

# The 2018 MISS MONTANA USA® & the 2018 MISS MONTANA TEEN USA®

This is an official Preliminary to the **2018 MISS USA® Pageant** or **2018 MISS TEEN USA® Pageant** which are independently produced by Pageants NW, a division of NW Productions, LLC. I hereby apply as an entrant in the **2018 MISS MONTANA USA® Pageant** or **2018 MISS MONTANA TEEN USA® Pageant** and I acknowledge and agree as follows:

1. **TEEN:** I will be at least fourteen (14) and under nineteen (19) years of age on **January 1, 2018**.  
**MISS:** I will be at least eighteen (18) and under twenty-seven (27) years of age on **January 1, 2018**.
2. I am not married, have never been married and have never had a marriage annulled. I have never given birth to a child and am not now pregnant nor am I a parent. If any of these conditions change, I will notify my State Director immediately, and I understand that this may affect my eligibility.
3. I have never participated in a previous national MISS USA® Pageant or the MISS TEEN USA® Pageant.
4. I have not and will not participate in any other state pageant preliminary (including District of Columbia) to the **2018 MISS TEEN USA®** Pageant or in another state pageant (including District of Columbia) preliminary to the **2018 MISS USA®** Pageant.
5. I am of good health and moral character.
6. I am recognized legally and medically as a female in the United States. If I was not designated a female at birth, I will provide legal and governmental documents that I have completed my sexual reassignment surgery as well as provide official verification by a licensed physician.
7. I represent that I have not and will not engage in any activities which, if disclosed to the public, would bring, or tend to bring, myself, my state director, the **MISS MONTANA USA® / MISS MONTANA TEEN USA®** Pageants, Pageants NW, NW Productions LLC, IMG Universe LLC dba – The Miss Universe Organization, or any of their subsidiaries, affiliated or related companies into disrepute, ridicule or contempt not limited to, but to include any type of use of illegal drugs, any other illegal behavior or activity, professional or amateur nude or semi-nude dancing or modeling in any sexually oriented business or club, any type of nude or semi-nude photographs or video tapes, prostitution, any felony conviction, probation or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude.
8. I am a female citizen of the United States and at least one of the following is true:
  - (a) I now reside and have resided in my state as my permanent and primary residence for a period of at least (6) months immediately prior to the beginning of my local pageant (although I may have attended a college of university elsewhere); or
  - (b) I have resided in my state as a full-time student at a college or university for one entire semester immediately prior to the beginning of my local pageant, and I am continuing to reside in my area as a full-time student (although I may have spent or be spending the summer in another city or state).
9. I agree that if selected to participate in the MISS USA® Pageant or the MISS TEEN USA® Pageant, I will participate in the Pageant and will abide by all rules and regulations governing that Pageant. If I win the MISS USA® Pageant, then I agree to participate in the MISS UNIVERSE® Pageant and abide by the rules and regulations governing that Pageant.
10. Neither I nor any member of my immediate family is employed by IMG Universe LLC, The Miss Universe Organization, WME, any State Director in the MISS USA®/MISS TEEN USA® Pageant system, or any of their subsidiaries or affiliated or related companies. (IF YOU OR ANY MEMBER OF YOUR IMMEDIATE FAMILY IS EMPLOYED BY ANY OF THE FOREGOING OR ANY FIRM OR CORPORATION CONTROLLED OR AFFILIATED WITH ANY OF THEM, THEN YOU MUST NOTIFY YOUR LOCAL DIRECTOR IMMEDIATELY IN WRITING, SO THAT YOUR ELIGIBILITY MAY BE DETERMINED.)
11. I agree that if I win the title **MISS MONTANA USA® / MISS MONTANA TEEN USA®**, then I will not participate in any pageants during the time that I hold either of those titles, unless authorized in writing by The Miss Universe Organization.
12. I HEREBY RELEASE, UNCONDITIONALLY & FOREVER, ANY CLAIM AGAINST MY LOCAL PAGEANT, PAGEANTS NW, NW PRODUCTIONS LLC, AND/OR IMG UNIVERSE / MISS UNIVERSE ORGANIZATION, THEIR PARENT OR AFFILIATED OR RELATED COMPANIES AND THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, PARTNERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS AND ASSIGNS, WHICH I MAY HAVE BY VIRTUE OF MY PARTICIPATION IN MY LOCAL/STATE PAGEANT OR BY ANY USE OF MY NAME, LIKENESS, VOICE AND/OR BIOGRAPHY IN CONNECTION WITH MY LOCAL/STATE PAGEANT, INCLUDING USE IN ALL PROMOTIONAL AND ADVERTISING MATERIAL.
13. I understand and agree that all issues as to eligibility shall be determined by the **MISS MONTANA USA® / MISS MONTANA TEEN USA® /** Pageants NW or The Miss Universe Organization, and I agree to abide by that determination both as to myself and other applicants.
14. I hereby apply for the entry into the **MISS MONTANA USA® / MISS MONTANA TEEN USA®** Pageant AND the opportunity to compete in the national finals of the MISS USA® / MISS TEEN USA® Pageant.
15. I understand and agree that my acceptance as a state finalist and my continued considerations for the title of **MISS MONTANA USA® / MISS MONTANA TEEN USA®** is under the sole and complete discretion of the State Pageant Director.
16. I understand and agree that if I am selected as the winner, as one of my obligations, I will go to the Host City during the time required for me to appear in the MISS USA® / MISS TEEN USA® Pageant.
17. I understand that if I am selected as the winner, all decisions concerning my preparations for the national pageant are to be made by the State Pageant Director.
18. I agree that the site, date, time, production manner and method of judging of the state contests shall be solely within the direction of the State Pageant Director and the decision of the judges shall be final.
19. I agree to abide by all the rules of the state and national contest.
20. I understand and agree that if I am selected as the winner, all decisions concerning production, promotions, photographs, program, appearances, and all other aspects of the **2018 MISS MONTANA USA® / MISS MONTANA TEEN USA®** Pageant as well as throughout my reign are solely at the discretion of my State Pageant Director.
21. I further agree to permit my photograph, voice recording and name to be used without charge for all publicity and commercial purposes and telecasts of the state and national pageants.
22. I understand and agree that I am free to withdraw from the competition at any time, but under no circumstances will I be entitled to a refund or transfer to another contestant any fee, whether in full or in part, that I, or my sponsors have paid. There will absolutely be no exception to this policy.
23. I agree that, If I am selected as the winner of the pageant, that for one year from the day of the selection, my professional affairs as said winner shall be under the sole and complete management of my State Pageant Director and I will not give any written or verbal endorsement of any mercantile commodity or commercial or charitable organization without obtaining specific written authority from the State Pageant Director.
24. I agree that I will make no appearances whatsoever unless official authorization is granted by the state pageant organization or its agents/personal appearance coordinators. I understand and agree that doing so could result in the loss of my title and return of any and all prizes awarded.
25. I agree that I will not incur, and am not authorized to incur, any debts on behalf of the **MISS MONTANA USA® / MISS MONTANA TEEN USA®** Pageant or Pageants NW.

Failure of the winning contestant to comply with any of the terms, provisions, restrictions or obligations hereof shall at the option of Pageants NW, a subsidiary of NW Productions, LLC and the State Pageant Director shall result in entrant's disqualification, loss of title and return of any and all prizes awarded.

By the signatures below, applicant and the parent / guardian certify that you have read, understand and agree to the rules and regulations as set forth above and that the applicant meets the requirements and will comply with the rules and regulations as stated. Any untrue statement or failure to comply may result in applicant's disqualification.

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Signature of Applicant Date

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Printed Name of Applicant

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Signature of Parent / Guardian (if applicant is under 18 years old) Date

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Printed Name of Parent or Guardian