

## **Iowa Hereford Princess Qualifications, Rules, and Duties**

### **Qualifications:**

1. Contestant must be a female at birth, least 15 years old and not have reached 22 years of age by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year that she is crowned princess.
2. Must be single, never married, no children.
3. Must be a member of the Iowa Junior Hereford Association and paid to date on dues by April 1<sup>st</sup> of current year.
4. Must be a daughter or granddaughter of an active Iowa Hereford Breeders Association (IHBA) member. Yearly dues must be current, paid to the IHBA Admin. Secretary.

### **Rules:**

1. Must be willing to attend Iowa Hereford Breeders Association and Iowa Junior Hereford Association activities
2. Be in constant communication with the Queen Coordinator.
3. Dress code for Iowa Hereford Princess shall abide by the following code:  
Nice blouse with sleeves and dark denim jeans with no holes or wear spots along with boots, queen banner and tiara. If showing at event, please have a nice shirt to put over your show t-shirt when you have your banner and tiara on. Shorts are NOT worn with banner or tiara. Due to the extreme cold in Iowa it is permissible to wear jeans or pants with a nice blouse/sweater with a blazer and/or nice winter coat. At the Iowa State Fair open show, please wear your official dress. Official dress: *Update, can be a western dress, pant suit or jumpsuit with sleeves will be allowed but no denim material and outfit must be approved by State Queen coordinator before day of show* otherwise a skirt, blouse with sleeves, boots, banner and tiara. Dress or skirt must cover top of boot when sitting, generally 1-3 inches from ground. Make up and jewelry must be conservative and modest. No white, cream, tan, beige, etc. may be worn at national events; this color is reserved for the National Queen.
4. Must be accompanied by one of your parents, grandparents or an adult over 21 at all Hereford Activities. (Your boyfriend is not a chaperone!)
5. The princess will NOT consume alcohol, use tobacco or drugs, or use obscene language while serving in any official capacity as princess.
6. No visible tattoos, no nose jewelry or other visible body piercings with exception of ears. A total of four earrings may be worn.
7. Any deviation from the expected behavior of the princess such as pregnancy, felony violation of the law etc., pictures showing up on social media with you drinking as a minor will result in disqualification from the program.
8. If you have any questions, please contact the State Queen Coordinator.

### **Duties:**

1. Attend Coronation at the Iowa Junior Preview Show
2. Handing out ribbons and awards at the Iowa Junior Preview Show and be in pictures
3. Be active in all Iowa Hereford events.

4. If you attend the Junior National Hereford Expo there is a queen's tea you can attend to socialize with queens and princesses from around the country. Dress code for the tea is: long skirt, nice blouse, boots, banner, and tiara.
5. Attend the Iowa Hereford Show, during the IA state fair, where you will hand out ribbons, awards, and be in pictures. If Queen is not able to attend the 4-H IA State Fair Futurity Steer show, you may be asked to step in.
6. Work a shift with the queen at the Gammon Barn during the Iowa State Fair.
7. As Princess it's optional to attend the Iowa Hereford Tour.
8. Attend the Iowa Beef Expo in February; be present at the Banquet and optional for the sale.
9. Take lots of pictures with winners, exhibitors and enjoy your experience getting to know breeders and enthusiasts from around the country and have fun!!

**Required Events:**

1. Iowa Jr. State Show – June
2. Iowa State Fair –Open Hereford Show & work a shift in Gammon Barn
3. Iowa Beef Expo – Hereford Banquet

**Encouraged Events to attend:**

1. Iowa State Fair – 4-H Futurity Hereford Steer Show, FFA Breeding Hereford Show, 4-H Breeding Show & Ice Cream Social
2. Iowa Hereford Tour
3. Iowa Beef Expo – Hereford Sale