



2017
Miss Rodeo
Leduc Black Gold
Application

Dear Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Applicants:

Thank you for expressing interest in participating in our 2017 Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold (MRLBG) Competition. We encourage all potential applicants to read through the MRLBG Application Package thoroughly, complete each section, and familiarize yourself with the information within the package. The list below serves as a checklist for what applicants are required to submit in order to be eligible for the pageant. Entries close **Friday, DECEMBER 30th, 2016***.

A **complete** application package **must** include:

- 1) Point Form Resume on plain white paper
- 2) Biography
- 3) Copy of Driver's License
- 4) Complete MRL Application Form
- 5) Complete Medical Information and Background Form
- 6) Signed Waiver of Liability Form
- 7) Signed Acknowledgement and Release
- 8) Photo of Applicant and photographer's release

Applications will be judged.

Points will be awarded for the proper completion of the Application Package. Packages must be in by **Friday, DECEMBER 30th, 2016***.

Mail or drop off applications to:

The Leduc Regional Chamber of Commerce
6420 50 St
Leduc, Alberta
T9E 7K9
c/o Leduc Royalty Committee

Location hours are: Monday-Friday 8:30 – 4:30

If you have any questions please contact:

Dana Kostick – Rodeo Royalty Chairperson
(780) 233-5122
E-mail: leducroyaltycommittee@blackgoldrodeo.com

Applications must be sent in a **SEALED envelope**. If application is not sealed upon reception, it will be discarded or returned unopened, and candidate will forfeit her entry for that competition year.

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**Applications may be accepted on a first-come first served basis until Friday, December 30th, 2016, as deemed fit by the Leduc Royalty Committee.*

***The Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Competition is subject to a maximum amount of candidates accepted to participate each year, as deemed fit by the Leduc Royalty Committee.*

**** MRLBG Agreement & Rules and Regulations will be given to the 2017 MRLBG upon crowning.*

It will be required to be filled out and signed after the crowning event at an introductory meeting with the 2017 Rodeo Queen. Date to be determined at a later date.



Welcome to the Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Competition

The rewards for competing in the Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Competition are numerous. Every participant has the opportunity to garner one of the richest experiences of their lives and at the same time create a solid foundation for their future endeavors. Lifelong friendships are made and many doors are opened to all participants!

During the competition, participants are judged according to some main categories, including personality, appearance, horsemanship, and other/miscellaneous. Scores are collected from each event, and categories include, but are not limited to: horsemanship, speech presentation, interview, impromptu questions, modeling, photogenic judging, overall personality, overall appearance, and written test.

Intelligence and good common sense is a big factor in the personality division. Education and conversational ability in professional rodeo, current events and other areas are vital with special emphasis on grammar and enunciation. A participant should radiate self-confidence, showing maturity, high moral standards, sincerity and integrity. Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Competition participants should have the ability to project their personality, whether it is from horseback in an arena, on television promoting rodeo, or before an audience. Also considered are a sense of humor, showmanship, ambition, desire, enthusiasm and a happy outlook on life in general. Be yourself!

In the appearance category, participants should be aware of what fashionable western dress is and be knowledgeable on current trends in the western wear industry. Attractiveness includes neatness and cleanliness in every detail. Meticulous care in general grooming is essential for a participant to be considered for the title of Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold. Participants are responsible for supplying their personal western attire for all competition events.

Horsemanship is also a vital part of the Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold competition and reign. Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold is introduced during professional rodeo performances, rides horseback in parades and makes countless other appearances where she is expected to ride a horse.

On behalf of the Leduc Black Gold Pro Rodeo & Exhibition Association, **GOOD LUCK!**

Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Applicant Provisions

Entry Closing Date:

Completed applications must be received by the Leduc Regional Chamber of Commerce, on or before **Friday, DECEMBER 30th, 2016***.

Applications must be sent in a **SEALED envelope**. If application is not sealed upon reception, it will be discarded or returned unopened, and candidate will forfeit her entry for that competition year.

Eligibility:

In order to be eligible to participate in the competition, applicants must:

- 1) Be a female who is a minimum of 20 years of age as of 1st January, 2016, and not over the age of 24 as of the concluding December 31st of her reign;
- 2) Never have been married, pregnant, had a child or pleaded guilty to or found guilty of a criminal offence;
- 3) Be a Canadian Citizen and Alberta resident;
- 4) Have a valid driver's license; which has never been suspended; and
- 5) Never have held a Miss Rodeo Canada or Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold title.

Note:

We thank all applicants in advance for their interest in becoming "Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold". Applications **will** be judged and the Leduc Royalty Committee has the right to eliminate and/or select candidates solely on an application basis as they see fit.

The Leduc Royalty Committee will hold interviews with all successful applicant(s) at a date in January to be determined once applications have been received. Applications may also be subject to a first-come first-served basis depending on number of applications received (please see asterisked section on page 3). You will be notified of the state of your application, and your interview date and time (if applicable), once applications have been processed. Any applicants not accepted for the 2017 competition are encouraged to re-apply next year as our pageant is continuously working to grow and develop. Royalty reign will run from January to December 31, each year.

Administration Fee: \$20 make checks payable to Leduc Black Gold Pro Rodeo

Point Form Resume:

A point form resume of approximately two pages is required. The document should be typed, double spaced, on plain white paper only, and organized in applicant's personal style.

Biography (approx. 150 – 250 words)

This Biography will be used for public relations during the competition. Including but not limited to newspaper announcement, pageant events, programs & introductory during the 2017 Leduc Black Gold Pro Rodeo performances. Your biography may include things such as: Where you live & grew up; School and/or Employment; Personal Successes; Future plans; Interests; Why you have chosen to run for Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold; etc.

Driver's License

A photocopy of the applicant's driver's license is required with the entry application package. (You may black out license number if you wish). Successful applicants will be expected to provide drivers abstract and criminal record check.

Personal Photo:

The photo will be returned to the applicants at the end of the competition.

Photos need to be a headshot (head & shoulders, or waist & up), size 5x7 or 8x10 in size and in full color. You need to be in long sleeve western attire and a cowboy hat. If you choose to use a professional portrait, a photographer's release **MUST** accompany photo or it will not be used.

*** Please know that this photo may be used in our 2017 Rodeo Program.*

Submitted photos, and any subsequent pictures taken in connection with the Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold 2017 Competition in any manner, are property of the Leduc Royalty Committee & the Leduc Black Gold Pro Rodeo & Exhibition Association and may be used by the Association for promotional purposes without written consent of the Applicant.

Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Application Form

Please type the following information:

Name: _____

Present
Address: _____
(City) (Prov.) (Postal Code)

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Phone:

Residence: (_____) _____

Cell: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

Emergency Contact Person: _____

Relationship to Contact Person: _____

Emergency Contact Phone #1: _____ ph #2: _____

Medical Information

1. Known allergies (food, drugs, insects or other) _____

Explanation of reaction and indicate treatment/medicine used _____

2. Provide any specific information, and/or describe any past operations, serious injuries, or chronic illnesses, which may affect your participation in the Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold competition and/or for which special consideration should be given.

3. Provincial Health Care Number _____

Background Form

NOTE: In the following section please concisely describe your response (may be point form). Specific dates should also be included in order to define the time frame in which your accomplishments were achieved.

1. Educational History: _____

2. Scholastic Achievements: _____

3. Rodeo, Horse Show and other horse activities which you participated in or received recognition for in the past: _____

4. Current or recent past volunteer work: _____

5. Career Goals:

Waiver of Liability

(Please note – this does not need to be signed by a Commissioner for Oaths or Notary Public)

In consideration of my application being accepted, I hereby for myself, executors, administrators, and assignees agree to abide and that they shall abide by all rules and regulations pertaining to the Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Competition and I and they assume no responsibility of liability of any loss, accident or injury, whether as to the property or person, arising in any way out of the operation or activities of the committee or management in any event or part of any performance or while in, on or about the premises of the Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Competition in Alberta. As for the consideration aforesaid I further agree to indemnify the committee and management from and against loss or damage sustained by you by reason of any claims made by and of my executors, administrators and assignees. Also I hereby release the right, title and claim of any photographs that may be taken by the management for their use. I certify that I know the rules and the aforementioned competition and agree to abide by them. The undersigned has read the foregoing release carefully and fully understands the meaning and effects of the same.

Date: _____

Canada
Province of _____

Declaration:

I, _____, do solemnly declare that I am the person named in
(Name of Applicant)

the foregoing instrument, and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act.

Declared at: _____

In the Province of _____ this _____ day of _____, _____.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Witness Signature: _____

Name of Witness – Print: _____

MRLBG Acknowledgement and Release

This is an assumption of risk and release of liability. By becoming Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold, you (Applicant) are agreeing to assume certain risks and to release the Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Competition, the Leduc Royalty Committee, the Leduc Black Gold Pro Rodeo & Exhibition Association, the Canadian Professional Rodeo Association (C.P.R.A.), the City of Leduc and other parties from liability.

PLEASE READ THIS PROVISION CAREFULLY.

Applicant acknowledges and agrees that if she is selected as Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold, she will be bound by the Rules and Regulations governing the provisions of the Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Agreement and by the following assumptions of risk and release of liability.

Applicant acknowledges that rodeos generally are dangerous activities by their inherent nature and that participants in a rodeo in areas to which access to the general public is restricted (including, without limitation, the rodeo arena, chutes, pens and other areas reserved for and intended for use or access by the rodeo participants or otherwise restricted to the general public) exposes the participant to substantial and serious hazards and risk of property damage, personal injury and/or death. Applicant acknowledges that her participation in C.P.R.A. sanctioned rodeos and in other activities as Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold, such as (but not limited to) parades and public appearances, (collectively the "Activities") likewise involved and may expose property damage, personal injury and/or death. Applicant, in consideration of being permitted to participate in the activities in any capacity, does by such participation agree to assume such hazards and risk as does thereby discharge, waive, and release the Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Competition, the Leduc Royalty Committee, the Leduc Black Gold Pro Rodeo & Exhibition Association, the C.P.R.A., C.P.R.A. properties, the City of Leduc and any other organization, conduct, sponsoring and/or performance of the subject rodeo (and such persons' or entities' affiliated, related or subsidiary companies and their respective officers, directors, employees, and agents) from all claims, demands, and liabilities for any and all property damage, personal injury and/or death or other responsibilities are occasioned by the negligence of the parties so released by such Applicants, by the hazards and risks so assumed by such Applicant, or otherwise. Such Applicant shall not now or any time in the future, directly or indirectly, commence or prosecute any action, suit or other proceeding against the parties so released arising out of, or related to, the claims, demands, liabilities and other responsibilities so discharged, waived and released by such Applicant. The undertakings and covenants of the foregoing provisions shall be binding upon each Applicant, her spouse, heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns.

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Applicant)

(Name of Witness – Print)

(Name of Applicant – Print)

(Date)

(Date)

Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Competition Agreement Rules and Regulations (include but are not limited to the following)

1. Eligibility Rules

- 1.1 Applicants must be a person who has her principal place of residence within a reasonable radius of the City of Leduc area; priority will be given to those within 75km of Leduc.
 - 1.1.1 The decision of who has, and who has not, her principal place of residence in this area, is solely on the Leduc Royalty Committee.
- 1.2 Applicants must have access to a horse, and have a horse available for herself during the competition and for her reign as queen. It is the responsibility of the applicant to arrange trailering of her horse to and from events, unless previously arranged prior with the Leduc Royalty Committee.
- 1.3 Applicants cannot enter another rodeo queen contest, or hold another rodeo queen title, while she runs for, or holds the reigning title of Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold*.

**Current Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold title holders may be eligible to run for Miss Rodeo Canada while still holding a current Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold title, at the sole discretion of the Leduc Rodeo Royalty Committee.*

2. Primary Pageant Rules

- 2.1 MRLBG Pageant participants will attend all Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold events.
- 2.2 MRLBG Pageant participants will decline all personal invitations during the pageant.
- 2.3 MRLBG Pageant participants will abide by all official pageant directives.
- 2.4 All Judges decisions are FINAL.

3. Personal Conduct

- 3.1 MRLBG Pageant participants will not consume any alcohol, smoke, or partake of any illegal drugs during the pageant.
- 3.2 MRLBG Pageant participants are in a demanding position but their conduct must never be compromised for they are ambassadors for the sport of professional rodeo, the Leduc Black Gold Pro Rodeo & Exhibition Association and the City of Leduc
- 3.3 MRLBG Pageant participants must maintain a professional demeanor at all times by being respectful to all those with whom they come into contact.
- 3.4 MRLBG Pageant participants & Reigning Royalty must be aware of and conform to all MRLBG Dress Codes
 - 3.4.1 The MRLBG dress code mandatory requirements include, but are not limited to: long sleeves; western jeans; felt hat.

4. General Rules

- 4.1 MRLBG pageant participants are required to provide their own wardrobes during the Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold pageant.
- 4.2 MRLBG pageant participants are to provide their own transportation to and from all pageant events.

4.3 The Leduc Royalty Committee must approve all appearances by a MRLBG Competition Applicant or the reigning 2017 titleholder, prior to an event.

4.4 MRLBG competition participants are in the public eye and must be aware of statements, pictures, and other posts on social media networks, such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc. All participants must provide full viewing access of their account profiles to the Leduc Royalty Committee.

4.5 MRLBG is a volunteer, unpaid, position with a commitment of at least one full year. Financial ability and expectations are up to each applicant outside of the budget allotted to the reigning royalty.

As a Miss Rodeo Leduc Black Gold Pageant Applicant, I have read, acknowledge and will abide by the above rules and regulations.

(Signature of Applicant)

Name of Applicant

Witness

Date

APPENDICES

Criminal Offence Definitions

Definitions: For the purpose of the Eligibility Rules, the following definitions of a criminal offence apply:

- ❖ “guilty” in relation to a plea or a finding, includes an absolute or conditional discharge;
- ❖ “offence” means:
 - a) a summary conviction or indictable offence under the Criminal Code (Canada);
 - b) a misdemeanor or felony under the criminal legislation of Canada or of any province or territory of Canada;
 - c) an offence under the criminal legislation of any other jurisdiction;
 - d) a quasi-criminal offence, for example under the Income Tax Act (Canada) or the tax legislation of any jurisdiction; the immigration legislation of any jurisdiction; or the securities legislation of any jurisdiction;

and excludes

- e) an offence for which a pardon has been granted and has not been revoked under the Criminal Records Act (Canada) or the comparable legislation of any other jurisdiction, and;
- f) an offence which is an offence only under the motor vehicles legislation of any jurisdiction

NOTE: With the expectation of offences under the Young Offender Act (Canada) or its predecessor, the granting of a Pardon with respect to an offence is not automatic, but must be formally applied for and granted to the offender pursuant to the Criminal Records Act (Canada). Therefore, it is not considered appropriate to omit reference to an offence under any statute other than the Young Offenders Act (Canada) or its predecessor on the basis of an assumption that a Pardon of the offence is automatic after a given period of time.