



## Miss Orange County Speedway Contest Rules



The Miss Orange County Speedway Program is designed to promote greater public understanding, awareness and interest in Orange County Speedway Racing. Miss Orange County Speedway has a unique opportunity to promote our facility and grassroots racing, as well as an opportunity for personal and professional growth, and development. The Program provides each participant the opportunity to build and enhance confidence in her abilities, poise in her presentations, pride in her accomplishments, skills in communication, knowledge of the racing industry and sportsmanship in accepting success or defeat gracefully. In addition to building skills and relationships, a scholarship is presented to the elected Miss Orange County Speedway, and she will have the opportunity to represent Orange County Speedway for 2010.

This is not a beauty contest. You do not need artistic talent to enter. Entrants will be judged on their ability to communicate (speaking ability), Orange County Speedway History, racing knowledge, promptness, and appearance. Judging will take place prior to the beginning of the 2010 season.

1. Entrant must be a female at least 16 years of age and not over 21 years old by January 1, 2010, be a U.S. Citizen. In addition, she must also meet one of the following criteria:
  - attend/graduated from one of the surrounding school districts
  - or enrolled in community college/university.
2. Be single, have never been married, have not been pregnant nor given birth to a child.
3. You are not permitted to hold any additional title during your reign, for any commodity, group or pageant.
4. Entrants must have their parent or legal guardians' signature on the entry form.
5. Entrants should be able to meet all time commitments, Miss Orange County Speedway obligations and dress code.
6. Be an upstanding citizen and be of good moral character (at the discretion of the Orange County Speedway).
7. Entrants will be required to attend each race, and participate in nightly activities as well as additional promotional events. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, presentation of race awards, interacting with sponsors, racers, and fans.
8. Jeans, t-shirts, crop tops, any clothing advertising something other than Orange County Speedway are not acceptable items to be worn to any event where you are representing the Orange County Speedway (i.e., during races, school visits, etc). Acceptable clothing would be dressy shorts, blouses, dresses, skirts, or dress pants. No item should be revealing in anyway (cut too short [2" past fingertips at sides of body] or too low). Hair style/color should be natural and appropriate. Excessive make-up or jewelry is not permitted, and no body piercing (other than earrings) or tattoos should be visible during any activity.
9. The crowned Miss Orange County Speedway will be required to fulfill additional obligations and appearances found within this document. These obligations may only be waived at the sole discretion of the

Miss Orange County Speedway Coordinator or the Orange County Speedway Management based on valid reasons with advanced notification.

10. A “Zero Tolerance Policy” has been established for the Miss Orange County Speedway Program. The following will be considered violations of the policy and will be grounds for immediate dismissal.

- Illegal types of behavior, such as drug or tobacco product use, alcohol consumption;
- Smoking, by a legal aged person, will only be tolerated in private settings, never in a public location while representing Orange County Speedway;
- Behavior during the races or other related functions that is unbecoming or detrimental to the Miss Orange County Speedway program as determined by the Orange County Speedway Management;
- Unresponsiveness to the requests and contacts of the Orange County Speedway Management;
- Disrespectful behavior of/with others. Boyfriends or significant others should display respectful behavior when accompanying the Miss Orange County Speedway. The general public and the Orange County Speedway Management should be able to believe any male accompanying you is your “family”. Public displays will not be tolerated.
- Clothing or dress that is indecent or inappropriate as set forth in the rules.
- Pregnancy/Marriage;
- Conviction of crime other than minor traffic offense.

Always remember that your actions or appearance portray an image of Orange County Speedway to the public.

11. In the event that the elected Miss Orange County Speedway is unable to fulfill her duties or is dismissed and replaced by the next eligible Ambassador, she will immediately relinquish her title and all privileges and prizes awarded to her. The sash and crown are the property of the Orange County Speedway and will be immediately returned in the same condition as received or reimburse the Orange County Speedway Management in the amount of \$150 for replacement.

12. The scholarship award will be presented following completion of all obligations and upon verification of enrollment from the higher education institution. The entrants may receive a variety of individual prizes.

13. The elected Miss Orange County Speedway is expected to be responsive in a timely fashion to the calls and emails of the Orange County Speedway Management.

The decision of the judge’s and/or Orange County Speedway Management is final. This contest may be cancelled if we have two or less entrants. You will be contacted by phone if this occurs.

Orange County Speedway Management has the discretion of dismissal should any improprieties or negative circumstances occur (see Zero Tolerance). Any dismissed Miss Orange County Speedway will be succeeded by the next eligible Ambassador. Conviction of any crime other than a minor traffic offense shall be cause for immediate dismissal.

## **Judging Guidelines**

Winner receives a \$500 Scholarship upon meeting the following obligations:

Each prospective entrant must complete and submit the Application Form, a 5”x7” photograph and essay. Please read the entry form before filling it out. Entrants should outline what she wants to say on another

piece of paper, then type or print the application. The entry form is used for publicity and the interview, so please complete it neatly. Separate paper may be used if additional space is needed. Write an essay on "What Orange County Speedway means to my Community". Essay must be 300 words or less and submitted with application. The essay will be displayed during the banquet and later judged for content, grammar and spelling.

Entrants will be required to attend the 2009 Orange County Speedway Banquet, December 11th. This social event is designed for meeting the race teams, the Orange County Speedway Management, former Miss Orange County Speedway and other distinguished 'Friends of the Speedway'.

An interview will be held prior to the Orange County Speedway Banquet. For the interview, each entrant will meet alone with the panel of judges for 5-10 minutes. The judges will utilize the information from your application as well as additional questions. You will be judged on your conversational ability, the answers to the judges' questions, your appearance/poise, activities, and knowledge of Orange County Speedway and the racing industry.

NOTE: The outfit for the interview should be appropriate for Miss Orange County Speedway.

### **Miss Orange County Speedway Obligations**

The crowned Miss Orange County Speedway will be required to fulfill additional obligations and appearances as presented below. These obligations may only be waived at the sole discretion of the Orange County Speedway Management based on valid reasons with advanced notification.

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### **Community Activities**

- Attend 2-day Piedmont Racing Exposition held in January. Orange County Speedway will pay the actual lunch and travel expenses of the Miss Orange County Speedway. Any additional attendees will be at their own cost.
- Read books to local daycare/kindergarten students about racing.
- Help create pages for the "Miss Orange County Speedway Scrapbook".
- Attend regional community events, as they are arranged.
- Sponsor support, as requested.
- Help other service clubs with fund raisers, as requested.
- Support regional agricultural businesses by appearances as requested or arranged.
- Participate in the promotion and activities of the 2011 Miss Orange County Speedway Contest.
- Attend the Annual Orange County Speedway Banquet.
- Crown the 2011 Miss Orange County Speedway.

ALL activities will be set up by the Miss Orange County Speedway Coordinator. If you have an additional suggestion please provide the details to the Coordinator.



# Miss Orange County Speedway Registration Form

(use additional pages if needed)

**The deadline for entry is November 25, 2009. Application, essay and photograph must be received by 5 pm.**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Major: \_\_\_\_\_

What are your plans for the future?

What clubs or activities are you involved in at school?

What community/church activities do you participate in?

What hobbies do you enjoy?

Is there anything else you would like to tell us?

**By submission of this application, I hereby acknowledge that I have read the official rules and regulations and that I am complying with them in every way and that the personal data as set forth is correct.**

Contestant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

If contestant is under 18 years of age, Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_