



## Membership Application

Member: USA Rice

Thank you for this opportunity to acquaint you with USA Rice Merchants' Association membership opportunities and benefits for your business. Merchant and Associate Members are valued partners and bring a broad range of expertise to the association. We invite you to apply today.

**MERCHANT MEMBERS:** A proprietor, partnership or corporation actively engaged in the storage, purchase, sale and/or hedging of rough and/or seed rice and which takes title to the rice.

### Annual Merchant Dues

\_\_\_\_\_ \$4,000 Merchant Members who handle more than 5 million cwt of rough rice annually.

\_\_\_\_\_ \$2,000 Merchant Members who handle less than 5 million cwt of rough rice annually.

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:** A proprietor, partnership or corporation which does not qualify as a Merchant Member because its activities are not sufficiently or actively related to the storage and marketing of rough rice is eligible for associate membership.

**Annual Associate Dues** \_\_\_\_\_ \$500

The USA Rice Merchants' Association Board of Directors will review the application. Services will begin upon the board's approval of the application. If the application is not approved, payment will be refunded. Companies eligible for Merchant Membership are not eligible for Associate Membership.

Membership dues to the USA Rice Merchants' Association are not deductible as a charitable contribution, but are eligible for deduction as a business expense for federal income tax purposes. In compliance with federal regulations, a portion of membership dues is not deductible as a business expense due to lobbying activities. Notice of the non-deductible portion will be provided annually and/or with dues notices.

### Please print:

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

P.O. Box: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Web site: \_\_\_\_\_

We hereby apply to join the USA Rice Merchants' Association as a member in the category selected above.

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Authorized Representative's Signature (Name and Title)

**SEE REVERSE FOR INFORMATION ON RETURNING YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION AND PAYMENT.**

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**Make checks payable to:** USA Rice. A check for one year's dues must accompany your completed membership application.

#### For more information, contact:

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*If you are not eligible for membership in the USA Rice Merchants' Association but would like more information on membership opportunities in USA Rice organizations, please contact USA Rice at (703) 236-2300 or see [www.usarice.com](http://www.usarice.com).*