

RULE VII SELECTION OF MR/MS/MISS/MSTER IGRA

Section 1. Royalty competition must be held in conjunction with Finals Rodeo.

Section 2. Royalty Judge and Alternate Assignment.

A. Random Draw and Assignment

1. The intent is to assure equal representation by all Member and Recognized Associations.
2. The IGRA Vice President in conjunction with the current Outreach/Fundraising/Gender Diversity Committee co-Chairs must conduct the random judge drawings and assignments.
3. The random draw and assignments must be completed no less than one-hundred (100) days prior to the first day of the Royalty Competition.
4. Random draw: (Place all current Member and Recognized Associations acronyms on paper and place into a container)
5. Draw one association at a time, to assign the first judge for each competition segment.
6. Continue the “initial draw” to assign the second judge for each competition segment, and repeat, until all seven (7) Judges have been assigned for all four (4) competition segments.
7. If no associations remain in the container, and judge assignments are not filled, place all paper acronyms back in the container and begin a new “second draw.”
8. If all Judge Assignments have been made, and associations remain, continue the initial draw, and assign as alternate Judge(s).
9. Begin a second draw only after all associations have been assigned from the initial draw.
10. Complete the “second draw” to complete the list of Judges and Alternate Judges.
11. Alternate Judges will move into any vacant Judge Position by order of draw.
12. Vice President must distribute the results of the Judge and Alternate Assignments to the IGRA Board of Directors within five (5) days of the completed draw and assignments.
13. The IGRA Vice President must distribute the List of Judge Assignments and Alternates to the Member Associations no less than ninety (90) days prior to the first day of the Royalty Competition. This notification must include the e-mail address of the Vice President as the only way to respond to assignments, issues or changes.

B. Member Association Judge Submittal.

1. Each association must submit the name of one member filling each judge or alternate judge assignment to the Vice President no less than sixty (60) days prior to the first day of the Royalty competition.
2. Any association unable to submit a name or provide a judge in the initial judges draw will be fined one-hundred dollars (\$100.00) per assignment. These monies shall be designated for distribution to the current year's charity partner.
3. Current IGRA or association royalty are not eligible to serve as judge or alternate judge.
4. Judges/alternate judges may only represent one association assignment per segment.

Section 3. Judge/Alternate Judge Changes.

- A. Each association must submit the name of one member filling each judge or alternate judge assignment to the Vice President no less than sixty (60) days prior to the first day of the Royalty competition.
- B. Any association unable to submit a name or provide a judge in the initial judges draw will be fined one-hundred dollars (\$100.00) per assignment. These monies shall be designated for distribution to the current year's charity partner.
- C. Current IGRA or association royalty are not eligible to serve as judge or alternate judge.
- D. Judges/alternate judges may only represent one association assignment per segment.

Section 4. Submission and Selection of Interview Questions.

- A. The current IGRA Royalty team will compile a pool of twenty-five (25) questions per category (possible 100 questions per contest) and submit them to the Vice President no less than forty-five (45) days prior to the start of the competition.
- B. The Vice President will then recommend twenty (20) questions per category to the Executive Board no later than thirty (30) days prior to the start of the competition for review.
- C. The interview judges for the Royalty contest will meet immediately prior to the start of the interview and select the fifteen (15) questions per category to be asked from the twenty (20) questions approved by the Executive Board.
- D. Questions must be comprised of the following: IGRA history, bylaws and standing rules, rodeo rules, and personal opinion.

Section 5. Competition Category Selection.

- A. Contestants competing for the titles of Mr/Miss/Ms/MsTer IGRA shall compete in the following categories:
 - Interview
 - Western Wear
 - Public Presentation

- B. Contestants will choose to compete in one of the following two categories at the time of application submission:
Horsemanship OR Entertainment
- C. Once application is submitted with category selection, the selection cannot be changed.

Section 6. Registration/Information Packets.

- A. Competition and Registration information will be posted on the IGRA web site at least ninety (90) days prior to the royalty competition by the Vice President. It is the contestant's responsibility to obtain the necessary information about the contest and related Exhibits from the IGRA Web site.
- B. Registration information must include Standing Rule VII, related Exhibits, all available information about the contest, location, important dates, contact information, and relevant information for posting on the IGRA Web site.

Section 7. Contestant Requirements.

- A. All contestants must be the current and official titleholder or 1st runner-up of a Member Association. Each association can send up to two representatives in each category.
- B. All contestants must submit to the IGRA Vice President, along with their royalty application, the following items.
 - 1. At least one high resolution, professional quality portrait photograph. Cell phone pictures, point and shoot selfie pictures, or poorly lit snapshots are not acceptable.
 - 2. A contestant biography of approximately 200 word narrative. A simple list of accomplishments or titles held is not acceptable.
- C. Each contestant competing for the title of Mr./Ms./Miss/MsTer IGRA will be required to compete in a minimum of two (2) sanctioned rodeo events, in different categories, at a single rodeo or volunteer under a certified official for two (2) rodeo days. This requirement must be met no later than sixty (60) days prior to the competition.
- D. Each contestant competing for the title of Mr./Ms./Miss/MsTer IGRA will be required to host a minimum of one (1) fundraising event for IGRA no later than sixty (60) days prior to the competition. A minimum amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) must be raised and is non-refundable. The Member Association's treasurer of each contestant shall forward any monies raised with the IGRA Fundraiser Deposit Form (Exhibit C12) to the IGRA Treasurer.
- E. Each contestant competing for the title of Mr./Ms./Miss/MsTer IGRA will be required to raise a minimum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for a non-profit entity under the laws of and in good standing in the state, province, territory, or other comparable territorial units of other nations during their regional reign. This requirement must be met no later than thirty (30) days prior to the competition.

- F. Contestants must provide a written plan of action consisting of goals for the IGRA Royalty Team. Plans must be turned in with the horsemanship DVDs in sealed envelopes. The Vice President reviews the plans with the competition winners to build the team's final plan of action for the following year. Failure to provide a plan of action will result in a two (2) point deduction from each judge's score sheet in the interview segment.
- G. All entry forms (Exhibit C2), one hundred dollars (\$100.00) non-refundable entry fee, and other required information must be postmarked by a government postal service no less than sixty (60) days prior to the scheduled competition. All forms and documents are to be sent to the IGRA Vice President for verification. The Vice President will then forward entry fees to the IGRA Treasurer.

Section 8. Distribution of Monies.

- A. The one hundred dollars (\$100.00) entry fee from all royalty contestants will be collected in the IGRA Royalty Travel Fund and distributed back to the team members. The total amount collected shall be divided by the number of categories and paid out to the royalty team. The division of funds will be determined by the Vice President. Fifty percent (50%) of the funds will be paid out when his/her individual fundraising obligation has been met and the remaining fifty percent (50%) will be paid out when all requirements have been met by that individual.
- B. The two hundred fifty dollar (\$250.00) minimum raised by all royalty contestants for IGRA will be split as follows: twenty-five percent (25%) to charity, fifty percent (50%) to IGRA, and twenty-five percent (25%) to the IGRA Royalty Travel Fund. The charity or charities will be determined by the Board of Directors, upon recommendation from the current IGRA Royalty Team, at the Annual Convention.

Section 9. Announcements of Winners.

- A. Announcement of Mr./Ms./Miss/MsTer IGRA shall take place after an audit has been completed.
- B. Audit verification shall consist of both the manual and computer tabulation of judging sheets by an audit committee chosen by the current IGRA Royalty Team and the Vice President.
- C. Each category (Mr./Ms./Miss/MsTer) will name a first, second, and third place winner.
- D. The Vice President will ensure that all awards are consistent in design and provided at the competition. Whenever possible, all sashes are to be ordered from the official IGRA vendor. Sash colors will be as follows:
 - 1. Mr./Ms./Miss/MsTer – Black
 - 2. First Runners-Up – Red
 - 3. Second Runners-Up – White
- E. All results of the Mr./Ms./Miss/MsTer competition will become a matter of corporate record. Results shall reflect the order of placement and total scores shall be posted immediately after

announcement of winners. Individual results and judges' sheets shall be mailed to any contestants within thirty (30) days after the competition upon written request to the IGRA Executive Office.

Section 10. If a sash, buckle, or crown is lost, damaged, or stolen, the titleholder must notify the Vice President and must request a replacement at the titleholder's expense.

RULE VIII DUTIES OF MR/MS/MISS/MSTER IGRA

Section 1. IGRA Rodeo and Event Attendance.

- A. Mr./Ms./Miss/MsTer IGRA are required to attend four (4) rodeos and recommended to attend at least one (1) rodeo in each division, Annual Convention, and Finals Rodeo. They must also make every effort to attend the Board of Directors meetings. If they cannot attend, they must notify the Vice President at least thirty (30) days prior to each meeting.
- B. Runners-up must attend at least four (4) rodeos and recommended to attend at least one (1) rodeo in each division and Finals Rodeo. They must also make every effort to attend Annual Convention.
- C. All titleholders must supply a list of the rodeos they plan to attend during their reign to meet attendance requirements within one (1) month of the start of the rodeo year.

Section 2. Fundraising.

- A. Mr./Ms./Miss/MsTer IGRA and their runners-up must raise funds for charity and funds to support IGRA. Funds raised will be available for distribution determined by the Board of Directors upon recommendation from the Royalty Team.
- B. Mr./Ms./Miss/MsTer IGRA must raise a minimum of \$1,500 per person. First runners-up must raise a minimum of \$1,200 per person. Second runners-up must raise a minimum of \$1,000 per person. All minimum fundraising goals must be met within the first six (6) months of the rodeo year.
- C. All titleholders must supply a list of their proposed fundraisers to the Vice President within one (1) month of the start of the rodeo year.
- D. Funds raised must be sent to the Vice President within seven (7) days of the fundraiser along with the IGRA Fundraiser Deposit Form (Exhibit C12). Funds will then be forwarded to the Treasurer for deposit. All monies should be made payable to IGRA. No personal checks will be accepted.

Section 3. Additional Responsibilities.

- A. Mr./Ms./Miss/MsTer IGRA and runners–up must compete or volunteer, in any capacity, at each IGRA–sanctioned rodeo attended to receive complimentary entry and/or hotel accommodations.
- B. Work with Member Associations to further the goals of the Community Outreach/Fundraising/Gender Diversity Committee. This shall be inclusive of, but not limited to, Member Association royalty competitions, volunteering at rodeos, fundraising events, other community event support, and charity contributions.
- C. Responsible for presentation of the traveling IGRA Spirit Stick award to a Member Association each year at the annual royalty competition.
- D. Responsible for ensuring Community Outreach/Fundraising/Gender Diversity information is included on the IGRA Web site.
- E. Any other duties pursuant to Standing Rule VII Selection of Mr./Ms./Miss/MsTer IGRA.

Section 4. Discipline.

- A. The Vice President will discuss with each titleholder their progress towards their rodeo attendance and fundraising goals within the first four (4) months of the rodeo year. If necessary, the Vice President will work with said titleholder to determine a reasonable plan to complete unfulfilled requirements.
- B. If for any reason a current IGRA titleholder or runner–up does not complete the minimum rodeo attendance requirement, the said royalty member will forfeit their step down privileges, except for extenuating circumstances left to the discretion of the Vice President and the current IGRA Royalty Team.
- C. If the minimum financial requirements are not met within the first six (6) months of the year, the Vice President may recommend to the Board of Directors that said royalty member(s) be removed from the team.
- D. Failure to deliver monies within seven (7) days will result in a certified letter from the Vice President requesting the funds immediately. If the money is not received within thirty (30) days of the receipt of the certified letter, the Vice President will file an EPRB complaint against the Royalty Team member.
- E. In the event of a royalty removal vacancy on the current IGRA Royalty Team, runners–up will be moved accordingly. Additional spots will be filled with the next highest–scoring contestant unless no eligible contestants remain. New positions will be recognized at the next IGRA function and therefore be duly included in all official IGRA records.

Section 5. Election Positions.

- A. IGRA titleholders may not hold an elected position on the board of directors of any Member Association where their duties are specific to the management of a royalty program.