

PREFIXES

A breeder of registered Brown Swiss cattle may reserve for his exclusive use a **PREFIX**, which has not been previously reserved by the Association for another breeder. Such **PREFIX** may not be used by any other breeder unless the National Office receives written permission from the owner of the reserved **PREFIX**. The owner's right to the reserved **PREFIX** shall be lost by twenty (20) consecutive years of not using the **PREFIX**. The Association cannot guarantee that parts or all of a **PREFIX** have not been used in the names of animals prior to the time it is reserved.

A **PREFIX** shall be limited to fifteen (15) letter spaces.

A **PREFIX** can be the distinctive part of a farm name, but it cannot be a name that pertains to known and established bloodlines of Brown Swiss cattle.

The words "Swiss" - "Farm" - "Dairy" or "Ranch" cannot be part of any **PREFIX**. Names that are in common usage, such as the barn names of cows, cannot be a part of a **PREFIX**.

Single words that may be used in a combination to form a **PREFIX** cannot be reserved. For example, the word "Maple" which can be used as part of a **PREFIX** such as "Maple Ridge", "Maple Knoll", etc. cannot be reserved.

No duplication of a reserved **PREFIX** shall be permitted; and a slight change of spelling shall not constitute an original **PREFIX**. The Executive Secretary of the Association shall be the authority to reject a **PREFIX** that, in his judgement, is too similar to a previously reserved **PREFIX**, but the applicant shall have the right of appeal to the Board of Directors, whose decision shall be final.

The fee to reserve a **PREFIX** shall be \$20.00.

The **PREFIX** used in naming an animal at the time of registration shall be the **PREFIX** of the person owning the dam at the time of breeding.

RELEASE OF A RESERVED PREFIX

A breeder may give written notice to the Association that he is releasing his reserved **PREFIX** to another breeder, in which case such breeder may then reserve the released **PREFIX** at the regular fee of \$20.00.

APPLICATION TO REGISTER A "PREFIX"

I do hereby apply to have the following "**PREFIX**" reserved for my exclusive use in the name of my animals:

Prefix _____

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

Phone: _____ Date _____

E-mail Address: _____

Signature: _____

**Please send this application (entire sheet) along with \$20.00
to the Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders' Association, 800 Pleasant Street, Beloit, Wisconsin 53511-5456**