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KANSAS FARM BUREAU®
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2025 MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

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Farm Bureau is a membership organization with a paid membership (Family or Single) as a requirement to participate in member-only programs and services in all 105 Kansas counties. Membership is required for purchase and renewal of all policies issued by Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company, Western Agricultural Insurance Company, Rain and Hail LLC and Medica Connect except *MPCI, Brokerage and Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company products.* Membership is required to use any member benefits including Kansas Farm Bureau Health Plan products.

SINGLE INDIVIDUAL

Every individual must have a Farm Bureau membership or qualify under their parent's membership. Membership is required of each single individual who is twenty-three (23) years of age and older, for membership-required insurance products. Membership is required for anyone under age 23 maintaining his or her own residence to qualify for membership-required insurance products and for voting status, if classified as a voting member. Individual membership is required for KFB Health Plans when the single individual turns twenty-six (26) unless other products are present that would require individual membership at an earlier age.

MARRIED COUPLE

Membership is required of a married couple, regardless of age, for membership-required insurance products. Marriage is defined according to the laws of the State of Kansas.

UNMARRIED COUPLE

Membership is required of each individual when unmarried persons are living together regardless of age or gender, for membership-required insurance products. If an unmarried couple lists themselves as "first-named insured and spouse" on their insurance policy, they may qualify with one membership. If the couple is to be married, they may qualify under the same membership if the wedding date is within 12 months. Marriage is defined according to the laws of the State of Kansas.

MINOR CHILDREN

Membership is not required of a minor dependent under the care of a Farm Bureau member serving as a legal guardian.

AGED DEPENDENT

Membership is not required of an aged dependent under the care of a Farm Bureau member; or serving as an individual with the Power of Attorney.

CHANGE OF MEMBERSHIP

In the case of marriage, divorce, deceased, or any other change in family status, a membership change may be submitted to KFB Member Services or Membership Administration.

COMPLIMENTARY MEMBERSHIP

Dues payment is not required of a nonprofit organization such as a church, school, government agency, etc. Farm Bureau benefits which provide for a discount or incentive are not available to Complimentary Memberships. (Example: Vehicle Bonus Program, cellular phone program, KFB Health Plans)

BUSINESS/PARTNERSHIP or CORPORATION
Individual membership can qualify businesses, but a business membership may not qualify individuals. Only one membership is required to qualify the business/partnership or corporation.

ESTATES
Membership is required of an Executor or Administrator to qualify an estate. Other members or parties of the estate are not required to have a membership.

TRUSTS
The same membership rules for an Estate apply to a Trust. Only one membership is required to qualify a Trust.

CROP INSURANCE
Either tenant or landlord membership will qualify crop insurance coverage.

NON-REFUNDABLE
Dues are non-refundable even if policy is cancelled by the insurance company.

DEFINITIONS

AGED DEPENDENT: Unless the child of a parent/grandparent has legal Power of Attorney , two memberships are required regardless of titling or residential living status.

COMPLIMENTARY: Non-profit organizations (lodges, clubs, churches, townships, school districts, libraries, etc) are not required to pay dues. These organizations must have a non-profit or not-for-profit status. Complimentary membership exists indefinitely unless KFB Membership is informed otherwise. These members are not eligible to take advantage of member benefits. **County Boards must vote to approve complimentary memberships and only County Coordinators can enter a complimentary membership in the membership system.**

CORPORATE/BUSINESS MEMBER: If membership is in the name of a business, rather than an individual. One membership will qualify the corporation or business.

COUNTY TRANSFER: Member who paid membership dues in one Kansas county and now desires to join a different county Farm Bureau thereby transferring membership. Member must request the transfer. The member will pay dues for the new county in his/her next membership renewal month.

ELECTRONIC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION: Solicitors must enter all new members into the KFB Membership System via the electronic membership application.

MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION: Classification of members is determined by the county Farm Bureau. Depending on the County Bylaws, the following is a general rule of classification. Classification may be changed at any time if a county board votes to approve a change. County coordinators must change the classification in the membership system.

- **VOTING -** Member who has an agricultural interest with income earned through production agriculture.

- **ASSOCIATE -** A member with no voting privileges. A member who has no agriculture interests and no income earned through production agriculture.

MEMBERSHIP DUES: Twenty-eight dollars and 50 cents ($28.50) per membership is retained by KFB and is allocated toward benefits and programs of Farm Bureau membership and AFBF dues ($5.00). Each county Farm Bureau independently determines their dues structure. All changes in county dues must be reported to Member Services by August 1 annually for the coming membership year.

MEMBERSHIP DUE DATE: A member's dues are due in their anniversary month annually by the last day of the month.

NEW MEMBER: An individual joining Farm Bureau for the first time (create new membership with new member number). An individual who had a paid membership previously (but not currently active) and who has not had active insurance requiring membership during the unpaid timeframe (reinstate old membership account).

NEW MEMBER REPORT: New members must be approved by county boards and assigned classification.

OFFICIAL MEMBERSHIP CARD: Membership cards are mailed with renewal notices and paid notices. They can also be accessed online or through the member benefits app.

OUT-OF-STATE: Individual who paid Farm Bureau membership dues in another state. Kansas Farm Bureau honors requests from county Farm Bureaus in one of two conditions

- **One year** – individual pays dues in another state for the current membership year – has moved to Kansas and is utilizing a benefit/service. County must collect dues the following membership year and transmits them as a NEW member. (*Complete electronic application)*
- **Continuous** – individual pays membership dues in another state Farm Bureau, will not become a Kansas resident, but is required to have Kansas insurance for property. This out-of-state membership is honored each membership year by Kansas Farm Bureau as long as the individual continues to pay membership dues in another state and does not reside in Kansas.

RENEWAL: Member who has consecutively paid membership.

REINSTATE: Policies cancelled and then reinstated with less than a 6-month break in coverage require continuous payment of dues. If prior policy was non-renewed for unpaid dues within 12 months of the reinstate date, all dues owed up to policy non-renew date are required plus current dues amount.

SOLICITOR: The person responsible for signing the new member (and collecting membership dues).

VOID: New member who declines membership after joining Farm Bureau in the current membership year and has no active policies. Memberships with no principal member (because husband and wife are both deceased) are voided if they have no insurance policies requiring membership. Head of Household/Adult Child Memberships inadvertently created may also be voided by KFB Membership. Members who no longer have insurance requiring a paid membership and who wish to not use any member benefit during the remainder of their already paid membership year or receive a renewal notice may request to have their membership voided (no refund will be given).