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# TCAFAS Royalty Rules of Conduct

**Qualities of TCAFAS Royalty:**

Royalty are Representatives of the Teller County Association of Fairs And Shows (TCAFAS) and will promote the association using western heritage. As an official TCAFAS representative one will act, speak, and dress the part of being royalty while representing the association or while in public.

The winners will receive a crown and sash that is theirs to keep after their reign, a crown that will be passed on from year to year, and a buckle upon the completion of their duties.

The term serves as TCAFAS Royalty will start the Saturday night you are crowned, until the following years royalty is crowned.

**Basic Requirements:**

* + Must be a natural born female.
  + Must live in or have a home of record in Teller County or be registered in Teller County 4H or enrolled in a Teller County school district, and have not held the title before.
  + Royalty must be single, never married or publicly engaged, not pregnant or become pregnant during the reign.
  + Must not cohabitate with a significant other while trying out to become or as a member of the Teller County Royalty.
  + Age requirements for Royalty are as follows: Queen/Lady in waiting ages 15‐20 years of age at the time of tryouts, Princess ages 10‐14 years of age as of January 1 of current year.
  + Must sign the entry application as well as the liability waiver.
  + Must agree to comply with all Royality rules as established by the TCAFAS board with the possibility of disqualification for infractions.
  + Must not have been convicted of any crime or misdemeanor, excluding minor traffic offenses.

**Royality Responsibilities:**

* + As a representative of the Association, it is your responsibility to maintain a positive image while in crown and while in public.
  + Must be on your best behavior in every appearance. **Present a positive attitude** and be willing to help in any way that best promotes the TCAFAS organization.
  + It is strongly suggested that all royalty attend all events set by the royalty coordinator and the TCAFAS Board. Events may include but not limited to parades, rodeos, and the Teller County Fair (see list).
  + If you are unable to attend an event you must contact the coordinator no less than two (2) days prior to the event to get approval for your absences (Sudden illness accepted).
  + The royalty will need to stay at an event until the coordinator or a designated TCAFAS representative has dismissed them.
  + **TCAFAS Crown and Sash will not be used at an event that is not preapproved by the TCAFAS board and/or the Royalty Coordinators. They may also not be used in photos for your social media (Facebook, snapchat, twitter, etc.) unless you have prior approval from the coordinators and /or the TCAFAS board.**

**Conduct:**

* + Professional image and language will be used at all times. Royalty should conduct themselves in a positive manner, especially while in Crown, to include social media pictures and posts.
  + Royality must be prompt to all competitions and events. Tardiness could result in disciplinary actions.
  + While in competition for, or holding the title of TCAFAS Royality, there will be no slander of the organization. Any notification of an incident or a post that could be embarrassing or slandering the TCAFAS organization or the individual can/will lead to disciplinary actions, up to and including removal of the crown.
  + All complaints or issues are to be referred in writing to the Royality Coordinator and/or TCAFAS board within 24hrs of the issue.
  + Any grievances brought forward will be presented to the board at the next TCAFAS general meeting or at a special meeting depending on the severity and timeframe of the grievance.
  + While in competition for, or holding the title of TCAFAS Royality, language will be professional at all times. Must speak with respect and a positive attitude with **NO CUSSING.**
  + **NO** CHEWING GUM! (While in crown).
  + **NO DRINKING, DRUGS (INCLUDING MARIJUANA), SMOKING, VAPING OR CHEWING TOBACCO WHILE IN COMPETITION FOR OR HOLDING THE TITLE OF TCAFAS ROYALITY.**

**Social Media:**

* + **NO** TEXTING or TALKING on cell phones during an event or while representing the organization (unless it is to the TCAFAS coordinator or a member of the board). There will be no hesitation if asked to surrender your phone.
  + No outward displays of affection on any social media platform.
  + It is strongly recommended to post primarily on TCAFAS platforms and all posts should uphold the values and integrity of the organization.

**Family:**

* + The TCAFAS board welcomes and encourages the presence and support of parents, relatives, and friends of Royalty, but wants everyone to know there is very little unscheduled time during events and competition. All activities, including any free time, will be under the supervision of the TCAFAS coordinator or a member of the board.
  + Visiting time between contestants and friends/family must be limited during tryouts and events. Royality must remain focused on their duties with no presence of a boyfriend/partner while serving at events or in crown.
  + In case of an emergency, the TCAFAS coordinator and the board must be contacted, and the above rules may be waived or altered per the boards decision.
  + At no time will parents, relatives, or friends of any contestant or member of royalty be allowed to interfere with the contests while in crown or at an event. Nor will they be allowed inside during the interview. It is the coordinators job to support and lead the royalty and contestants while they are representing the organization or competing for a position.

**Appearance:**

* + When representing the TCAFAS organization you must wear your Crown, sash, cowboy hat, boots, and colored or **dark** blue jeans (without holes or bling on pockets) with a long sleeve button up shirt.
  + If you have facial piercings, they must be removed during all events representing TCAFAS.
  + Hair and outfits will be coordinated on an event by event basis prior to the event.
  + Boots should be clean and presentable (i.e. polished) when representing TCAFAS.
  + Long sleeved shirts must be tucked in or cinched in with a belt overtop.

**Horse:**

* + Ownership of a horse is not required.
  + **Horses will only be ridden if and only if all Royalty are able to, and only under the discretion of the Coordinator and TCAFAS board.** Queen and Lady in Waiting are highly recommended to ride in grand entries per the board’s discretion.
  + Must provide your own transportation and if riding a horse it must be safe and controlled at all times.
  + Tack and horse will be clean and presentable at all times.

I have read and understand that I will forfeit my role as Royalty if I **Do Not** abide by this Contract

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**Signature of TCAFAS Royalty Date**