

Appendix A

Promoters Rules and Regulations

Definition of a Promoter: A Person or Company that finances and organizes an event or production.

- 1) All Promoter actions, advertisements, and commitments must be approved by the Chairman or Vice Chairman prior to the preliminary or event.
- 2) Promoter commits to the format set by the BOD governing the Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System.
- 3) Create a plan to be innovative with the theme, secure a venue, acquire contestants, to promote and host your preliminary pageant or event, and adhere to the criteria based on the Rules and Regulations of the Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System.
- 4) All advertising must have specific details to be submitted and approved by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman. Details must include date, time, categories, entry fee, prize package, and theme.
- 5) All advertising must begin a minimum of 30 days prior to the event or preliminary
- 6) There must be a minimum registration deadline for contestants of at least 5 days before the pageant prelim.
- 7) By signing the Promoter Agreement, you are bound contractually to provide the listed items and details written.
- 8) Preliminary Fees - Total price as a Preliminary Promoter is \$450, not including any booking fees. This includes the two Preliminary Crowns and official sashes for winners, and admission to the State Pageant for both the State Winner, At Large Winner, and the 1st Alternate of each. (No alternative sashes are permitted.) All fees must be paid on or before 30 days prior to the date of the Preliminary and will be collected by the Board Treasurer. All fees are non-refundable.
- 9) Reigning Miss Gay Texas State and at Large are required to perform at each preliminary. Their booking fee is \$125 each for a minimum of 2 performances and assistance with the preliminary as the promoter deems necessary (within reason) Payment to be paid prior to the start of the preliminary. Titleholders are required to follow the Code of Conduct.
- 10) Preliminaries 100 miles or greater outside the DFW area will require Travel Accommodations for the State Title Holders as they deem necessary and within reason but not to exceed hotel lodgings and transportation expenses. All preliminaries must be held not to exceed 50 miles outside of the state line.
- 11) Promoters are encouraged to attend, promote, and support other Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System Events, and encourage their titleholders to do the same.
- 12) Failure to follow Rules and Regulations will result in elimination of preliminary and/or Event and removal from the Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System. All Rights to preliminary name will be forfeited upon expulsion from The Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System.
- 13) In the event there are no contestants, the preliminary owner may choose to send their reigning titleholders to the state pageant or first alternates to the state pageant.
- 14) Promoter Conduct – All promoters will be required to abide by the Code of Conduct and rules 11-17 on Contestant Rules (page 6-7)
- 15) Pageant Preliminary Categories – Preliminaries must be operated in the same format as the State Pageant, including Presentation, talent, Evening Gown, On-Stage Q&A, with the exception of Person Interview, which will be at the promoter's discretion.

Remember, all members of the Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System are ambassadors and available to assist you in your success. Preliminaries will deliver results based on the work that is put into them. We appreciate your willingness to become a Promoter, and we encourage you to leave your mark within the Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System.



Promoter Agreement

As the Preliminary Promoter, it is your responsibility to comply with the Promoter Rules and Regulations as set by the BOD of the Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System. The Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System accepts no responsibility for any agreements or actions between contestants and the Preliminary Promoter. All agreements should be in writing and acknowledged between the Promoter and Contestants.

All preliminary pageants must be scheduled at a minimum of 30 days in advance and will occur even if you have only one (1) Contestant. The Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System will provide judging criteria that must be adhered to. Copies of all judge's sheets should be retained for review, if necessary. All Preliminaries should be scheduled with the Chairman or Vice Chairman and reigning Miss Gay Texas State and State at Large for guest appearance and oversight.

Each Preliminary Promoter is expected to follow and enforce the written rules and regulations of the Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System, governed by the Executive Board. This agreement is good for one calendar year from the date signed.

As a promoter you are leasing the name of the preliminary pageant. Should you decide not to continue or are removed as a promoter, ownership of the preliminary pageant will remain with the Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System.

Approval will be at discretion of the Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System Executive Board of Directors.

Preliminary Name: _____

Date of Preliminary - _____ Hosting Venue - _____

Prize Package Contents-_____

Contestant Entry Fee \$ _____ Prelim Fee - **\$450.00** Titleholder Booking Fee Total - **\$250.00** (\$125 per titleholder)

By signing this agreement, you acknowledge and pledge to adhere to the contents set forth in the Promoter Rules and Regulations as well as contents of this agreement.

Signature of Promoter _____

Date _____

Printed Name of Promoter _____

Acknowledgment:

State of Texas County of _____ Before me, _____ (name of Notary) , on this day personally appeared _____, known to me (or proved to me on the oath of _____ or through (description of identity card or other document) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this _____ day of _____, (year).

(Seal)

Notary Public's Signature _____

Appendix B

THE PRELIMINARY MISS GAY TEXAS STATE PAGEANT SYSTEM RULES AND REGULATIONS

Any and all Preliminary Pageants are an official Preliminary to Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System

Mission Statement:

The Miss Gay Texas State Pageant Systems' purpose is to develop and maintain a high-quality and professional pageant system and be recognized as the "Symbol of Excellence" within the community the pageant serves. The System also supports and promotes men who take the art of female impersonation to a higher level. Annually the System will donate funds back to the community, when available.

Definitions:

- 1) Preliminary or Prelim: a contest or pageant that precedes the State Pageant and produces a State and State at Large winner.
- 2) Promoter(s): one who assumes the financial responsibilities of and including contracting with the Board of Directors, Securing the venue, advertisement, and collecting entry fees.
- 3) Contestant(s): one who competes in a preliminary for the State Pageant and has permanent residency in the State of Texas
- 4) State: Any contestant that meets the criteria of MGTSPS as defined in #1 of the pageant & contestant rules.
- 5) At Large: Any contestant that is 6 ft or taller and/or weighs 200 lbs. or more and meets the criteria of MGTSPS as defined in #1 of the pageant & contestant rules
- 6) Affiliates: assistants, friends, dancers, dressers, makeup artists, entertainers, partners, family, or any other person that is with the contestant
- 7) Format: all pageant prelims will have scored categories include Presentation, Evening gown, Talent, and On-stage question, with the option to the promoter of holding Personal Interview.
- 8) Out of Town: Any location outside the DFW area
- 9) Out of State: within 50 miles of state line

Appendix C

List of Preliminaries

Miss Gay Austin State
Miss Gay Cedar Creek State
Miss Gay Dallas State
Miss Gay East Texas State
Miss Gay Fire & Ice State
Miss Gay Fort Worth State
Miss Gay Golden Globe State
Miss Gay Houston State
Miss Gay Lone Star State
Miss Gay Mid-cities State
Miss Gay North Texas State
Miss Gay Rainbow Ranch State
Miss Gay Silver Star State
Miss Gay Tarrant County State
Miss Gay Texas Bluebonnet State
Miss Gay Tri-cities State

Miss Gay Austin State at Large
Miss Gay Cedar Creek State at Large
Miss Gay Dallas State at Large
Miss Gay East Texas State at Large
Miss Gay Fire & Ice State at Large
Miss Gay Fort Worth State at Large
Miss Gay Golden Globe State at Large
Miss Gay Houston State at Large
Miss Gay Lone Star State at Large
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Miss Gay Rainbow Ranch State at Large
Miss Gay Silver Star State at Large
Miss Gay Tarrant County State at Large
Miss Gay Texas Bluebonnet State at Large
Miss Gay Tri-cities State at Large