

NVSC Royalty Contest Rules

Note: These are in addition to & include all general NVSC club rules

1. Horse and rider combinations must have participated/competed together in at least 2 NVSC shows of the current year.
2. Contestants must have been a NVSC member 6 months prior to the royalty contest.
3. Contestant must live within 100 miles radius of the NVSC arena (exceptions may be determined by the NVSC show committee.)
4. Contestants must complete and turn in their Royalty Contest registration form and questionnaire to a NVSC Board member by September 1st of the contest year they are competing in. These must be signed by a parent or guardian if the contestant is under the age of 18. Forms are available on the website & at all NVSC shows.
5. Individual contestants for Jr. & Sr. Queen & King must serve at least 3 verified club hours at NVSC shows or at the NVSC arena conducting community service (Concessions, trash pickup, lawn care, weeding, etc.). These do *not* include family member service hours. Credit hour forms must be completed and verified by another club member other than a family member.
6. Individual contestants for Prince & Princess must serve 2 verified club hours at NVSC shows, or at the NVSC arena conducting community service (Concessions, trash pickup, lawn care, weeding, etc.). These do *not* include family member service hours. Credit hour forms must be completed and verified by another club member other than a family member.
7. Individual contestants for Jr. & Sr. Queen & King must attend and contribute at least 3 NVSC Club or Committee meetings during the previous 12 months.
8. Contestants for Prince & Princess will not be required to attend meetings.
9. Contestants must wear long sleeve white shirts, dark pants & boots. Queen and King contestants must wear hats or helmets. Prince & Princess contestants are required to wear helmets. Western attire is acceptable.
10. Age is determined as of January first of the contest year. Classes are divided as follows:
 - Queen & King - Ages 16-26
 - Junior Queen/King - Ages 10-15
 - Prince & Princess - Ages 9 and under

***Winners may not serve in two consecutive terms*

***Should there not be a contestant for an individual position, that position will be offered to the previous holder, should they still meet the age requirement AND if they have not already served more than 1 year.*

11. Duties of the King & Queen include representing the NVSC at the following events:
- Compete in the Iowa State Fair Royalty Contest
 - Participate in the New Virginia Old Settlers Day Event & Parade
 - Attend at least 4 NVSC Shows
 - Attend at least 3 NVSC meetings or committee meetings
 - Attend the NVSC annual banquet (during this year and for the passing of the title the following year.)
 - Participate in the Iowa Horse Fair
 - Reining Royalty should make every attempt to attend all club functions, in their Royalty attire and should always represent the NVSC in a positive manner.

***Title holders are encouraged to attend events at other saddle clubs, etc. to promote and represent the NVSC.*

***Any fees associated with representation of the NVSC at the Iowa State Fair may be paid by the NVSC club. Pre-approval is required.*

***Should these duties not be met, the King or Queen will be asked to step down from their position and an alternate will be chosen by the board from the list of candidates from the same Royalty Contest. Emergency exceptions may be made by the NVSC Board should they arise.*

12. Royalty contestants will compete during a break in the regular September show. They will be judged in a Royalty Salute Ride and Stop around the arena by the appointed show judge.
13. Any dispute in the Royalty Contest should be brought to the attention of the NVSC Board and/or show committee to be handled appropriately.

