



Ontario Quarter Horse Association Inc.

## **2011 ONTARIO QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION** **OQHA QUEEN CONTRACT**

*This three (3) page document is the only official agreement between the Ontario Quarter Horse Association herein referred to as 'OQHA' and the Ontario Quarter Horse Association OQHA Queen herein referred to as the 'OQHA Queen'.*

*All changes to this agreement must be approved in writing between the OQHA Queen and the OQHA Board of Directors.*

The OQHA Queen must be a current member in good standing of the Ontario Quarter Horse Association and for minimum of one year prior to entering the OQHA Queen Contest. She must also be a resident of Ontario. The OQHA Queen must be between the ages of 18 and 25 years of age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year and not married or divorced or a parent.

An entry fee of \$25.00 will be charged to each contestant for the cost of registration, either to be sent in the form of a cheque or money order, made payable to the Ontario Quarter Horse Association. Applications are to be completed and forwarded along with an 8x10 photo to the OQHA Queen Committee Chairperson by a date determined by the OQHA Queen committee.

All Contestants will partake in a written test (knowledge of the OQHA By-laws and Constitution and the current AQHA rule book). An oral interview conducted by a panel of judges, which will elaborate on the candidates' application. Poise and personality will also be considered; and finally Horsemanship will be judged by AQHA judges or qualified judges. The contestant does not have to ride her own horse, but must use a registered Quarter Horse.

The sores shall be calculated as follows: 40% written test, 40% oral interview and 20% horsemanship. The Candidate with the highest overall percentage score will be crowned the winner.

The OQHA Queen will wear her OQHA sash and crown to all Ontario sanctioned events. Should the OQHA Queen become the Congress OQHA Queen, she will be allowed to wear the Congress sash and crown. At the end of her reign, the OQHA Queen must pass her OQHA crown over to the new OQHA Queen. An OQHA Queen can only represent the OQHA as OQHA Queen for a maximum of two years.

The OQHA Queen must be willing to represent OQHA at as many OQHA sanctioned events as possible including the OQHA All Novice Show, the Ontario Quarter Horse Breeder's Futurity (OQHBF), the AQHA Region 4 Championships, and the OQHA Banquet and Awards dinner. She must be willing to represent OQHA as the OQHA Queen at the All American Quarter Horse Congress Queen Contest in Columbus Ohio and adhere to the Congress Queen rules and eligibility.

It is the responsibility of the OQHA Queen to ensure that she has a suitable mount for the Congress Queen Horsemanship competition.



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All events inviting the OQHA Queen to their functions are responsible for seeing that she is treated in a respectable fashion, ensuring that she has suitable lodging and accommodations if needed.

Expenses for these functions are to be decided upon between the OQHA Queen and the representatives of the function she is attending. The OQHA Queen will report her planned appearances to the OQHA Queen Committee well in advance of the function. The OQHA Queen will ensure that any function that hosts her is properly thanked for their hospitality.

The OQHA will not be responsible for any expenses related to these functions. However, the OQHA will provide the OQHA Queen with a complimentary ticket to the OQHA Banquet and Awards dinner and pay for the OQHA Queen's entry fee for the Congress Queen Contest. The OQHBF will provide the OQHA Queen with shared accommodations with another Futurity committee member, mileage and meal allowance for the Futurity.

Sponsorships, whether in product or monies, are to be reported and / or turned into the OQHA Queen Committee Chair to be passed on to the OQHA board of directors for the purpose of record keeping. The OQHA Queen is responsible for obtaining her own sponsors; all sponsors obtained are first and foremost then considered sponsors of the Ontario Quarter Horse Association, for OQHA is the company for whom the OQHA Queen represents.

All sponsorship cheques are to be payable to the Ontario Quarter Horse Association Inc for auditing purposes. These funds will be reimbursed back to the OQHA Queen for expenses upon forwarding receipts to the OQHA Queen Chairperson. The OQHA Queen's expenses will be reimbursed by OQHA up to the total amount of sponsorship monies received from the OQHA Queen and her designated sponsors.

The OQHA will match the OQHA Queen's sponsorship monies (dollar for dollar) up to a maximum of \$500.00.

The OQHA Queen will ensure that she will where ever possible endorse or use the services of her OQHA Queen Contest Sponsors. She will also ensure that these contest sponsors are properly thanked.

The OQHA will provide the OQHA Queen with promotional materials to help her promote herself and the OQHA at various functions that she attends. The OQHA Queen shall at all times conduct herself in a professional manner and represent her association with dignity and pride.

If for any reason the OQHA Queen is unable to complete or abide by any of these above terms she must immediately report her conflict or situation to the Chair of the OQHA Queen Committee, who will then report to the OQHA Board of Directors, and as such it will then be determined by the OQHA Board of Directors if the OQHA Queen will be allowed to continue her reign as the Ontario Quarter Horse Association OQHA Queen. The OQHA Board of Directors reserves the right to request that all gifts and sponsorship funds bestowed to the OQHA Queen be returned to the association, should her reign be terminated.

All official OQHA Queen; messages, general membership addresses, and documents including her official entry forms for the All American Quarter Horse Congress Queen Contest must be first approved by the OQHA Queen Committee Chair before they are to be submitted or published.



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The OQHA Queen must sign the following *RELEASE FORM*

**RELEASE FORM – ONTARIO QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION QUEEN**

I hereby certify that I release the current OQHA Queen Committee and the Ontario Quarter Horse Association from all responsibility of injury and/or loss to person or property, involving myself or persons related to my appearance in the Congress OQHA Queen Contest and/or any related events or functions, which I attend as OQHA Queen.

I hereby certify that I have read and comprehend the above terms and conditions of my reign as the 2010 Ontario Quarter Horse Association OQHA Queen.

OQHA Queen's  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If under the age of 19, approved and attested by:

Signature of  
Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(This person may not be the same as the witness)

OQHA QUEEN'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please print and sign three (3) copies of this contract. Two to be forwarded to the OQHA Queen Committee Chairperson, where one will be included in the records of the committee, and the other in the official records of the Ontario Quarter Horse Association. The third copy is to be kept for your own records and reference.*



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