

Miss Ocean City Pageant 2025





Application

Full Name: _____

Name for Publicity: _____

(Name for program book and Newspaper)

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Your Phone: _____ Parent's Phone: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Parent's Email: _____

TALENT PRESENTATION

Type of Talent (vocal, dance, piano, etc.) _____

Song Title (if applicable): _____

*** There will be no song duplication for any talent! Talent songs are on a first come, first serve basis.

Deadline: July 5

Conditions for Participation

1. A reigning Miss Ocean City shall be immediately disqualified and shall surrender her title upon the occurrence of any one of the following events or circumstances:
 - a. If she marries.
 - b. If she becomes pregnant.
 - c. If she fails to attend to her duties as prescribed by the City of Ocean City.
 - d. If any improper photos or internet postings appear on any social media.
 - e. If any information is misrepresented in any way.
2. Any disqualification under paragraph 1. (c, d, e) shall be at the sole discretion of the City of Ocean City , whose decision in any matter shall be final.
3. Upon the disqualification of a reigning Miss Ocean City, the title of Miss Ocean City shall transfer to the next available runner-up from that year's pageant in descending order. The order shall be 1st runner-up, 2nd runner-up, etc.

In the event of a disqualification during a pageant year, award monies will be prorated according to the number of days the title was actually held. For example, if the pageant was held on August 15th and Miss Ocean City was disqualified on December 15th, the disqualified titleholder would be entitled to an amount computed as follows: $123 \text{ days} / 365 \text{ days} \times \text{annual top award}$
4. the title was actually held. For example, if the pageant was held on August 15th and Miss Ocean City was disqualified on December 15th, the disqualified titleholder would be entitled to an amount computed as follows: $123 \text{ days} / 365 \text{ days} \times \text{annual top award}$
5. The same principle would apply to anyone moving up in the ranking. For example – a first runner-up who becomes Miss Ocean City on December 15th, would be entitled to an amount computed as follows: $123 \text{ days} / 365 \text{ days} \times \text{annual first runner up award} + 242 \text{ days} / 365 \text{ days} \times \text{annual top award}$
6. Award money will be given out after the necessary paperwork as per governmental guidelines has been processed. Award winners will need to turn in a W-9 form and complete a voucher.
7. The winner of Miss Ocean City will receive half of her winnings at the start of her year. She will receive the rest of her winnings at the end of her year of service.
8. In the event of a disqualification in the pageant year, the disqualified Miss Ocean City shall forfeit any unexpended wardrobe allowance as of the date of her disqualification. The entitlement to any remaining allowance shall transfer to her replacement.
9. Upon disqualification, the disqualified Miss Ocean City will immediately and without hesitation return the crown, crown box and sash to the City of Ocean City, Department of Community Services.
10. The winner of Miss Ocean City 2025 is required to return to Miss Ocean City 2026 to crown her successor. This includes being at all rehearsals and events leading up to the pageant.
11. Miss Ocean City's wardrobe at all events should be family-friendly and her appearance should be professional.
12. Miss Ocean City is expected to serve as an ambassador for Ocean City for an entire year. She is expected to attend most appearances dictated by the City of Ocean City. Absences from appearances are expected if there is a conflict due to health, school, family commitments or work. Additional appearances must be approved by the Pageant Director.
13. All contestants must sign and turn in the social media guidelines agreement.
14. Once someone is crowned Miss Ocean City, they are no longer eligible to compete in the program.
15. The decision of the judges is final. Poor sportsmanship will not be tolerated!

Qualifications

Check all that apply:

- 1. I've attended Ocean City High School within the last 12 months
- 2. I've graduated from Ocean City High School
- 3. My parent(s) own property in Ocean City or in a sending district to Ocean City High School.
Please provide address of the property
- 4. My parent(s) are tax payers of Ocean City or sending district and I attend or attended Ocean City High School.
- 5. I will be at least 16 years old on or before August 1, 2024
- 6. I will not have reached my 21st birthday as of August 10, 2024
- 7. I have reviewed and understand all of the rules and regulations.

In order to qualify as a contestant in this year's pageant, you must have checked at least one box in numbers 1-4 and must have also checked box 5, 6 and 7.

By applying to enter this pageant, I understand the requirements for the Miss Ocean City Pageant and have checked only those qualifications which apply to me as of today. I accept and agree to the conditions specified on the attached sheets. If I am under the age of 18, a parent or legal guardian must sign this application with me.

Signature of contestant: _____

Contestant name (Print): _____

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Name (Print): _____

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Important Info

Pageant

- The pageant will consist of Interview, Swimsuit, Talent, Onstage Question and Evening Gown Competition. There will also be opening and closing production numbers.
- Interviews will be conducted by pageant judges in private and will be 10 minutes long. Wear an outfit you would wear to a job or college interview.
- Swimsuit must be in a solid color and one piece. Contrasting trim is permissible. We will also be adding sarong skirts for the swimsuit competition. Please find a matching/complementing sarong skirt to be approved during rehearsal week.
- Contestants will vote for Miss Congeniality and the chaperones will vote for the Hostess Award.
- A special award will be given to the person who sells the most ads/sponsors for the pageant program book.
- The People's choice will be based on the money raised through fundraising leading up to and the day of the pageant. More information will be covered at Orientation.
- The Talent competition will be judged on talent potential only. Use of fire, knives and glitter are prohibited. Talent should be a minimum of 1 ½ minutes and a maximum of 2 minutes. Judges will deduct points if the performance is longer than two minutes and under the 1 ½ minute minimum. For vocalists, the music must be instrumental ONLY. Instrumentalists are not allowed to use background music. Please email your music to events@ocnj.us Your track should be labeled with your name. Props for talent cannot be larger than a folding chair and must be a usable prop. Stools are allowed. No backdrops. If a prop is going to be used, it must be approved at the first rehearsal; no exceptions.
- All award winners will need to turn in a W-9 tax form and will need to complete an award voucher immediately following the crowning of Miss Ocean City. If you do not turn in a W-9 form and do not complete the voucher after the crowning, you will not receive your award money. Everything needs to be processed by September 1.
- If a contestant, parent or any member of the contestant's party does not conduct himself or herself in an appropriate manner it may result in immediate disqualification of the contestant and removal from the pageant.
- The winner agrees to hold only the title of Miss Ocean City throughout her reign. If the contestant holds another crown and wins Miss Ocean City, she must relinquish the other title to fulfill her commitment as Miss Ocean City.

Pageant Orientation

- July 11 at 5:00 PM at the Ocean City Senior Center (18th and Simpson Ave)
- Arrive ready for individual headshot photos. These will be used in the Pageant Program Book and in pageant publicity.
- Orientation is only open to contestants and should be about an hour.
- Ticket order form and contestant fact sheet are due at orientation

Rehearsals

- All rehearsals are mandatory.
- Monday 8/5, Tuesday 8/6, Wednesday 8/7, rehearsals will be held in the Cafeteria at OCHS.
- Tuesday 8/6 will consist of filming introductions, mock interviews and rehearsal. Please wear an appropriate summer dress/outfit and have hair/makeup done upon arrival. Bring a change of clothes for rehearsal.
- Monday 8/5 and Wednesday 8/7 will be regular rehearsals. Please be sure to send your talent music to events@ocnj.us prior to Monday 8/5. Be prepared to do your talent on Wednesday 8/9.
- Thursday 8/8 is the Baby Parade on the Boardwalk. Report time is 10 AM and the parade starts at 10:30 AM. You will wear your opening number outfit for the parade.
- Thursday evening rehearsal will be at the Music Pier starting at 6 PM. Bring all shoes needed for all phases of competition including opening number.
- Friday 8/9 is a full dress rehearsal from 6 to 10 PM. You must bring your full wardrobe with you, it will be left at the Music Pier overnight to make Saturday morning less stressful as you arrive.
- Parking can sometimes be hard to find, so be prepared with quarters to feed meters, have someone drop you off, or plan to walk to far away!
- All rehearsals are closed, meaning no parents, coaches, friends etc.
- Pageant Day is Saturday 8/10. Report time is TBD.

Contestant Sponsor

A sponsor can be a business, local to Ocean City or not, family, parents, or any individual/group who is willing to sponsor the contestant's entry fee for the pageant. This fee can also be paid online through ocnj.recdesk.com with a Credit Card. Please note on this form if the fee was paid online.

Contestant Name: _____

Sponsor name as it will appear in the program book: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Contact Person: _____

\$150 Check must be attached or must be paid with a Credit Card through ocnj.recdesk.com by July 5, 2023 to be a recognized sponsor.

Checks made payable to: City of Ocean City

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Social Media Guidelines

The Purpose

- Social media is largely about sharing, connecting, helping others and having fun
- Social media is also a valuable resource to learn and contribute
- Social media is more than just Instagram, Facebook, Snapchat, Twitter. It also includes blogs, online networks, etc.

Expectations

- Each individual is responsible for what she posts online. This includes monitoring comments and replies to each post.
- Be respectful to the Miss Ocean City and Ocean City brand. Remember, Ocean City is known as America's Greatest Family Resort.
- Understand that you are legally liable for anything you write or post online.
- Contestants/Miss Ocean City can be appropriately disciplined and/or face legal action for commentary, content, videos, or images that are defamatory, pornographic, proprietary, harassing, slanderous, unlawful, or can create a negative image of Ocean City or the Miss Ocean City title.
- Do not use ethnic slurs, insults, obscenities, etc.
- Do not engage in conduct that would not be acceptable behavior
- Be considerate of others' privacy, religion or political views.
- Do not pick fights or bully.
- Post only when you are thinking clearly, do not post when you are angry or upset.
- Post useful information and act as an ambassador for the Miss Ocean City program and the City of Ocean City.
- Self promotion can be good if done in a honest and humble way.
- Avoid posting negative comments and pictures.
- Remember, posts never go away. Content lives on the internet forever.
- Be sure to set your privacy settings to the appropriate levels.

The Miss Ocean City Committee and the City of Ocean City encourages contestants and title holders to express themselves, let their voices shine and demonstrate their skills and creativity on social media.

I understand the guidelines listed above and agree to adhere as a contestant and potentially as Miss Ocean City. Not following the guidelines can result in disqualification as a contestant and as Miss Ocean City, and lost of award money and prizes.

Signature of contestant: _____ Date: _____

Contestant name (Print): _____

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Name (Print): _____

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Ticket Order Form

Contestant Name: _____

Each contestant receives 2 complimentary tickets

Additional tickets are \$15.00 each

Number of tickets: _____

Total amount enclosed: _____

Seating assignments will be chosen at random.

No tickets will be reserved without payment in full.

We can accept Cash or Check made payable to the City of Ocean City.

No refunds or exchanges

Tickets will be released to the general public on August 2, 2024 via
ocnj.us/boxoffice

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Miss Ocean City Fact Sheet

Full Name: _____

Age as of 8/12/2024: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Hometown: _____

Talent Presentation _____

High School: _____

Year Graduated: _____

College: _____

Field of study/and or degree you are/will be seeking, or any special training you desire:

Hobbies/Extracurricular Activities:

Sports or Fitness Activities:

Community Service Involvement:

Future Ambition:

Sponsor: _____

Miss Ocean City Advertising Form

Crown Level - \$1,000

Includes full page ad, special recognition from stage, two complimentary tickets, and will be listed as an award sponsor in the program book.

Sash Level- \$500

Includes full page ad, special recognition from stage, and two complimentary tickets.

Full Page Ad: \$300

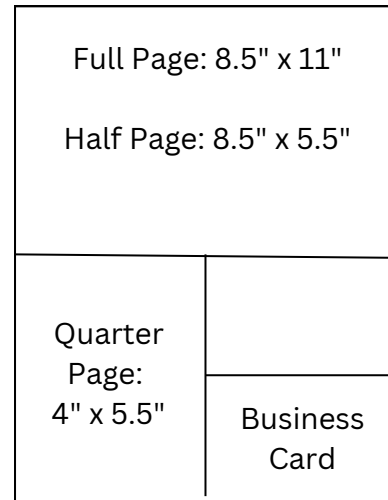
Half Page Ad: \$150

Quarter Page Ad: \$100

Business Card Ad: \$75

Well Wishes: \$30

25 words or less



Contact Name: _____

Business/Organization (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Ad sold by (if applicable): _____

Checks payable to City of Ocean City

Please mail this form and payment to:

861 Asbury Avenue, Room 214 Ocean City, NJ 08226

Email ads to: events@ocnj.us

Ads will not run if they are not paid in full

Deadline for ad submissions and payment is July 22, 2024