APPLICATION FOR LIVESTOCK BRAND REGISTRATION

Fee is $50 per location if returning this paper form to the Kansas Brands Office with a check.
Fee is $45.00 per location if applying online at www.kellysolutions.com/ks/brands.

Before applying, search for the availability of your desired brand at www.agriculture.ks.gov/brands.

Second and third choice brand images

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May KDA change the location on the animal?
Yes_____ No _____

Which method of branding will you use?
Hot-iron_____ Freeze _____ Both_____ 
*No extra fee for using both hot-iron and freeze brand

When brands for cattle and horses are the same, only one fee shall be charged. When brands are different, two separate fees are required. This includes different locations.

HELPFUL INFORMATION IN DESIGNING A BRAND
*The Kansas Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health (KDA) does not register single letters or characters.
*KDA does not register slanting or tumbling letters or numbers. They must be upright (vertical) or lazy (horizontal).
*KDA no longer registers two-digit number brands.
*KDA no longer registers crown symbols.
*KDA discourages brands that contain a letter, number or symbol within a closed area. These brands tend to blotch and cannot be clearly read; however, the freeze method produces relatively clear brands that utilize these characters.
*KDA discourages registering lower case letters, as they conflict with other characters.
*KDA discourages registration of broken bars due to the difficulty in creating unique designs and the many variations already in use throughout the state.
Kansas brand laws state that a registered livestock brand is the personal property of the recorded owner(s) and is handled the same as other personal property, K.S.A. 47-422. Please keep in mind that the owner(s) of a registered brand may assign use rights at their own discretion. To make any change in ownership of a livestock brand, a bill of sale should be executed by ALL present owners, notarized by a notary public, and submitted to KDA along with the transfer fee for processing.

When registering a brand in the name of a person or persons, the legal names of ALL individuals need to be listed on the application exactly as they should appear on the Certificate of Title. When registering a brand in the name of a company or companies, such as an LLC or Corporation, the company must be registered to do business in the State of Kansas. The company name submitted on the application needs to match the business entity name as it appears on the Annual Report filed with Kansas Secretary of State (KSOS) for that organization. If a livestock operation or ranch conducts business under a company name but is not licensed as a valid business entity with the KSOS, the applicant may register the brand under the name of an individual person or persons. For further information, please contact the KSOS at 785-296-4564. The names of ALL principals and/or agents having the authority to bind the company or companies need to be listed on the application as well.

A brand may be recorded to a trust, provided the names of ALL trustees are listed on the application.

**List ALL owners on the lines below:**

All owners listed on the Certificate of Brand Title in Kansas have a Joint Tenancy with Right of Survivorship ownership interest in the brand. If listing multiple owners below, note that ALL parties listed shall be equal owners of the brand. As such, transfers or assignment of ownership will require notarized signatures from ALL owners. If one owner dies, the surviving owner(s) will maintain entire ownership. Documentation may be required to prove ownership interests have transferred (ex: bill of sale, certificate of death, sale of business agreement, transfer on death deed, a testamentary/will, etc.)

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Point of Contact ________________________________

*Please only select one point of contact (POC) to communicate on behalf of the brand owner(s). KDA will notify the POC for all brand registration correspondence, including issuance of the Certificate of Brand Title, information regarding renewals, and any legal notice required. Owners that are not listed as the POC are welcome to contact KDA for information regarding their brand record.

Mailing address ________________________________

City __________________________ State _______ Zip ________

County of residence ________________________________

Email Address ________________________________

Phone (_____) ________________________________

Date _______________ Signature _____________________________________________