**Warwick Rodeo Queen Quest**

**Code of Conduct 2024**

**GENERAL**

1. I understand that when entering the Warwick Rodeo Queen Quest, if I am successful in being crowned either the Warwick Rodeo Queen or Warwick Rodeo Princess that I must attend a minimum of five (5) events (mandatory: Rodeo Week, hand over night) that would benefit the promotion of the Quest as well as a minimum of two (2) Rodeo Queen Committee meetings. Committee reserves the right to assess the retention of the role.
2. I understand that as a participating entrant of the Warwick Rodeo Queen Quest, I am a representative of the Warwick Show and Rodeo Society Inc. I will conduct myself in such a manner as to suitably represent the Society to the best of my ability.
3. I will conduct myself in an appropriate manner throughout the year of my involvement in the Quest. This always includes behaving in a polite and gracious manner.
4. I will first direct all questions or issues to the Rodeo Queen Quest Co-Coordinators or nominated committee member.
5. When promoting the Rodeo and Campdraft in the community, I will comply with all reasonable requests and directions from the Co-Coordinators and/or appointed committee members.
6. I understand I must participate in all elements of the judging to be eligible for a Title.
7. I understand that all fundraising must be age appropriate. If I am unsure on what is classified as age-appropriate fundraising, I will check with the Co-Coordinators and/or committee members before proceeding with any fundraising event.
8. All judges' decisions are final and no communication or correspondence will be entered into. I will not approach the judges unless asked. I understand that this condition also applies to my parents/guardians/family members/associates and will communicate this condition to them. Feedback on your performance may be sought from the Co-Coordinators only unless expressed otherwise by the judges.
9. I understand that Parents/Guardians and any family members or those closely associated with any entrant of the Quest, will act appropriately, and direct any questions or concerns to the Co-Coordinators and/or committee members.
10. I understand to be eligible to win any title, Queen Entrants are required to fundraise a minimum of $1,000 and Princess Entrants are required to fundraise a minimum of $500. Monies raised at any fundraising event must be banked into the Societies bank account within three (3) days of completion of the fundraising event.
11. If under 18 years of age, my parent/guardian will deliver me to and collect me from the appointed meeting locations and provide emergency contact details for the day to the current the Co-Coordinators or appointed Committee member, together with any special requirements or early leave details (if required).
12. If under 10 years of age, my parent/guardian will accompany me to school promotional visits and the street parade and will ensure I have adequate supervision over the week/weekend of the Rodeo and Campdraft.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCE & PRESENTATION**

1. As an entrant, I will not consume any alcohol at any functions whilst representing the Warwick Show & Rodeo Society Inc. Failure to abide by this may result in action being taken by the committee and/or the Warwick Show & Rodeo Society Management committee. If I wish to enter the licenced/bar area throughout any event after completion of official duties, I must remove Crown and/or sash. Excessive consumption of alcohol is considered not appropriate for an entrant of the WRQQ.
2. I will always take the best of care with my sash (*fair wear and tear excepted*). If my sash is damaged in any way and needs to be replaced, the Co-Coordinators or nominated committee member must be contacted as soon as possible. I understand that my sash must be worn in its original state and no alterations are permitted to be performed on it.
3. I will always take the best of care with my Crown. If my Crown is damaged in any way or lost and needs to be replaced, the Co-Coordinators must be contacted as soon as possible. The replacement of a damaged or lost Crown is the financial responsibility of the title holder (*extenuating circumstances considered*), and I will coordinate with the Co-Coordinators or appointed committee member to arrange for its replacement. I understand that my Crown must be worn in its original state and no alterations are permitted to be performed on it.
4. I acknowledge that the Rodeo Queen Quest Committee requires that all dresses and skirts must be no shorter than knee length to ensure the modesty of entrant.

**HORSEMANSHIP & HORSE PRESENTATION**

1. I will always present myself and my horse in a neat and well-groomed manner. The horse will always be handled appropriately. Any display of anger or aggression when handling a horse will not be acceptable. Entrants are not permitted to ride stallions. Entrants under the age of 18 years will, at all times, wear a helmet whilst on horseback.
2. As an entrant, I understand that it is my sole responsibility to ensure that I have a suitable horse available for the Horsemanship Judging. As a Rodeo Queen and/or Princess Entrant, I understand that it is my sole responsibility to ensure that I also have a suitable horse available for all Grand Entries, Presentations and Street parade throughout the entire Rodeo and Campdraft week to fulfil my role and duties. I further understand that the committee shall not be responsible to locate or supply a horse for any part of the horsemanship judging or Rodeo and Campdraft Week.

**SOCIAL MEDIA, PUBLIC PROMOTIONS & COMMUNICATIONS**

1. I will always act responsibly and in the best interests of the Society when using social media ie Facebook, X ( formerly Twitter), Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok etc. I understand that social media is a public forum and open to public access, and I will not use inappropriate language, make derogatory, abusive or harassing remarks, or make any comments that may be deemed inappropriate by the committee. If any post/comment on social media is deemed to be inappropriate, the committee will demand that the post be removed immediately. The Warwick Show and Rodeo Society Inc. will not tolerate any offensive or inappropriate behaviour. I understand that parents/guardians/family members are also bound by this condition. I undertake to inform my parents/guardians/family members of this condition. The Rodeo Queen Committee and Management Committee reserves the right to remove any title and prizes awarded if an entrant fails to abide by this condition.
2. I understand that as a representative of the Warwick Rodeo Queen Quest and Warwick Show and Rodeo Society Inc. I may be observed in my private capacity outside of events, on Social Media and within the Community whilst not on official duties. I understand that this is unavoidable at times. The Queen Quest Committee will endeavour to support the Queen Quest participants to be able to live and socialise freely without public scrutiny, however the committee requests that all attempts are made by participants to ensure there is no inappropriate public attention brought upon themselves.
3. I understand that the Queen Committee reserves the right to hold onto my telephone whilst I am performing official duties. Phones will be placed into a secure bag held by my coordinator or nominated committee member whilst I am performing official duties.

I, *(entrant and/or parent/guardian name)* hereby acknowledge that I have read and understood the above Code of Conduct Conditions and declare that I will abide by these conditions throughout the event and year of my associations with the Warwick Rodeo Queen Quest and Warwick Show & Rodeo Society Inc. I also understand that I must abide by the Warwick Show & Rodeo Society Inc. Code of Conduct.

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| Quest Entrant Name: |  | Quest Entrant Signature:  |  | Date: |
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| Parent/Guardian Name: (*if under 18 years*)  |  | Parent/Guardian Signature:(*if under 18 years*)  |  | Date : |

**A copy of this signed Code of Conduct will be provided to the entrant upon submission of forms at the Secretary’s Office.**

Name of Office Staff receiving forms: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_