

2026
Madras Saddle and Gaming Club
Pageant Rules and Requirements

- Madras Saddle and Gaming Club (MSGC) Queen contestants must be between the ages of 10 and 15 (by January 1st, 2026). The contestant must be a current, paid member in good standing with MSGC for the 2025 season and purchase a 2026 membership. They must be single and unmarried, have not had or have children and not be pregnant at the time of tryouts and must remain so during their reign.
- Contestants must be able to furnish their own horse or have a written lease/use agreement for the use of a horse suitable for the activities that you will be asked to participate in for the entire reign. The horse used for the contest should be used the entire year, unless sickness or injury requires substitution, then approval of the Court Advisor must be obtained. Horses must be healthy, with current vaccinations and worming. The horse must be kept clean, trimmed, and shod. No stallions, late term pregnant mares, or mares with foals allowed.
- Must be willing to attend all 2026 MSGC playdays, Jefferson County parades, Jefferson County Fair and Rodeo, Jefferson County Cowdeo, and Jefferson County Fair and Rodeo Queen Coronation.
- Parents/Guardians of the successful MSGC queen contestant will be responsible for funding the expenses of the MSGC queen's reign. This includes but is not limited to the expenses obtained from equine needs, equipment needs, travel, and clothing.
- MSGC will furnish the successful MSGC queen contestant with a stash and belt buckle for their reign. The 2026 MSGC Queen reign will start when the Queen is crowned during the December 2025 Awards/ Annual meeting Banquet to the following Awards Banquet.
- Applicant(s) must be willing to abide by the Queen rules, including responsibility of her horse and transportation, and be available to participate in activities throughout the year. If the Queen does not represent MSGC in a manner deemed acceptable as to fulfilling her duties and/or the Queen is unable to fulfill her term, the MSGC Board and Queen Coordinator will decide if that position shall be filled for the remainder of the term or will remain vacant.
- MSGC Queen will be responsible for assisting with the MSGC board to obtain sponsorships for year end and fair jackpot awards. Business/Company sponsorships will be utilize for club purposes not personal queen expenditures.

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All contestants will participate in the queen contest. The contestants will be judged on appearance, photogenic, personality, and ability to conduct themselves in a professional manner. Two categories will be a big focus in the completion:

- **Personal Interview/Impromptu Questions:** You will be asked a variety of personality questions, MSGC club rule book, MSGC knowledge and current event questions. Your parents, or support team, are welcome to arrive with you; however, they will be asked to remain outside or in another building during the personal interview process. You will be judged on presentation of your answers, appearance, and knowledge of MSGC rules, protocols, event schedules, and contact information. Presentation can be defined as the ability to handle all competition situations with poise and maturity, preparedness for events, self-control and confidence while speaking in public or interacting with others and exhibiting grace and class while being flexible in and out of the public eye.
- **Horsemanship:** The purpose of this category is to select the young lady who rates the highest in Horsemanship– including control of the horse and the way the contestant handles each situation that may occur. Riders will be judged on balance- the ability to sit in a saddle and position of hands, feet, and seat. You will perform a riding pattern announced at tryouts. Ages 10-15 will perform the pattern as well as a run in. Your parents, or support team, can help you prepare for horsemanship; once you are on your horse, they must go into the grandstands to watch the competition and are not allowed to talk to you until the horsemanship portion is completed.

2026 Tentative Tryout Schedule

Tryouts begin at 9:00 AM, Saturday, DATE TBD. Open to the public, except for personal interviews. Please invite your family and friends to attend.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>PUBLIC/CLOSED</u>
Saturday	9:00 PM	Orientation	Public
Saturday	9:30 PM	Horsemanship	Public
Saturday	after Horsemanship	Personal Interview	Closed

2026 Judging Guidelines

You must be prepared to show your best on tryout day. Judges will not take into consideration past experience or knowledge of any contestants. You will be judged solely on your performance **that day**. Judges' objective will be to find a young woman who can ride well, speak to the public, and represent herself as MSGC in a dignified and honorable manner.

Wardrobe/Attire for tryouts:

1. **Personal Interview/Impromptu Questions:** Western attire (dress or western shirt and jeans) appropriate for an interview or appearing at a luncheon or group presentation. Options might be vests or jackets, skirts, slacks (neatly pressed garments are always more professional).
2. **Horsemanship:** Western jeans, western long sleeve shirt, felt hat and boots (neatly pressed garments are always more professional).

Judges will be looking for these attributes in court contestants:

1. **Personal Interviews**
 - Pleasant, friendly, relaxed, poised, sincere, and confident
 - Able to maintain conversation
 - Display self confidence
2. **Appearance**
 - Poise and posture
 - Clean, well-fitting western attire
 - Clean, well-shaped cowboy hat
3. **Horse**
 - Clean, properly fitting tack
 - Responsive to contestant
 - Clean, neat appearance

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4. **Pattern**

- Must be ridden with one (1) hand
- Seat, posture, control and hand placement
- Control, both slow and fast
- Completeness and correctness of pattern

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*Name of Applicant: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Email: _____

*Name of Mother: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

*Name of Father: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

*Name of Horse: _____ Age: _____ Breed: _____

Description: _____

(Please include a signed copy of agreement if horse is leased)

*Do you own your own pickup/trailer: _____ Yes _____ No *If not, who will provide transportation: _____

*Education (highest year completed): _____ School Name: _____

*Scholastic honors and other accomplishments: _____

*Horsemanship skills, experience or training that may be helpful in fulfilling this position, especially participation in parades, rodeos, horse shows, etc.: _____

*Who should we notify in case of an accident, illness or emergency?

Name: _____ Relation: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

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Address: _____

2026 Queen/Parental Code of Conduct

1. **Public Image:** Throughout your court service, you will be acting on behalf of MSGC and all MSGC members and participants. It is important that your conduct and actions, as well as those of your parent(s)/guardian(s), are maintained appropriately, in good faith, and in the best interest of MSGC. You will not only be asked to make public appearances, but you and your parent(s)/guardian(s) must be able to interact with other members of the club and their parent(s)/guardian(s) in a manner that is appropriate, non-confrontational, and in a manner that serves the best interest of MSGC. The MSGC Board of Directors and Queen Coordinator reserves the right to discontinue your service on the court should MSGC, in the MSGC's sole discretion, determine that you and/or your parent's/guardian's behavior is not in the best interest of MSGC. The MSGC Executive Board and Queen Coordinator reserve the right to withdraw a title under various conditions including, but not limited to, if the titleholder engages in behavior that brings into question her honesty, maturity or moral character.
2. **MSGC Equipment:** You will be entrusted by MSGC with certain MSGC equipment, which may include, but is not limited to: flags, chaps, serapes, vehicle magnets, spurs and other similar property. You are solely responsible to maintain, care for, protect, secure and return all such personal property immediately upon the request of the MSGC or otherwise, upon your disassociation as Queen. The MSGC has the right to hold you responsible for any damage, misuse, failure to return, loss, destruction, or theft of any of MSGC property in your possession. In addition, MSGC may purchase, on your behalf, certain property including, but not limited to, hats, shirts, jeans, vests, and similar items which may be of custom fit to you, and therefore, of no other use to the MSGC. Therefore, you expressly understand and agree that you are solely responsible to timely pay MSGC or any third-party vendor for such specialty items, as determined by the MSGC.
3. **Remedies:** As a member and representative of MSGC, you and your parent(s)/guardian(s) warrant, represent, and agree that, should MSGC, in its sole

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discretion, find you or your parent(s)/guardian(s) in violation of: (a) the MSGC'S Code of Conduct; (b) MSGC Rulebook; or any disclosure forms provided to you upon tryouts, MSGC reserves the right to ask you to: (1) immediately step down as the Queen and cease any and all activities on behalf of MSGC; (2) seek any direct and indirect damages related to equipment or other personal property, or your failure to report and turn over MSGC donations, plus interest at the legal rate, until paid; or (3) seek all legal and equitable relief, including an injunction, to refrain you or your parent(s)/guardian(s) from disparaging the public image of MSGC; (4) damages in the amount of \$50 per day for any retention of MSGC property after termination of your association from MSGC and issuance of a ten (10) day letter of demand by MSGC and/or (5) the MSGC's attorneys fees and costs related to the enforcement of such matters.

4. **Assumption of Risk:** By signing below, you understand and agree that there are certain inherent risks associated with activities related to MSGC. These risks include, but are not limited to, the handling, riding, and proximity to rodeo animals, as well as other certain inherent risks that are associated with rodeos/events. You understand and agree to participate in these activities at your own risk and to hold MSGC harmless from any and all actions related to these risks, as well as other damages associated with your voluntary membership as MSGC Queen.
5. **Consideration:** As consideration for MSGC accepting you as the Queen and to act on behalf of MSGC, you and your parent(s)/guardian(s) agree to sign this Code of Conduct Disclaimer. By signing below, you all understand and agree to the terms and conditions of the MSGC Code of Conduct and the MSGC Rulebook, you agree that you are voluntarily signing this disclaimer and have had ample opportunity to review, ask questions, and seek counsel, prior to signing this disclaimer. To the extent that you are a minor, by signing below, your parent(s)/guardian(s) consent, on your behalf, to MSGC Code of Conduct.
6. **Photo Release:** Parents give permission to use approved photographs by MSGC Queen coordinator, for representation of MSGC.

Contestant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Mother: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Father: _____

Date: _____

2026 Social Networking Policy

The following is the Madras Saddle & Gaming Club (MSGC) Social networking policy. The absence of, or lack of explicit reference to a specific internet and/or web site does not limit the extent of the application of this policy. Where no policy or guideline exists, titleholders should use their professional judgment and take the most prudent action possible. Consult with the Queen Coordinator if you are uncertain.

1. Personal blogs should have clear disclaimers that the views expressed by the author in the blog are the author's alone and do not represent the views of MSGC. Be clear and write in first person. Make your writing clear that you are speaking for yourself and not on behalf of MSGC or your title.
2. Information published on your blog(s) should comply with MSGC's confidentiality and disclosure of proprietary data policies. This also applies to comments posted on other blogs, forums, and social networking sites.
3. Be respectful to MSGC, yourself, other title holders, your sponsors, MSGC sponsors, and possible pageant competitors.
4. Social media activities should not interfere with titleholder responsibilities or pageant rules and regulations.
5. Your online presence reflects MSGC and your title as the MSGC Queen. Be aware that your actions captured via images, posts, or comments can reflect that of MSGC and your title as well.
6. Do not reference or site sponsors, other title holders, or rodeos without their express consent.
7. Respect copyright laws, and reference or site sources appropriately. Plagiarism applies online as well.
8. MSGC logos and trademarks may not be used without written consent.
9. Ultimately you should be mature, be ethical, and think before you type or post.
10. The MSGC Executive Board reserves the right to determine if posts are acceptable and within moral standards set forth in the Code of Conduct.

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Violation of this policy can result in disciplinary action, up to and including the removal of the title and crown. The Madras Saddle & Gaming Club Executive Board reserves the right to decide such disciplinary action at any time during your reign.

Contestant Signature: _____ Date: _____
Signature of Mother: _____ Date: _____
Signature of Father: _____ Date: _____

Please include with your application:

- A statement of WHY you want to be the 2026 MSGC Queen (50 words or less please)
- Signed MSGC Queen application
- Signed Code of Conduct
- Signed Social Networking Policy
- 5x7 headshot photo

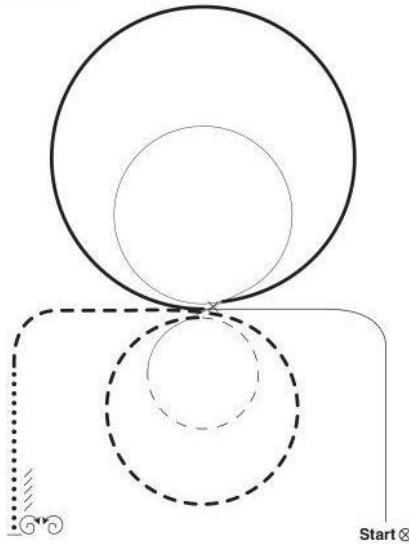
Your application for membership as the MSGC Queen is voluntary and we appreciate the time that you intend to volunteer on behalf of the MSGC. You were previously provided with information regarding the responsibilities of court members and a copy of this Code of Conduct with your MSGC court tryout packet. By signing below, you understand and agree as follows:

Please read all the rules and regulations carefully. If you have questions, feel free to contact the Madras Saddle and Gaming Club board members. Please return your completed application via email, mail or in person. We look forward to getting your application!

APPLICATION DEADLINE: TO BE DETERMINED. Applications sent via mail **MUST** be postmarked by this date. Please mail applications to:

Madras Saddle & Gaming Club
ATTN: Queen Application
Po Box 981
Madras, Or 97741

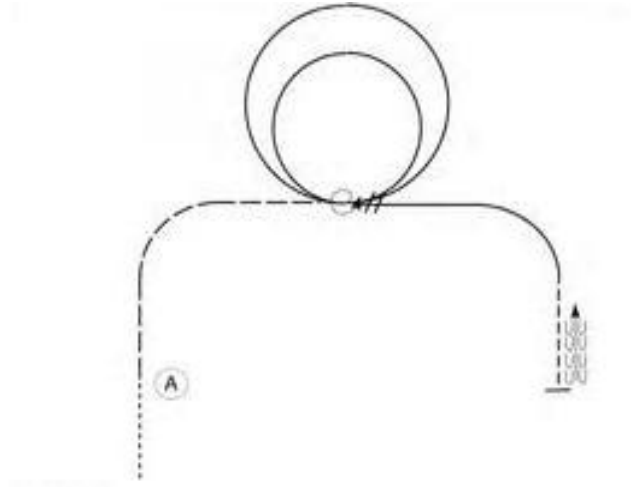
2026 Madras Saddle & Gaming Club Queen Tryout Pattern #1



1. On foot, walk your horse to the starting cone
2. Mount your horse
3. Trot to center and around corner
4. Lope a large circle to the left with speed
5. Lope a smaller, cadenced circle
6. Change leads (may be simple or interrupted lead change)
7. Lope a large circle to the right with speed
8. Lope a smaller, cadenced circle
9. Transition to a trot without losing forward motion
10. Trot through the top of the arc and around the corner
11. Transition to a walk without losing forward motion
12. Stop at cone
13. 360° haunch turn (either way)
14. Back at least 5 steps
15. Exit at a walk

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Queen Tryouts Tryout Pattern #2



1. On foot, walk your horse to A (cone)
2. Mount your horse
3. Trot to center and around corner
4. Lope a large circle to the left with speed
5. Lope a smaller, cadenced circle
6. Change leads (may be simple or interrupted lead change)
7. Lope on the right lead through the top of the arc and around the corner
8. Transition to a trot without losing forward motion
9. Trot until even with A
10. Stop
11. Back at least 5 steps
12. Exit at a walk

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- During your reign as a member of the Madras Saddle and Gaming Club (MSGC) Queen you will be an “Ambassador” for Jefferson County and the club. You will be expected to portray the highest of moral standards at all times. Even when not wearing your crown or banner.
- Members of the MSGC Queen will be expected to uphold the proper image of rodeo royalty. All court members and family members are expected to represent the MSGC in a courteous, professional manner. A POSITIVE ATTITUDE and TEAMWORK IS EXPECTED. Any misconduct, including, but not necessarily limited to, the following will not be tolerated and may be cause for probation, suspension or immediate dismissal and loss of MSGC Queen Title, if the board and/or advisor deems necessary.
 - a. Use of illegal drugs, tobacco of any kind (during appearances), or alcohol
 - b. Foul language
 - c. Inappropriate behavior and inappropriate dress attire (at any time while representing MSGC, Facebook included).
 - d. Attacks or abuse, either physically or verbally, of other court members, family members, fair board members or court advisors
 - e. Abuse or neglect of the member’s horse
- Members must be able to furnish their own horse or have a written lease/use agreement for the use of a horse suitable for the activities that you will be asked to participate in for the entire reign. The horse used for the contest should be used the entire year, unless sickness or injury requires substitution, then approval of the Court Advisor must be obtained. Horses must be healthy, with current vaccinations and worming. The horse must be kept clean, trimmed and/or shod. No stallions, late term pregnant mares, or mares with foals allowed.
- Members are responsible for reliable transportation for themselves and their horse. Travel and/or meal expenses are not reimbursed.
- Clothing and accessories worn by the MSGC queen will be furnished by the parents/guardian out of pocket. The MSGC Board will not be providing funds for court attire or accessories (with the exception of the buckle and sash). Clothing and accessories that the court members wish to purchase must be approved by the court advisor. The court advisor will determine which outfits and accessories will be worn at appearances. All reimbursement requests for approved purchases must be accompanied by a receipt and any unused funds remaining in the court account at the end of the year will remain in the court account.

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- Members must be dressed in the appropriate court outfit (cleaned and pressed), hair curled, and makeup at all court events, as designated by the advisor. Appearance shall reflect being “on the job” at all times, setting an example beyond reproach.
- Members are responsible for the upkeep of their tack and clothing. Horse tack and apparel must be kept in showmanship condition.
- Members must be willing to travel to all MSGC events (playdays, morning races, fair jackpot), Jefferson County parades (Veteran’s Day, 4th of July, Holidays), Jefferson County Fair and Rodeo, and Cowdeo. The Court members may suggest additional appearances and functions to attend but must receive approval. Failure to meet this requirement is subject to dismissal.
- The MSGC Queen shall not attend any functions or act on behalf of the Jefferson County Fair and Rodeo without a chaperone or without the approval of the MSGC Board.
- The Selection Committee, consisting of three judges, will choose one applicant to represent the MSGC as their Queen. The contestant that scores the highest will be named Queen. All contestants will be required to receive a score of at least 70% of the total score possible in order to win the position of Queen.
- Once a member has been chosen as Queen, they are not allowed to try out for the court in subsequent years.

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- If a member is unable to fulfill their position as the representative for Madras Saddle and Gaming Club after being selected, the MSGC board reserves the right to determine if the position will be filled or remain vacant. If a member resigns or is asked to relinquish their title any items purchased for that court member, including the buckle, through fundraising, donations, sponsorship, etc. will be returned to the MSGC Board in its original condition. These items will be returned within 10 days of termination.
- Members must agree to these rules or any rules adopted by the MSGC board, and sign the contract prior to the pageant. The MSGC board has full authority to modify these rules at any time. The MSGC Board have full authority in making final decisions regarding the Court.

Contract

This contract is to be signed prior to tryouts for the 2026 Madras Saddle and Gaming Club Queen. By signing this contract, you agree that, if selected to be on the 2025 Queen, you:

- Have read the above rules in their entirety and do hereby agree to abide by these or additional rules for the entire duration of your reign.
- Understand that violation of any rule may result in probation, suspension or dismissal from the Court, and;
- Release Madras Saddle and Gaming Club from any responsibility for loss, injury, accident, theft, or damage to horse, rider, persons, or property (attached).

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent (if applicable)

Date

Liability Release

I, the undersigned, hereby agree for myself and my heirs to fully and forever release and discharge Jefferson County Fairgrounds and Madras Saddle and Gaming Club thereof from any claims, demands, damages, rights of action of or causes of damage or loss on account of any injuries or damages, or otherwise of every kind and character to me or to other persons or property resulting from or which may result either directly or indirectly from the participation and use of the facilities or equipment of MSGC, operators, directors or employees. I hereby agree that I am using these facilities or equipment at my own risk and I assume full responsibility for such use and for any result thereof. In addition, I/we agree to assume all responsibility and risk from participation in these equine activities. I fully understand that horseback riding is a risk sport and engage in the sport at my own risk. I shall abide by all the rules of the MSGC now in effect or later adopted. And I further agree to hold Madras Saddle and Gaming Club and its directors, managers and employees as well as chaperones and members of the MSGC court free and harmless from all damages or liability for an injury to person, horse or property rising as a result from this participation including attorney and court costs.

Signature (Parent or Guardian if under 21)

Date

Emergency Contact Name

Phone Number

Insurance Company

Policy Number

Physician

Phone Number

Allergies

List medications currently being taken

Additional Medical Information