



### *Preliminary Pageant Guidelines*

1. All rules and regulations of the *Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant* apply to all preliminary Gay Pride Pageants.
2. The *Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant* scoring system **MUST** be used for all Preliminary Gay Pride Pageants.
3. Preliminary Pageant promoters must pay \$75.00 entry fee to Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant owner **on the day of their preliminary pageant** for each contestant (winner and first alternate) who advances to Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant. In the event that only one contestant competes in a preliminary pageant, entry fees for two (2) contestants **MUST** still be paid to the state promoter. Cash or money order only, payable to Bromans, Inc. Entry Fee may be paid to current Ohio Gay Pride titleholder if Ohio Gay Pride Promoter is not present. Entry fees will not be returned if your representatives do not compete at Ohio Gay Pride.
4. The current Mr. Ohio Gay Pride must be invited to participate in all Preliminary pageants. A fee of \$75.00 (Seventy-five Dollars) will be paid to Mr. Ohio Gay Pride by the Preliminary promoter.
5. The Preliminary pageant promoter will provide a summary of all pageant scores, including score for each category and total score of all contestants, to the Promoter of Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant on the night of your preliminary pageant. Mr. Ohio Gay Pride will provide you with the appropriate form upon his arrival to your pageant.
6. In the absence of the owner/promoter of Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant System, the current Mr. Ohio Gay Pride titleholder is authorized to make administrative decisions at a Preliminary pageant, if needed, within the rules and regulations of the Ohio Gay Pride Pageant System.

7. Preliminary pageant promoters **cannot appoint** winners to their preliminary pageant to advance to Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant. All contestants in the Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant must have qualified by either winning or placing in a city preliminary pageant.
8. Preliminary Pageant Promoters are not expected to pay for hotel or sleeping accommodations for their contestants as they participate in the Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant. It is up to each individual promoter to decide if they will contribute for accommodations of their contestants.
9. Preliminary Promoters are not expected to pay for hotel or sleeping accommodations for Mr. Ohio Gay Pride as he participates in the city preliminary pageants. Only the appearance fee of \$75.00 (seventy-five dollars) is required to be paid to Mr. Ohio Gay Pride at the time of the city preliminary pageant.
10. **All Preliminary Pageants MUST be scheduled by April 1, 2008. This does not mean that your pageant has to be held by April 1. It simply means that you must have a scheduled date for the preliminary pageant. If you do not have a date for your preliminary pageant, we will offer the pageant to another promoter.**
11. All Preliminary Pageant Promoters **MUST** sign a preliminary pageant contract for **ALL** 2008 Ohio Gay Pride Preliminary Pageants.
12. The Advertised *Cash* Prize Package for each Ohio Gay Pride Preliminary **can not exceed** \$75.00 the night of the pageant and \$75.00 upon giving up the title. If promoters want to give additional cash to your representative(s), you are more than welcome to do so. However, the additional amount that you give will be considered a gift and can not be made to look as part of the prize package. This provides an equal opportunity for all promoters to have as many contestants as possible. We do not want contestants holding out for certain preliminaries just because the cash prize is more than other preliminary pageants. This will give all preliminaries the same advantage as far as cash prizes are concerned. In addition, you are more than welcome to present gift certificates or other gifts to your preliminary representatives.
13. Preliminary promoters may not “sell” their preliminary pageant. Preliminary pageants are contracted to promoters for a period of one (1) year. If you choose not to renew your contract for the following year’s preliminary, the Ohio Gay Pride Pageant owner will offer the preliminary contract to another interested party.
14. All Preliminary pageant promoters must be approved by the Ohio Gay Pride Pageant owner.

15. If you are offering additional cash, benefit shows, bookings, etc. to your qualified contestants in preparation for the Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant, this information must be provided to the contestant in writing and signed by both parties. Please remember that your integrity as a promoter is defined by following through with those things that have been promised to the contestant and this document will protect both promoters and contestants and will make all intentions clear and understandable.
16. Any qualified contestant who does not compete at Mr. Ohio Gay Pride during their year of qualification, must reimburse the amount of the Entry Fee for Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant (\$75.00) to the preliminary promoter within 30 days of the date of Registration for the Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant.
17. Any Preliminary titleholder who does not compete at Mr. Ohio Gay Pride Pageant must return all awards, and all cash prizes to the preliminary promoter within 10 days of the state pageant for which contestant did not compete.