



Application for Senior Membership

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I hereby make application to become a member of the Ayrshire Breeders' Association. I understand that the charge is \$25 per year, and that I will receive notification yearly for renewal.

In making this application, I agree:

- To accept and abide by the by-laws and rules and regulations of the Ayrshire Breeders' Association as they now exist or may from time to time be amended.
- To register and transfer all animals in the exact name of the membership, if they are to be charged at member's rates.
- That I own one or more registered Ayrshires recorded in my name on the records of the Ayrshire Breeders' Association.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Date Applied: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Signature: _____

Excerpts from rules governing membership:

Section 1. Classes of Membership. The Association has three (3) classes of membership. The designation of the classes and qualifications for each class are as follows:

(a) Active Members. Active members are either natural persons or business entities (partnerships, Subchapter C corporations, limited liability companies, Subchapter S corporations, or non-profit corporations) that own one or more registered Ayrshire cattle, either registered by the owner or transferred to the owner within two (2) years immediately preceding the filing of the owner's application for membership. Only owners of Ayrshire cattle as indicated by the records of the Ayrshire Breeders' Association shall be eligible for membership. To remain an active member, the member must remain in good standing and register or transfer at least one Ayrshire animal within the previous two years.

Each Active Member, whether a natural person or business entity, is entitled to one vote. Each business entity shall include the names of all individuals who are partners, members or shareholders on its application and shall designate one individual to vote on behalf of the business entity at Association meetings. A business entity may periodically change its designated representative in writing, so long as the written designation is presented to the Association secretary prior to the call to order of a legally called meeting of the Association.

(b) Lifetime Members. Persons with Lifetime Memberships in force before July 1, 1986, shall continue to be Lifetime Members. No new Lifetime Memberships will be granted. A Lifetime Member is entitled to one vote.

(c) Junior Members. Junior Member are persons twenty-one years of age or less who own one or more registered Ayrshire(s). Junior Members are entitled to register and transfer Ayrshire cattle at member rates until December 31 of the year of their twenty-first birthday. They shall have all other membership privileges except voting rights. Junior membership automatically expires on December 31 of the year of the member's twenty-first birthday, if not sooner terminated by sale and transfer of all the member's Ayrshire cattle.

Section 2. Membership Application. Any person or business entity qualified for Active or Junior membership may be elected to membership by the Board of Directors upon written application in the form prescribed by the Board of Directors. No person (whether natural or business entity) shall become a member until: (1) the membership fee prescribed by the Board is paid; (2) the person or business entity representative signs a statement agreeing to be bound by the Association's Charter, Bylaws, and Rules & Regulations.

Section 3. Membership Term.

(a) One-year Term. Memberships shall be for a one-year term. A new application need not be made upon expiration of each one-year term, unless the information required has changed. Memberships may be renewed upon payment of the membership fee established by the Board of Directors. Memberships are not transferable.

(b) Membership Ceases with Death, Dissolution. All classes of membership are terminated upon the member's death (or in the case of a business entity, dissolution and winding up of the business), resignation, or expulsion. A natural person's estate may be considered an active member for so long as the estate is being administered or for one year after the member's date of death, whichever occurs first. During that time, the deceased member's personal representative (executor, administrator or trustee) shall have the right to register and transfer animals upon the same terms and conditions as a member would have if living. If for any reason the Estate has not distributed and transferred the Ayrshire cattle the deceased member owned within a year of the member's death, the Board of Directors, at its option, may grant the Estate continued rights to register and transfer animals at member rates.

(c) Resignation. A member in good standing may resign from membership by giving written notice to the Executive Secretary.