



# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

## USA RICE MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION

### COMPANY & CONTACT INFORMATION

Company	Primary Contact Name
Street Address	Primary Contact Title
City, State Zip Code	Primary Contact Email
Country	Primary Contact Phone
Company Phone	Company Website

Primary Business Description (350 characters or less)

### MEMBER TYPE & DUES DECLARATION

#### ▶ MERCHANT MEMBERSHIP

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.

- \$9,000 – entities that handle less than 6 million cwt of rough rice annually.
- \$6,000 – entities that handle 3-6 million cwt of rough rice annually.
- \$3,000 – entities that handle less than 3 million cwt of rough rice annually.

#### ▶ ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

A proprietor, partnership, or corporation which does not qualify as a Merchant Member, but still has a significant interest in issues that impact the rice merchant industry.

- \$ 1,500

#### ▶ Monthly Rough Rice Dues (mandatory)

In addition to annual membership dues, it is required that all exporters of record pay an assessment on rough rice exported at a rate of \$0.0055 per hundredweight (\$5.50 per 1,000 hundredweight). **Does your company export rough rice?**

- Yes, we export rough rice
- No, we do not export rough rice

### SUBMIT APPLICATION

- ▶ Submit the completed membership application to [membership@usarice.com](mailto:membership@usarice.com), or fax to 703-236-2301.

*The USA Rice Merchants' Board of Directors reviews and approves membership applications. Upon approval of the application, an invoice will be sent for payment. The dues cycle is August 1 – July 31. 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 for federal tax purposes. In compliance with the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, 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 with dues notices.*

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