

MS OKLAHOMA SENIOR AMERICA STANDING RULES



1. Contestants must perform alone. This decision is made to help ready the winning contestant for the National Pageant.
2. During the talent portion contestants may not:
 - a) Have taps on their music tract (if they are tap-dancing for their program)
 - b) Recorded background music may be used if acting or speaking for your talent.
3. It is permissible for contestants to have an accompanist on stage with them, playing an instrument live, rather than using recorded music for their talent presentation.
4. The talent time cannot exceed 2 minutes and 45 seconds. If you exceed the allotted time, each of the judges will deduct three (3) points from your weighted score.
5. Timing of the talent portion of the state pageant will commence the moment:
 - a) The music starts
 - b) The contestant begins to sing, speak, or act.
6. A Ms. Senior State Queen from any state, including Oklahoma, may not re-enter a Ms. Oklahoma Senior America Pageant for five (5) years.
7. The Oklahoma State Queen will have business cards printed with her name, title, year of reign and contact phone number. **All Business cards** must also include the organization name of **Ms. Oklahoma Senior America**, our state Facebook Page - **Ms. Oklahoma Senior America Pageant**, our state website address of www.msoklahomasramerica.org, and the National website address of www.mssenioramericapageant.com
8. Any publicity, promotional flyers, newspaper articles and interviews promoting Ms. Oklahoma Senior America must provide the pageant directors with copies.
9. Standing Rules of the Ms. Oklahoma Senior America Pageant shall be provided to each contestant prior to the pageant.
10. Ms. Oklahoma Senior America Queens may add pins and / or other ornamentation to their sash, which are pageant or state related. *Example: State Queens are allowed to exchange state pins with Queens from other states.*
11. The following trophies or plaques of recognition will be given at each Pageant; **a.** Winner (Queen) **b.** Runners-up One through Four, if there are 8-15 contestants **c.** Runners-up One through Three, if there are 8 or less contestants. **d.** Two Runners up if there are less than 6 contestants. The winning Queen and the First Runner-up will receive sashes. However, all Runners-up will be recognized as "The Queen's Court."
12. Monies raised on behalf of Ms. Senior Oklahoma Pageant must be deposited in the Ms. Senior Oklahoma Foundation Account. This includes monies from fundraisers, donor contributions, media profits & etc. to pay for pageant expenses , airfare, and application fee to the National Competition for the reigning Queen.

By checking the box below, you acknowledge you have read the above-listed rules and agree to them.

☐ I agree.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

(By typing my name above I agree that this is my digital signature)

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS, FEES, AND INFORMATION

Program Book and Website Layout: Your "Head and Shoulders" colored photo will be printed in the Program Book in a layout similar to that shown below.



Once you have submitted this application please mail or email the following:

1. **Proof of Age** (mail or email)
2. **Photo** (email preferred) - The preferred file format for photo files is JPEG (or JPG). This allows the individual who is using the photo to create your BIO in the Pageant Program, more flexibility for needed adjustments to your image such as size, color, and clarity.
3. **Registration fee of \$100** (mail only). Make Checks Payable to: Ms. Senior Oklahoma Foundation
4. **Music file** (email only) for talent presentation. Do not send by text.

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NOTE TO CONTESTANTS: Your color photo, title and brief biography will appear on our website at msoklahomasramerica.org.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Contestant Full Name*: _____

Date of Birth*: _____

Address*: _____

City*: _____

Zip Code*: _____

Home Phone*: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email*: _____

Marital Status*: _____

Husband's Name (if applicable): _____

Number of Children*: _____

Number of Grandchildren*: _____

Number of Great Grandchildren*: _____

EXPERIENCE & LIFE AFTER 60

Organizations / Club Memberships / Special Interest: *(Maximum of 175 characters including spaces)*

Volunteer Work: *(Maximum of 175 characters including spaces)*

Special Interests: *(Maximum of 175 characters including spaces)*

Work Experience: *(Maximum of 175 characters including spaces)*

WHAT HAS YOUR LIFE BEEN LIKE SINCE REACHING THE AGE OF 60?

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EVENING GOWN AND PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE

In the space below, (Maximum of 250 characters including spaces) please provide a brief introduction of yourself to be read by the Master of Ceremonies as you enter the stage to do your Evening Gown and Philosophy of Life presentations. The Emcee will be sure that your phrase of introduction includes your name so that the judges know who you are. Then the Emcee will read the text you provide, as you model your gown. Finally, as you approach the stand microphone to give your Philosophy of Life presentation, the Emcee will thank you for participating and repeat your name.

What you write for your self-introduction should allow the audience to get to know you and may include a **VERY** brief outline of your interests, hobbies, family and so forth. **DO NOT** use the word "I" and do not exceed 250 characters including spaces.

Self-Introduction:

[illegible]

Philosophy of Life Statement: (Maximum of 500 characters including spaces and must be recited by the contestant in no more than 35 seconds. Exceeding the allotted time of 35 seconds will result in point deductions from each judge.)

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TALENT INFORMATION

Brief Description of Talent Presentation *(Time limit / 2 minutes & 45 seconds) (Maximum of 175 characters including spaces)* The Emcee will introduce you by name so that the judges know who you are. The Emcee will then read the text you provide below and finally repeat your name.

Your Name – Please Welcome:

Please provide a brief introduction of yourself below to be read by the MC before you enter the stage to do your Talent presentation. The introduction should tell the audience what you are about to do (recite a poem, sing, play an instrument, dance, lip-synch, etc.) and include the name and author of any poem or music you are using. **DO NOT** use the word "I".
(Maximum of 175 characters including spaces)

Name, composer, publisher of music used in presentation, if any:

Will You Change Clothing for Your Talent Presentation? Yes____ No____ **Please place an “x” by your answer of choice.**

Which of the following will you use? Please choose one of the following by placing an “x” by your choice for accompaniment.

Flash Drive/Google Drive ____

Music File ____

MP3 ____

Live Accompanist ____

None ____

Instrument of Accompanist: _____

Name of Accompanist: _____

TALENT INFORMATION (CONT.)

What is your Preferred style of Microphone? Please choose one of the following by placing an x by your choice of microphone style.

Handheld _____

Clip On _____

Stand Microphone _____

Lavalier _____

Which of the following will you need to display or use, if any, during your talent performance? Please place an “x” by all that apply.

Cocktail Table _____

Chair _____

Piano _____

Screen ____

Easel_____

N/A _____

Other _____ (Describe briefly) _____

Contestant Responsibility regarding the use of props

All performance props must be provided by the contestant, and the contestant is responsible for transportation, set up and breakdown of all props used for performance.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF JUDGING PROCEDURE

INTERVIEW: Judges meet with each contestant individually. Each judge rates the contestant based on personality, charm, conversational skills, and her ability to meet the ideals of Ms. Oklahoma Senior America.

EVENING GOWN (MUST BE FLOOR LENGTH): Contestants are judged on poise, grace, stage presence and the ability to project the "Age of Elegance".

TALENT: This is an integral part of the pageant as it demonstrates that talent does not diminish with age. We encourage talent in arts, dance, vocal, drama, and other creative endeavors. Do not exceed the 2 minutes and 45 second time restriction or 3 points will be deducted from your weighted score.

PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE: Judges may develop an insight into each lady's own inner beauty. Do not exceed the 35 second time restriction or 2 points will be deducted from your weighted score.

If you are the winner in Oklahoma, a director or a past queen will accompany you to the National Finals, also you will have some financial support for the trip.

I understand that this form will be reviewed by the judges of the Ms. Oklahoma Senior America Pageant

By Checking the box, you acknowledge that you have read the Judging Procedure and agree to the above information:

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I Acknowledge

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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