

All members, while in good standing, shall have equal rights, interests and responsibilities with respect to the Association and its property; shall have the right to vote, in person or by proxy, in all membership meetings and to hold office and committee assignments except as otherwise limited.

All annual memberships are based on a calendar year and expire on December 31st of each year.

Memberships must be in the exact name in which you intend to register horses. ABRA accepts US Funds only.

Youth Membership

A youth membership is designated for members under age 19. Horses exhibited by a youth must be owned by the exhibitor or someone directly related, except in the case of a leased horse. All youth must hold a current ABRA Youth Membership Card to exhibit in ABRA approved Youth classes. This membership does not include voting privilege.

Individual Membership

Individual membership is for exhibitors who are going to show in the ABRA open classes, ABRA Judges, or persons whose primary interaction with the Association is for registrations, transfers, etc. Issued to one (1) person and carried in that person's legal name only.

Amateur Membership

A person is considered an Amateur Exhibitor by the American Buckskin Registry Association when he or she is no longer eligible to show in ABRA Youth Activity classes, and who has not shown, judged, trained or assisted in training a horse for remuneration, either directly or indirectly, nor received compensation for instructing another person in riding, driving, training or showing a horse in competition for the previous five (5) years.

Any approved horse show judge is ineligible. *Premium money is not to be considered remuneration, but payment of entry fees, expenses, etc., by any person other than the contestant, or the contestant's father, mother, sister, brother, grandparent, legal guardian or spouse, shall be considered remuneration.*

An Amateur cannot hold membership accreditation in a professional association for those events or classes which are the same events or classes the individual competes, or desires to compete, in ABRA amateur competition. For example, a person who competes in a Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association roping event, may not compete in Amateur calf roping or dally team roping (heading or heeling), or steer stopping, but may show in any other amateur classes. A permit holder is not considered as one who has membership accreditation in any ABRA amateur class.

Every rider competing in an Amateur Class must possess a current Amateur card issued by the American Buckskin Registry Association. Show management must inspect this card at any show entered. Application for an Amateur card shall be made on a form provided by the Association.

Amateur Upgrade

Amateur Upgrade is available for Individual, Joint or Partnership Members who have a current membership but wish to upgrade to Amateur Status and receive an amateur card to compete in ABRA Amateur Classes.

Cowboy Membership

The cowboy division is for working ranch cowboys. The rider of the horse must either be an owner, family member or full time employee of the ranch that owns the horse. Employees must have been employed for a minimum of 90 days prior to competing in the ranch horse competition.

The rider must have less than \$15,000 per association lifetime earnings in any of the following: NRHA, NCHA, NRHA, ACHA, RHAA, ASHA or SHOT or less than 25 AQHA or American Paint Horse Association open points in reining, cutting, working cow horse or Versatility Ranch Horse within the previous 10 years. No exhibitor can have earned more than \$15,000 in any individual association.

Business Membership

Issued to a Ranch, Farm, Corporation, etc. No individual privileges are included in this membership. Authorized one (1) vote only and the individual with voting status for this membership to be on file with the Association.

Partnership Membership

Issued to two or more individuals, all of whom must be in good standing with the Association. Authorized one (1) vote only and the individual with voting status for this membership to be on file with the Association. No individual privileges (such as showing or judging) are included in this membership.

Joint Membership

Issued in 2 names of a husband and wife, mother and daughter or son; father and daughter or son 18 years and under. In the event the surnames are not the same, documentation designating status shall be furnished to the Association with the application.

Lifetime Membership

Lifetime membership is for one (1) person under the Individual Membership status for the life of the member.

AMATEUR MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT ONLY FOR AMATEUR MEMBERSHIP APPLICANTS

Amateur membership is a classification for people who wish to compete in ABRA amateur classes. Amateur members must abide by ABRA amateur rules contained in the ABRA Official Handbook of Rules & Regulations. Before submitting your application to ABRA, please carefully read such rules to ensure you meet amateur eligibility.

Application for ABRA amateur membership shall become active only upon ABRA's acceptance of this application. By submitting your application for amateur membership and checking the boxes below, you affirm the truth of the following statements.

I have NOT within the previous five years of submitting this application:

- Shown, judged, trained or assisted in training a horse (whether or not a registered with ABRA) for remuneration.**
- Instructed another person in riding, driving, training or showing a horse for remuneration.**
- Held the credentials of a horse show judge for any organization including, but not limited to ABRA or any other equine organization.**
- Held a membership in accreditation with the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association, Women's Professional Rodeo Association (Barrel Race Only) or International Professional Rodeo Association, for those events or classes which are the same events or classes in which the individual competes, or desires to compete, in ABRA amateur competition.**

In submitting this application for an ABRA Amateur Exhibitors card, I now affirm that the information contained herein is true and correct. I agree to comply with the rules and regulations as stated in the current ABRA Official Handbook and by the Association By-Laws of the AMERICAN BUCKSKIN REGISTRY ASSOCIATION, INC.

- Please include a copy of your Amateur card with other equine associations. If you do not have a current Amateur card with another equine association to attach to this application, two additional signatures are required to confirm your Amateur status.**

Amateur Signature

Date

Name 1 verifying amateur status (please print name)

Signature of name 1 & date

Name 2 verifying amateur status (please print name)

Signature of name 2 & date

*Thank you for membership application.
The ABRA, Inc. appreciates your business and looks forward to serving you!*