deemed acceptable.

NATIONAL GUIDELINES MUST BE FOLLOWED AT THE JUNIOR
NATIONAL SHOW AND THE NATIONAL SHOW

- (M) The Texas Polled Hereford Queen will receive (if all obligations are fulfilled) a \$500 scholarship at the end of her reign. College entrance proof must be provided.
- (N) Queen is under the supervision of the committee at all times. She is to notify a Texas Queen Chairman when she is asked to represent the Texas Polled Hereford breeders. Queen/Princess must be chaperoned by an adult (parent, Pollette director, etc) at all times while she is representing the breed. Once a Queen always a Queen. A copy of the National Resume needs to be sent to Texas Queen Chairman.
- (M) Conduct of Queen and Princess should be ladylike at all times. Be careful of all posts on social media. Misconduct of any kind would mean termination and all awards forfeited. Questions of conduct will be handled by Queen Committee and Pollette Directors.

Official required appearances for Queen are at:

1. State Junior Show
2. State Open Show
3. State Fair – Dallas
4. Houston (Open or Junior)
5. Fort Worth (Both Junior and Open)
6. National Polled Hereford Show (Kansas City)
7. Junior National Show (this show is not required but encouraged as there are workshops which are very helpful to prepare the state queens for the National Queen Contest.
8. San Antonio and San Angelo, Abilene recommended but not required

With approval of the Pollette Board of Directors, may attend other sales, functions etc. if invited.

Queen expenses for traveling and wardrobe will be refunded (with receipts) for the following: \$200 general expenses, \$500 Junior National, and \$500 for the National Queen contest.

If you are not sure about something, ask the Queen Committee.

TEXAS POLLED HEREFORD SWEETHEART RULES

1. QUALIFICATIONS:

Must be at least 10 and less than 16 years of age by January 1st of the year in which she is to compete for Sweetheart. Must be a member of the Texas Junior Polled Hereford Association, own a Polled Hereford or be a daughter or granddaughter of a Polled Hereford breeder.

2. RULES:

- (A) All must be present at the contest. Sweethearts are asked to write a short essay (at least one sentence) on why they want to be a sweetheart and will be judged by a point system observed by a panel of judges.
- (B) There will be two to four Sweethearts chosen for a one-year term. After a one-year term, Sweethearts can reapply for only one more term. After serving two years they must wait one year before applying to serve again.
- (C) Sweethearts are under the supervision of the Texas Poll-Ette Queen Committee and the Texas Poll-Ette Directors.
- (D) Sweethearts should coordinate all activities with the Texas Polled Hereford Queen. (Let the queen know when they will be helping at shows and work directly with the queen)
- (E) Dress will be starched dress jeans (Colored or Dark Dark Denim-no stone washed). A nice starched shirt that does not show cleavage with sleeves (no sleeveless) and no see through materials. No solid white or cream may be worn; it is reserved for the national queen. Any special sales or open shows kaki or black pants will be worn. Tiara and banner will only be worn when appropriately dressed. Blazer or vest is acceptable when cold. No fur on vest or jacket. Conservative jewelry may be worn.
- (F) On special occasions, when a dress is required, a long full skirt that is at least 1 inch below the top of western boots may be worn with a blazer or an appropriate blouse.
- (G) Sweethearts will not be allowed to represent the Texas Polled Hereford breed unless they are appropriately dressed and with Tiara and Banner.
- (H) Must be accompanied by a chaperone at all times when wearing banner and tiara. Only exception is State Junior Show.
- (I) Never participate in any other breed show wearing Polled Hereford banner and tiara. Only exception is Horned Hereford if invited.
- (J) Conduct of a Sweetheart should be ladylike at all times. Be careful of all posts on social media. Misconduct of any kind would mean termination.

Queen Expense proposed changes to be added to rules:

Queen is responsible for putting together (with help from Pollettes) a Queen Basket for the auction at the TPHA general membership meeting at Ft. Worth in January each year. Proceeds will go to the Queen Scholarship and expenses with receipts not to exceed \$100.00 for each of the following shows: Ft Worth Junior and open, San Antonio Junior, Houston Junior, Dallas ~~Junior and Open.~~

& state show if not included

To be added to queen guidelines:

Queen committee to coordinate with queen for the Queen Basket auction held each year at the TPHA meeting at the Ft Worth show. Also assist Queen in writing Thank You Notes to the buyers.

TEXAS POLLED HEREFORD QUEEN

JUDGES SCORE SHEET

NAME _____

RESUME

Leadership 15 max _____

Agricultural Activities 15 max _____

Civic 10 max _____

Presentation or other 10 max _____

TOTAL RESUME _____

INTERVIEW

Knowledge of Polled Herefords 15 max _____

Communication Skills 20 max _____

Neatness and dressed according to rules 15 max _____

TOTAL INTERVIEW _____

GRAND TOTAL _____

COMMENTS: _____
