



**MBU PAGEANTRY SYSTEM**  
**MBU GRAND RULES AND REGULATIONS**

MBU, striving to make a difference in the field of entertainment, has made some changes to better serve you and the industry.

1. Contestants must be males at least 18 years of age and able to show proof of date of birth. Legitimate proof such as driver's license, birth certificate, passport, etc. must be provided to the pageant promoter, if for any reason a contestant's age is at question.
2. Contestants of Miss Black Universe Grand must weight 225lbs or more. Contestants maybe weighed at the National Pageant as well as preliminaries, if for any reason a contestant's weight is in question.
3. MBU formers are NOT allowed to compete for the five (5) years of the competitions establishment date.
4. Contestants will be judged in the following categories:
  - Presentation
  - Sportswear
  - Evening Gown
  - Talent (No more than 5-Minutes)
  - Question & Answer, Top Five
5. Pageant will begin at 7:00pm each night.
6. Judging for preliminaries will be on a total accumulated points system. Final Night will be scored the same for the Top 10 Finalist. Any and all placement ties will be broken by the highest Talent category score. In the event the Talent score is the same; Presentation category score will decide the winner. This rule is the same for placement ties at any preliminary to MBU.
7. Each contestant will be responsible for his/her own make up/hair during Preliminary Night competitions. The use of make-up artists, stylists, and assistants will be allowed for FINAL NIGHT ONLY. Contestants must arrive at the club between 5pm – 5:30pm each preliminary night, (5-points will be deducted after 5:30pm); (All faces must be completely clean and hairpieces must be on wig heads or stands). MBU will provide dressing room attendants to assist in zipping, checking your back views, and escorting to the stage area only.
8. Talent must be NO more than five (5) minutes. After five minutes, the contestant selection will be faded out and that contestant will have five (5) points deducted from his/her total Talent score. All dancers pay general admission fee at door each night.
9. Props may be used during the Talent portion of the pageant. Each contestant using props will be allowed four (4) minutes total to assemble/disassemble his/her prop set. Please have your personal crew on hand to make sure this process is done smoothly.

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10. All contestants must be in attendance to Final Night Rehearsal by 12Noon. Any contestant arriving late will receive a 5-point administrative deduction from their total Preliminary Night scores.
11. Any type of talent presentation is acceptable, except those which may cause injury to the audience and or any other person. No excessive glitter, fire, or water may be used in any talent presentation. No live animals or reptiles included may be used in a talent presentation, unless approved by the board prior to competition. All talent presentations must be on a high quality CD, labeled with your name and contestant number prior to turning in to our staff. Talent CD's must be turned in at the initial registration ONLY! So please bring 2 copies of your talent CD with you.
12. The Official MBU Pageant does not discriminate against entertainers with silicone and/or hormones. The use of silicone and/or hormones will not be considered by any judge in the scoring of contestants.
13. Contestants are responsible for the conduct of his/her dancers, stylists, and assistants. Any unsportsmanlike conduct will result in removal from the competition and/or forfeit of any prize package.
14. The use of, or dispensing illegal drugs or substances will not be tolerated while participating in the Miss Black Universe Grand Pageant. Immediate disqualification will result for any contestant, assistant, or dancer(s) that breaks this rule.
15. Any contestant, contestant dancer(s), helper(s), etc. who is caught in the act of stealing or tampering with another persons' possessions will be immediately disqualified and removed from the location of the pageant.
16. Any contestant whose actions are interpreted as demeaning or belittling to the MBU System or its pageant(s) will be disqualified.
17. The winners of MBU Grand will be required to sign a contract before any prize money is paid. Failure to sign the contract will mean forfeiture of the title.
18. Any contestant in the Top 5, not staying on stage for the entire crowning and picture taking will forfeit their placement and prize money.
19. Within (7) days of winning the contest, MBU Grand must have and maintain a valid e-mail address for the entire length of his or her reign.
20. All judges' decisions are final. MBU Pageants reserve the right to make any decision concerning any matter not covered by these rules and regulations. MBU Pageantry Systems reserve the right to revoke the title of any winner deemed unfit during their reign after a hearing conducted by the National Board Members.

**NOTE:** UNSPORTSMAN LIKE CONDUCT WILL GET A CONTESTANT INSTANTLY DISQUALIFIED FROM THE PAGEANT, WHICH ALSO VOIDS ALL, IF ANY PRIZE MONEY. THIS RULE IS IN EFFECT AT THE NATIONALS AND LEASED PRELIMINARIES.