



## **Application for 2024 NMAHA Royalty**

Welcome to the Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association Royalty Program. We are proud to offer this program to our members and are excited about the upcoming year. Please read the following carefully, and return application to the Royalty Advisor no later than May 15, 2023. If any questions should arise during the Royalty Contest, please contact Jaime Liestman at 320-434-0273 or [jimmyjune1@hotmail.com](mailto:jimmyjune1@hotmail.com)

*NOTE: If there are any changes, postponements or cancellations at any time during the contest or the reigning year, they will be announced via the NMAHA website, the NMAHA Facebook page and/or email.*

### **2024 NMAHA Royalty Guidelines and Rules**

#### **Qualifications**

- Each NMAHA Royalty member is being chosen to represent and be an ambassador for the Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association.
- Candidate must be a member of AHA with designated club of Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association the year of the contest, as well as the year of their title. ***Current membership card to accompany Royalty Application.***
- Queen candidate must be a member of Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association for at least two (2) years prior to the reigning year before she can be eligible to compete.
- Age of the contestant will be determined by their age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the reigning year.

#### **Categories of Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association**

***\*General ages are listed, but are subject to change according to the number of contestants.\****

***\*Depending on contestants, there will be no age limit for the title of Queen.***

***This will be up to the discretion of the Royalty Advisor***

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| Queen     | 18- Over | Sweetheart | 8 & Under  |
| Jr. Queen | 14-17    | Prince     | 14 & Over  |
| Princess  | 9-13     | Duke       | 13 & Under |

- Royalty members must volunteer a minimum of 4 hours at one of the NMAHA Shows (can be divided between shows). These jobs and tasks may include, but not limited to, answering questions about NMAHA, presenting awards, running errands for show management, assisting with gates, etc.
- Participate in one Royalty Ride, preferably at the NMAHA Show in June (Royalty Member does not have to be the owner of the horse).
- Assist a representative from NMAHA with sponsorship efforts for one of the two NMAHA Shows.
- NMAHA Queen is to write three articles for the NMAHA Newsletter
  1. Introduction of oneself at the beginning of your reign (Jan/Feb issue).
  2. About your activities as NMAHA Queen (Jul/Aug issue).
  3. Farwell as NMAHA Queen (Dec issue).
- NMAHA Royalty title holders are to write two articles for the NMAHA Newsletter
  1. Introduction of oneself at the beginning of your reign (Jan/Feb issue).
  2. Farwell as Royalty Member (Dec issue).
- NMAHA Queen must attend a minimum of three (3) Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association meetings during the reigning year.
- NMAHA Jr. Queen, NMAHA Princess and NMAHA Prince must attend a minimum of two (2) Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association meetings during the reigning year.
- NMAHA Sweetheart and NMAHA Duke must attend a minimum of one (1) Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association meeting during the reigning year.

### Competition for Queen

1. Must complete the Royalty Contest Application
2. Horsemanship, at any official horse show (excluding 4-H and Fun Shows) with an Arabian Type horse during the contest year. Choose a Showmanship, Horsemanship, Equitation including Walk Trot, for your age division. Scoring is determined by the placing on the judge's card for the class.  
**Show name, location, judge name(s), class name and placing(s) need to be provided to the Royalty Advisor no later than October 1<sup>st</sup> of the contest year.**
3. Speech
4. Written Exam
5. Essay
6. Personal Interview, to take place by one NMAHA member and one non-NMAHA member (depending on the number of candidates competing).
7. Secret Judging

### Competition for Royalty

1. Must complete the Royalty Contest Application
2. Horsemanship, at any official horse show (excluding 4-H and Fun Shows) with an Arabian Type horse during the contest year. Choose a Showmanship, Horsemanship, Equitation including Walk Trot or Lead Line, for your age division. Scoring is determined by the placing on the judge's card for the class.  
**Show name, location, judge name(s), class name and placing(s) need to be provided to the Royalty Advisor no later than October 1<sup>st</sup> of the contest year.**
3. Written Exam, candidates 8 years old and younger may have an adult present to assist with the reading of the questions.
4. May be asked to write an essay
5. Personal Interview, to take place by one NMAHA member and one non-NMAHA member (depending on the number of candidates competing).
6. Secret Judging

***\*If a contestant does not meet all of the requirements for the competition, they will forfeit the possibility of receiving a title.***

### Upon Receiving a Royalty Title

- Each female title holder will be given a sash and each male title holder will be given a baseball cap with their title and year of their reign to keep.
- Each title holder will be given a shirt to be worn at different functions, to keep.
- Each female title holder will be allowed the use of two (2) crowns---(1) Tiara & (1) Hat Crown, to use throughout her reign. Any alteration to the crown(s) must be approved by the Royalty advisor(s), or else a charge for the full price of the crown(s) will be assessed.
- If any damage has been inflicted upon a crown (i.e a rhinestone falling out, bending, etc.) contact a Royalty Advisor as soon as possible so the correct repairs can be made before further damage occurs.
- Crowns are to be returned to the Royalty Advisor at the meeting prior to the crowning of the next years royalty, unless other arrangements have been made.
- If a NMAHA Royalty title holder holds another Royalty title within another breed association or club, it is under the discretion of the NMAHA Royalty Chairperson(s) whether that member should continue that title position for the remainder of the year. This is to avoid confusion among interested members while promoting Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association.
- NMAHA Queen is eligible to compete for WSCA Queen, as long as she meets the requirements of the WSCA Royalty Program.

**\*This application must be postmarked & mailed (or emailed) to:  
Jaime Liestman 61650 320<sup>th</sup> St. Litchfield, MN 55355, by *May 15, 2023***

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

School Activities/Awards, Hobbies and Special Honors:

Horse Activities/Awards and Involvement with NMAHA:

*I am a NMAHA member and have read and understood the contents of this application including the approved guidelines, and will adhere to all rules during the contest for the NMAHA Royalty.*

Royalty Contestant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_

*I hereby give permission to the above person to be a contestant for the 2024 NMAHA Royalty. I have read and understood the contents of this application including the approved guidelines, the NMAHA Royalty. \*Only required if applicant is under the age of 18 years.*

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_