

# APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

BROWN SWISS CATTLE BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION OF THE U.S.A.

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*To the Board of Directors of the Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders' Association of the U.S.A.:*

The undersigned hereby expresses interest in the breeding of registered Brown Swiss cattle and makes application for membership in the Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders' Association of the USA. As a condition of being admitted as a member of said Association, the applicant agrees to accept the Constitution and Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of said Association as they now exist, or as they may hereafter be amended or added to. The applicant further agrees to comply with, and be bound by said Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, including the keeping of an accurate record on all service-age females in the herd that are registered or eligible for registry, and complete and consecutive records showing date of service or insemination, name and registration number of animal serviced or inseminated, name of sire used, date of calving, sex and identification of off-spring. In addition, the applicant agrees that all records on animals owned by the applicant, whether maintained by him or by others, including production records, may be obtained and used by Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders' Association of the USA, in its several programs.

**Membership Fee (Annual \$25; Five-year \$100) is herewith advanced. Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_**

*Please Note: Applicants for national membership must own at least one registered Brown Swiss in the exact name they are applying for membership before such membership can be issued.*

Membership Length (select one)

- \$25 Annual Membership
- \$100 Five-Year Membership
- Junior Members Applying for Adult Membership before their 22nd Birthday may apply for a One -Year Membership for \$10 or a Five-Year Membership for \$100.

Membership Type (select one)

- Individual Person
- Individual Person
- Farm, family, partnership or corporation  
(Must select one voting member)

## MEMBERSHIP

Membership Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print exactly as you plan to register your cattle.)

Signature (Voting Member) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Individual or for a farm, family, partnership or corporation, etc., membership, person to be recognized as voting member should sign here.)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

PH: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**For Farm, Family, Partnership or Corporation Only. Signature of each member of group membership authorized to sign applications.**

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**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP INSTRUCTIONS**  
**BROWN SWISS CATTLE BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION OF THE U.S.A.**  
**BELoit, WISCONSIN**

**Who is Eligible** - The membership of the Association shall be comprised of only such as are owners of and are trustworthy and careful breeders of registered Brown Swiss cattle and have paid a membership fee established by the Board of Directors. Memberships may be provided to natural persons, corporations, partnerships, estates, trusts and any other legal entity or organized group of persons.

**The Fee** - \$25 annual or \$100 for a five-year membership.

**How Long Does a Membership Last?**

- A. Memberships in the name of an individual natural person shall be for **1 year or 5 years** or shall terminate upon the written request of such person.
- B. Membership in the name of (1) a corporation; (2) a partnership; (3) a membership in a farm name or the name of a family, not a partnership or corporation; (4) an unincorporated non-profit, religious, fraternal, charitable or educational association and (5) estates and trusts, terminates upon dissolution, or on the 1-year or 5-year anniversary of such membership, or upon request, which ever shall first occur.
- C. A membership is not transferable.

**Benefits Of Memberships:**

- A. The membership has a voice in determining the programs and policies of the Association and in the election of Directors and Officers. Only Active members are eligible to vote on these matters. In order to remain an active member, you must register at least one animal since the beginning of the immediate past fiscal year or have at least one animal transferred to your ownership during this period.
- B. A member saves \$5 on each registration of animals under two years of age.

**How to Apply For Membership:**

- A. Complete the application blank after reviewing the explanation and the procedure presented below.
  1. As membership rates for the registration of a Brown Swiss apply only to those animals shown to be owned in the exact same name as your application is made, be sure to apply for membership in the exact name in which your cattle are registered or have been transferred to your ownership. *For example:* If Mr. Doe has his cattle in the name of John B. Doe, he should apply for membership in the name of John B. Doe, *not* J.B. Doe or John B. Doe and Sons.
  2. If the cattle are registered in a name other than the one you desire for membership, it will be necessary to transfer those animals to the name in which you are applying. *For example:* Cattle in the herd are registered in the names of several members of the family - John B. Doe, Robert A. Doe (John's son) and John B. Doe and Son. If this family wishes to apply for membership in the name of John B. Doe and Sons or under a farm name such as Doe's Swiss Farm, then all cattle would have to be transferred to the desired name in order for membership rates to apply in registering all of the progeny. If six or more animals are involved and if these transfers are all made at the same time, a special estate or 'within the family' rate will apply.
  3. Parents with 4-H members may wish to check their state rules concerning the ownership of project animals for 4-H competition. Most states require 4-H animals to be in the name of the junior and this procedure is recommended. Boys and girls over nine years of age may apply for Junior Membership at no cost and register the offspring from their cows in their individual names at membership rates until the end of the year of their 21st birthday.
  4. Examples of types of membership
    - a. Individual Person - John B. Doe
    - b. Farm or family – Doe's Swiss Farm or John B. Doe and Family (List owners of farm or members of family)
    - c. Partnership - Mr. and Mrs. John B. Doe or John B. Doe & Nivram L. Esurk
    - d. Corporation – Doe's Swiss Farm, Inc. (List officers with position held.)
    - e. Estate or Trust - Mary Roe Trust
- B. In the center of the application, sign exactly as you wish your membership issued in accordance with explanations under paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 above. Give complete address, and if other than an individual membership, give the name of the person to be recognized as the voting member.
- C. Send the application with the appropriate fee.

**How Soon Will You Become A Member:** The applicant is entitled to membership rates on registrations as soon as the completed application and fee are received at the Brown Swiss office. Membership is issued one month after publication unless there are objections from any National Members.

**National Junior Member to Adult Member:** If a National Junior Member applies for Adult Membership before his/her 22nd birthday, the fee is \$10 for one year or \$100 for five years.