



JUDGING ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR PARENTS OF POWERHOUSE ROYALTY

To maintain fairness and avoid conflicts of interest, the following guidelines apply to parents (or immediate family members) of Powerhouse Royalty (NAM State, NAM National, or IJM International) who serve as judges:

DIVISION SEPARATION REQUIREMENT

A parent of Powerhouse Royalty may not judge their own child's age division or **any division immediately adjacent** (above or below) to their child's current competing division.

For example:

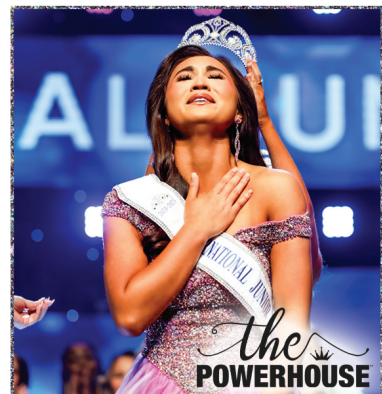
- ♦ If a queen is a **Princess**, their parent may only judge **Pre-Teen and above**.
- ♦ If a queen is a **Pre-Teen**, their parent may only judge **Princess or Teen and Elite**.
- ♦ If a queen is a **Jr. Teen**, their parent may judge **Princess, Pre-Teen or Miss and Elite**.

SIBLING RULE

These same guidelines extend to siblings who compete. *For example*, if you're a parent to a NAM National Queen who is a Jr. Pre-Teen but you also have a daughter in the Jr. Teen division, you would only be eligible to judge the Miss, Elite (NAM), or Ms. (IJM) divisions.

These eligibility rules are designed to preserve the integrity of our competitions while supporting the continued growth, passion, and participation of our community. If you have any questions, please email MT Duvall at mt@theiampowerhouse.com.

Thank you for being a part of the Powerhouse Family!



POWERHOUSE SPECIALTY ELIGIBILITY CASES

As our programs grow and evolve with expanded age ranges, new divisions, and increased sponsorship opportunities, we recognize the need to establish clear, consistent guidelines for individuals with unique roles within the Powerhouse pageant family. The following policies apply to past and current judges, staff, and sponsors who wish to return to competition or who have children competing in our events.

JUDGES RETURNING TO COMPETE FOR THE ELITE (NAM) / MS. (IJM) AGE DIVISION

In November 2024, we announced the introduction of our new Elite Age Division. With this addition, the following eligibility and judging guidelines apply:

- ✦ If you judged at the National Level for the 2024 season of National American Miss (NAM), **you are not eligible** to compete in a NAM State Pageant for one full year. Your earliest eligibility to compete at the state or national level would be in the 2026 season.
- ✦ If you judged at our sister program, International Junior Miss (IJM) Internationals during the 2024–2025 season, **you are eligible** to compete in NAM. Conversely, if you judged NAM in 2024, **you are eligible** to compete in IJM.

COMPETING AFTER JUDGING MOVING FORWARD

Beginning our State 2025 Season, if you judge a NAM State or National Event, you will be ineligible to compete in any NAM State or National competition for two full pageant seasons following your judging assignment. For example, if you judge at any NAM event in 2025, your next season of eligibility to compete would be 2028. The same guidelines applies to IJM judges. If you judge IJM Internationals, you will be ineligible to compete at IJM for two full pageant seasons following your judging assignment.

STAFF RETURNING TO COMPETITION

To ensure fairness and avoid conflicts of interest, we are implementing the following policy for individuals who have worked in any **staff capacity** at NAM events, including paid roles, unpaid roles, and internships:

- ✦ If you have worked at a NAM State or National event, you are ineligible to compete at NAM for three full pageant seasons following your final year of employment.
Example: Staff in 2025 → Eligible to compete again in 2029.
- ✦ If you worked at a NAM event (state or national) in a given year, you cannot compete at IJM during the same season or the following season. You may return to IJM competition in the second season after your staff year.
Example: Staff in 2025 → Sit out 2025–2026 and 2026–2027 → Eligible for IJM in 2027–2028.
- This policy also applies to International Junior Miss: Staff who work IJM Internationals must sit out the current and subsequent NAM seasons, returning to compete at NAM in the second season following their IJM staff year.

SPONSORS AND COMPETITION ELIGIBILITY

We value our sponsors deeply and understand that many are former contestants or parents of current competitors. To ensure transparency and fairness, the following guidelines apply:

- ✦ **Children of sponsors** are permitted to compete. However, if a sponsor's child is competing at a given event:
 - The sponsor may not have any on-site presence, such as a booth, appearance, or promotional setup.
 - Advertising and marketing benefits included as part of their sponsor agreement will be handled at the discretion of the State or National Director.
 - Sponsors may request to pause or defer their sponsorship during the competition season, provided they give clear advance notice.
- ✦ **Sponsors themselves may compete**, with the following conditions:
 - You may not sponsor the same program in which you are actively competing.
Example: If you are competing in IJM, your business may sponsor NAM but not IJM during that season.
 - Sponsorship eligibility is assessed season by season.
 - If you are currently under a signed sponsorship agreement with a State, National, or International Office, you must fulfill the terms of that contract before competing.

These specialty eligibility rules are designed to preserve the integrity of our competitions while supporting the continued growth, passion, and participation of our community. If you are a specialty case and want to verify your or your child's eligibility, please email MT Duvall at mt@theiampowerhouse.com.



JUDGE'S Acknowledgement

Dear Prospective Judge,

Thank you once again for volunteering your time to serve as an Official Judge at our upcoming NAM State Pageant. At National American Miss (NAM), we hold our program to the highest standards and believe in maintaining an environment that is beyond reproach. To ensure fairness and uphold the integrity of our competitions, we ask all judges to carefully review and initial the following statements:

Please initial each statement that applies to you:

_____ I am not related to, nor do I have prior knowledge of, any NAM contestants participating in the events I am scheduled to judge.

_____ I do not have a personal relationship with any NAM contestants participating in the events I am scheduled to judge.

_____ I am not currently interacting or connected with any NAM contestants via social media and will refrain from doing so throughout the NAM 2025 pageant season (which concludes December 1, 2025)

_____ If any contestant or their affiliates attempt to contact me on social media, I will disregard their messages and requests from the date of signing this agreement.

_____ I will not discuss judging techniques, results, or outcomes with any NAM contestant, affiliate, or anyone involved with a competing pageant system.

_____ I have not coached or worked with any NAM contestants I am scheduled to judge within the past five years.

If you are unable to initial and agree to any of the above statements, please explain below and contact the State Director or Judges' Coordinator/Liaison immediately:

By signing below, I affirm that I have answered honestly and disclosed any relevant information. I understand that failure to disclose any prior knowledge of or relationship with NAM contestants will result in immediate dismissal from the judging panel. I also understand that any travel or related expenses incurred on my behalf will become my personal responsibility if I am dismissed from judging.

Potential Judge - Please Print

Potential Judge Signature

Date

NAM Staff Signature

Date

Please fill out both sides of this form.



JUDGE'S Acknowledgement

NATIONAL AMERICAN MISS - STATE PAGEANT JUDGE'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT

National American Miss is a program created for today's girls and women. Our mission is to help girls discover who they are, expand their dreams, and pursue their goals with confidence. We strive to provide an uplifting, educational, and empowering experience for all participants.

Girls ages 4 to 39 have the opportunity to compete in NAM state events across the country, where they can develop confidence, make lifelong friendships, and gain valuable life skills in a positive, encouraging atmosphere. While they may earn awards, prizes, recognition, and trips, our highest priority is ensuring they enjoy a meaningful and inspiring pageant experience..

As a judge for National American Miss, I agree to the following:

- I will prepare in advance by reviewing all judging materials.
- I will arrive at least 30 minutes before each competition and 15 minutes before each judges' orientation.
- I will give every contestant my full attention, enthusiasm, and fair consideration.
- I will score each contestant individually and solely on her performance in each specific event, without considering previous events.
- I will not communicate with other judges during competitions and will avoid any distractions while judging.
- I will not be influenced by others when scoring and will not attempt to influence the scores of fellow judges.
- I will ask thoughtful and respectful questions during interviews, avoiding topics related to race, religion, sex, politics, or questions with "right" or "wrong" answers.
- I will immediately notify the State Director or Judges' Coordinator/Liaison if I realize I have a personal or familial relationship with any contestant in my assigned group that I did not previously disclose.
- I acknowledge that all scoring and feedback must be directed through the NAM office. I will not discuss contestants, scores, or opinions with anyone - including contestants, families, staff, or fellow judges - for a period of five years following the pageant.
- If I plan to compete in the future, I will not judge one level up or one level down from my current division. This helps prevent me from judging and then potentially competing with someone I have judged in the future.
- I will not consume alcohol in public areas of the host hotel or while in the presence of contestants. If I choose to drink, I will do so responsibly, only in my private hotel room or at a location at least five miles from the host hotel, and only after my judging duties for the day are complete.
- I will treat every contestant equally and fairly, without bias based on a contestant's city, region of residence, or race. I understand that this is a state event and all participants are to be considered as equally qualified to participate.
- I will promptly contact the State Director or Judges' Coordinator/Liaison if I have any questions or concerns regarding judging criteria, schedules, or policies.
- I will maintain the confidentiality of all NAM procedures, materials, and internal policies.
- I will not photograph, duplicate, or share any score sheets, paperwork, guidebooks, or proprietary content from the event.

If I must cancel or am dismissed from judging for any reason, I understand that I will be responsible for all related expenses incurred by National American Miss on my behalf.

Additional Judging Guidelines

If you judge a **NAM State Pageant**, you may **not** serve as a judge at **NAM Nationals** within the same calendar year.

If you judge **NAM Nationals**, you are **not** permitted to judge **IJM Internationals** in that same competition season.

It **is permissible** to judge both a **NAM State Pageant** and the **IJM International Pageant** in the same season.

Regarding Our New Elite Age Division and Competing After Judging

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Competing After Judging Moving Forward

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Potential Judge's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name (please print): _____ E-mail Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Phone/Cell: _____

NAM Staff Signature: _____ Date: _____