

4TH OF JULY - LITTLE MISS & MR. AND COURT ROYALTY CONTRACT

1. Being selected to the Ashville 4th of July royalty court is a 1 year commitment. Court members are expected to fulfill the entire year's obligation.

Royalty cannot run for or hold any other festival title during their reign. Any 4th of July royalty will be asked to immediately relinquish their title if they enter another festival pageant during the year of their reign (regardless of winning or not).

If royalty member chooses to relinquish their title to compete in another festival's pageant, all expenses incurred by the Ashville Community Men's Club must be reimbursed and all awards (i.e., crown, sash, flowers, trophy, etc.) must be returned.

2. Royalty members give their consent for their photos to be used in publicity of the Ashville 4th of July Celebration including but not limited to brochures, newspaper, website, social media vehicles, etc. Please note, other events are broadcast on live tv or radio and many have various photographers, including individuals filming and taking photos during the parades and on festival grounds. Photos may also be posted on social media by other festival members.
3. The crown and sash shall be worn for all appearances as Ashville 4th of July royalty.

The royalty title (sash and crown) is to be used only to represent the festival. It is not to be loaned to anyone or used as part of a costume. Royalty must wear the tiara/crown/sash they received at crowning. Royalty are not permitted to purchase or wear a different tiara/crown/sash. If the tiara/crown/sash is lost/damaged it must be reported to the Queens Chair and replaced with an identical item at cost of royalty member.

4. Buttons, badges, pins may be worn on the back of the sash. These must be limited to those associated with festivals/events attended or crown pins. Please do not wear pins on your sash that are not related to your reign. Do not make buttons for your sash using the name of any other event. Your title may not be covered in any way.
5. Sashes should be left with the Queens Coordinator following activities on July 4 in order to have names embroidered on them. Sashes may not be embroidered by anyone other than the vendor who made them in order to guarantee proper color, font and name placement.
6. The court shall be well groomed and neat for all functions and appearances. Clothing that is faded, has holes or is torn is not permitted. Court members should wear red, white or blue for appearances.
7. The little royalty is eligible to participate in the following parades:
 - Required (ride on float):
 - July 4th (of year chosen)
 - Circleville Pumpkin Show (float judging & 3 parades – Wed & Thurs only)
 - July 1st & 2nd (of following year)
 - Optional (use own vehicle):
 - Commercial Point Homecoming
 - Deercreek Dam Days

The float will be at the Pumpkin Show for the float judging (Wednesday afternoon at the Fairgrounds) and parades (Wednesday evening, Thursday afternoon and Thursday evening).

For Commercial Point and Deer Creek, littles are eligible to participate in these parades but will need to provide their own transportation and signage. The float will not be in these parades and APMC will not provide transportation, signage or chaperones for these events. If possible, courts should coordinate to ride on 1 vehicle (truck or convertible) at these events.

8. A member of the Ashville 4th of July Celebration Queen's Committee and his wife will be present with the float for the Pumpkin Show event. Chaperones will see that children are loaded and unloaded in the parade area. Parents are asked to make sure children are collected immediately following the float's presence in the parades (even though the entire parade may not be over yet).
9. Children who are crying, misbehaving, fighting, screaming, throwing tantrums, spitting, biting, hitting and otherwise being disruptive will not be permitted to ride on the float/in the parade.
10. Parents, siblings and friends are not permitted to sit or ride on the float or in the tow vehicle.
11. No royalty member from any other event, festival or pageant may ride on the same vehicle/float with any Ashville 4th of July royalty. This applies even if the royalty members are related, regardless of whose vehicle is being used.
12. Only the senior court serves as festival ambassadors to festivals and events. Members of the little courts are not permitted to participate in other festival parades (other than those outlined in #7) or any festival/event luncheons/dinners.
13. Invitations to participate in festivals, events, parades and public appearances must be provided to the Queens Chair for review/consideration/approval.
14. Any actions or statements that are detrimental to the Ashville 4th of July Celebration or the Ashville Community Men's Club will result in the loss of title and prizes. Behavior is considered from the moment of crowning until the close of the next Ashville 4th of July Celebration.
15. Problems/conflicts between royalty members and/or family members must not carry into public appearances/events. If a private resolution cannot be reached the Queen's Chair or Chaperones must be notified. Gossip will not be tolerated.
16. Any royalty member who does not successfully complete his/her reign will not be permitted to compete in the following year's competition.
17. This contract is not all inclusive. Decisions of the Queens Director and/or the Ashville Community Men's Club Board of Directors are final.

We have read and understand the above rules, regulations, and policies and will abide by such.

Royalty Member Name & Title

Parent Signature

Date