

Miss Black Deaf America Pageant 2007
Eligibility Regulations & Guidelines

ELIBILITY REGULATIONS:

1. The contestant must be single (never married) and must have never given birth and/ or pregnant.
2. The contestant must be between the ages of 18 – 30 on or by the night of the National Pageant.
3. The contestant must have graduated from high school by the night of the National Pageant. However, the contestant may qualify for the BDA Chapter Pageant if she is a high school senior.
4. The contestant must have never been convicted of any crime (other than minor traffic infractions).
5. The contestant must be a citizen of the United States, Deaf and of Africa-American descent.
6. The contestant must be a member of a Black Deaf Advocates Chapter affiliated with the National Black Deaf Advocates and selected by the Chapter through the process of their choice to participate in the Miss Black Deaf America Pageant.
7. The contestant must be in good health to meet the job requirements.

PAGEANT GUIDELINES:

1. An ideal titleholder possesses poise, intelligence, social ability and maturity. The contestant must demonstrate good moral character before, during and after the Miss Black Deaf America Pageant.
2. The contestant must meet the character criteria, time commitment and job responsibilities set by the BDA pageant committee.
3. The contestant must perform her talent routine live (in person) between 3 to 4 minutes. The contestant must provide and is responsible for all of the contestant's props, expenses and other needs for her performance. However, an interpreter will be provided, if needed, for the contestant's act. If the contestant's talent routine exceeds the 4 minutes time limit, the contestant will be disqualified from the Talent Competition.

4. The winner of the Miss Black Deaf America Pageant shall relinquish her BDA Chapter title to the First Runner-up.

5. Failure to adhere to any of these regulations and/or guidelines will disqualify the contestant from the Miss Black Deaf America Pageant.