



NATIONAL BROWN SWISS ASSOCIATION

2026 Youth Lease Agreement

The Youth Lease program encourages character, knowledge and sense of responsibility; increases participation in Brown Swiss Association programs and offers a unique opportunity for both non-farm and farm youth.

Agreement Guidelines

Recorded Owner of Registered Brown Swiss

Lessee of Registered Brown Swiss

Works with lessee to determine compensation for feed, vet, transportation and misc. expenses	Adheres to agreement with recorded owner for feed, transportation, vet and misc. expenses
Relinquishes animal to lessee for duration of the lease	Holds recorded owner harmless from injuries sustained due to working with leased animals
Holds lessee harmless from financial obligation incurred due to loss or injury of leased animals	Leased animal is eligible for junior show awards, but not entitled to open show production, genetic merit or breeder awards
Provides registration certificate photocopy to lessee for filing at the National Brown Swiss office	Not eligible for national youth award programs other than Bell Ringer
Maintains possession of registration certificate and responsibility for any open class show entries	To qualify for state or national Bell Ringer awards, must record leased animal at the National Brown Swiss office
Retains open show eligibility and ownership of any calf born from a breeding during lease duration.	Holds one-year lease agreement and provides \$15 filing fee for each leased animal
May terminate lease early for due cause by notifying Executive Secretary and lessee	Verifies junior show eligibility with a copy of this lease agreement and the animal's registration certificate (stamped as a lease animal, indicating project year), received from the National Brown Swiss office

Terms & Conditions

- The lessee must be 8-21 years of age as of January 1 of the current year.
- Lease agreement must be processed at the National office prior to showing the leased animal/s.
- Leased animals will qualify for the National Bell Ringer Program, and junior show awards, but will not be eligible for open show awards.
- The animal's recorded owner will receive open show honors. An animal may be leased as a cow, if it has been leased continuously by the same youth prior to two years of age.
- Lessee can only lease one animal per class, per year.
- Junior lease animals must be shown by lessee, no alternate leadsman forms will be accepted. If the lessee is unable to show the animal it will be disqualified from the junior show but may be shown by the owners in the open show.

This agreement will be valid when signed and recorded by the National Brown Swiss Association. The lessee will receive a copy of the agreement and a reference copy of the animal's registration certificate stamped as a lease animal and indicating the project year. Original Certificate will be returned to Recorded Owner with notation of leased animal and year.

It will be accepted by the National Brown Swiss Association for the lessee's participation in qualifying shows for the National Brown Swiss Bell Ringer Program and may be renewed for an additional project year upon receipt of a new agreement and \$15 filing fee.

Complete the following (please print this section)

Youth (Leasee)

Leasee Date of Birth

Address

City

State

Zip

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Phone

Email

Animal's Name

Registration Number

Animal's Date of Birth

Show Class

Recorded Owner of Animal

We, the undersigned, have read, understand and will comply with the guidelines and terms of the lease program. We agree to hold harmless the National Brown Swiss Association, its employees, members and agents from any and all liability regarding this lease, lease program and leased animal.

Signed

Recorded Owner

Date

Lessee

Date

Parent/Guardian

Date

Having received the appropriate fees and this fully executed agreement, I do hereby approve and activate this Lease Agreement.

National Brown Swiss Association Representative

Date

DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 2026

Send completed agreement, **ORIGINAL** Registration certificate and **\$15** filing fee to:

Lease Agreement
Registration Department
Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders' Association
800 Pleasant Street
Beloit, WI 53511-5456