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<i>Office Use Only</i>			
Brand #.	_____		
Amt. Rec.	_____	Date Rec.	_____
Cash	_____	Ck #	_____ 386 387

Application for Brand Recording

DO NOT have irons made or brand any livestock until you receive the brand certificate.

Brand Owner(s) ~If the brand is to be recorded in more than one name, please circle the term to use between the names. If not indicated, "or" will be used.				Circle one OR AND AND/OR	County _____
Mailing Address _____			Email _____		
City _____	State _____	Zip _____	Home Phone _____	Cell Phone _____	

Save time and correspondence by indicating second and third choices. Those choices will only be pursued if your preferred choice is not available.

1st Choice

Position	
CATTLE	HORSES
<input type="checkbox"/> Left Hip	<input type="checkbox"/> Left Hip
<input type="checkbox"/> Right Hip	<input type="checkbox"/> Right Hip
<input type="checkbox"/> Left Rib	<input type="checkbox"/> Left Jaw
<input type="checkbox"/> Right Rib	<input type="checkbox"/> Right Jaw
<input type="checkbox"/> Left Shoulder	<input type="checkbox"/> Left Shoulder
<input type="checkbox"/> Right Shoulder	<input type="checkbox"/> Right Shoulder
OTHER SPECIES & POSITION:	

2nd Choice

Position	
CATTLE	HORSES
<input type="checkbox"/> Left Hip	<input type="checkbox"/> Left Hip
<input type="checkbox"/> Right Hip	<input type="checkbox"/> Right Hip
<input type="checkbox"/> Left Rib	<input type="checkbox"/> Left Jaw
<input type="checkbox"/> Right Rib	<input type="checkbox"/> Right Jaw
<input type="checkbox"/> Left Shoulder	<input type="checkbox"/> Left Shoulder
<input type="checkbox"/> Right Shoulder	<input type="checkbox"/> Right Shoulder
OTHER SPECIES & POSITION:	

3rd Choice

Position	
CATTLE	HORSES
<input type="checkbox"/> Left Hip	<input type="checkbox"/> Left Hip
<input type="checkbox"/> Right Hip	<input type="checkbox"/> Right Hip
<input type="checkbox"/> Left Rib	<input type="checkbox"/> Left Jaw
<input type="checkbox"/> Right Rib	<input type="checkbox"/> Right Jaw
<input type="checkbox"/> Left Shoulder	<input type="checkbox"/> Left Shoulder
<input type="checkbox"/> Right Shoulder	<input type="checkbox"/> Right Shoulder
OTHER SPECIES & POSITION:	

THE FEE TO RECORD (OR TRANSFER) A BRAND IS \$25 PER POSITION PER SPECIES.

_____ X \$25 = \$ _____. This fee must accompany this application.

ALL BRAND OWNERS (all names listed above) ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN THE APPLICATION.

Applicant, please sign here

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Information to Brand Owner

Although there are no legal requirements for branding iron size, letter, figures or characters, they should be 4 inches in height with a 3/8-inch face. Irons should be heated to wood-ash grey before applying. They should burn deep enough so the scar will peel.

Care should be exercised in applying a brand. Be sure to position the letters or characters in your brand exactly as shown on your brand certificate. The brand should be placed on the proper location on the animal. Every person in charge of a livestock shipment should know the ownership of the brands on the animals in his or her care.

When buying animals that are branded, be sure a bill of sale is given by the recorded owner of the brand. This will eliminate delay at the markets. The brand inspector at the market will not honor a bill of sale covering livestock bearing a recorded brand unless the bill of sale is signed by the recorded owner and witnessed by a disinterested party. Proof of ownership will be required for animals bearing fresh brands when such animals carry an old brand. Branding livestock with your registered brand in no way exempts you from the possibility of having to prove ownership on another existing brand.

A brand, regardless of the date of recording, is to be renewed every five years. The renewal dates will be Jan. 1, 2011, 2016, etc. A renewal notice will be sent to all registered brand owners prior to the date of renewal. **If you change your address, be sure to notify the North Dakota Stockmen's Association in order to receive your brand renewal notice.**

POSITIONS AVAILABLE ON LIVESTOCK

Horses and Mules

left or right hip
left or right jaw
left or right shoulder

Cattle

left or right hip
left or right rib
left or right shoulder

Buffalo

left or right hip
left or right rib

Sheep & Goats

bridge of nose
left or right nose
left or right jaw
left or right ear

Swine

left or right hip
left or right shoulder
left or right rib
left or right jaw
back

BRAND RECORDING HINTS

- ▶ Brands must consist of two, but not more than three, letters, numbers or symbols, arranged in any configuration.
- ▶ Brands comprised of letters, numbers or symbols within another letter, number or symbol cannot be recorded.
- ▶ Brands that start with the letter "J" cannot be recorded.
- ▶ Brands that are judged to be illegible when placed on livestock cannot be recorded.
- ▶ Brands that are identical or similar to brands already recorded cannot be recorded.
- ▶ Numerical brands of two or more upright numbers cannot be placed on the hips of cattle.
- ▶ Brands recorded in another state cannot be recorded on the same position on the animal in North Dakota.
- ▶ Characters, numbers and symbols should be proportionate in size.
- ▶ Capital print block letters of the alphabet, excluding G and Q, may be used. Letters and symbols may be lazy, reversed or inverted.



A B C D E F H I J K L M N O P R S T U V W X Y Z

- ▶ Numbers two through nine may be used.
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
- ▶ The following symbols may be used: arrow, box, slash, bar, diamond, quarter circle, rafter, mill iron, heart, triangle, star and cross.



- ▶ Brands recorded in a trust must include the name of the trustee(s). Trust papers must accompany the application.
- ▶ Brands may be recorded under a ranch name if the name is the same as the owner.
- ▶ Brands may be recorded in a business name by providing copies of incorporation papers, fictitious name certificates or trade name registration papers, which have been filed with the North Dakota Secretary of State.
- ▶ All those doing business with the brand must be listed as a brand owner.
- ▶ All brand owners must sign the application. Children must be old enough to sign the brand application in order to be listed as a brand owner.