



Dear Customer:

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the Co-op Country Stores.

What is a CO-OP? It is a business owned and controlled by the people who use it. With the purchase of a membership, you will be part owner of the Fruita CO-OP and its branches. With the exception of these branches, this CO-OP is independent of all other CO-OP's. This membership applies to us only. We carry a line of products including hardware, TBA (tires, batteries, accessories), feed, tack, animal health, rental and saw shop, bulk petroleum, bulk propane and fertilizer.

As you probably already know, you don't have to be a member to buy from the CO-OP, but your \$10.00 lifetime membership fee will allow you to share in the profits from member business. A portion of these profits will be paid in cash, and the balance will be put back into the CO-OP as your equity. This equity will build up over the years and be paid back to you according to our equity retirement program.

There are two kinds of stock. Common shareholders are those actively engaged in farming or ranching and can vote at meetings. Participating patrons, or preferred shareholders, are non-voting members, but are the same in all other aspects.

If you would like to become a member, please pick up an application, fill it out, and return it to us with the \$10.00 lifetime membership fee. When filling out the application, list the name(s) the way you want the membership set up. If the membership is to be in both husband and wife's names, then both names are needed on the application.

With your purchase of a membership, you will be assigned an account number. Please be sure to give your membership name or number to the sales associate at the checkout counter. Your member number must appear on all your sales tickets in order to be counted toward your annual purchases. We determine your share of patronage and equity at the fiscal year end based on your purchases.

A membership is not a charge account. If you wish to open a charge account, please pick up a credit application at the office.

We hope this answers some of your questions. Please contact us for additional information.

Co-op Country Stores

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
(Please make sure to complete and sign both Application and W-9.)

NAME: _____
(Legal name or name(s) to appear on membership)

COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS: _____ PHYSICAL (OR FARM) ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ ALT. PHONE: _____

BIRTH DATE: _____ If a partnership, list birth date of oldest partner.
If a corporation, list birth date of oldest stockholder.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (INDIVIDUAL): _____ FEDERAL ID NUMBER (CORPORATION): _____
SS#: _____ - _____ - _____ FEDERAL ID #: _____ - _____

DO YOU EARN AT LEAST \$5000 ANNUALLY FROM AGRICULTURE INCOME? _____

If "YES", please complete the following for a Common Membership:

NUMBER OF ACRES OWNED: _____ RENTED: _____

NUMBER and TYPE OF LIVESTOCK: _____

IF A CORPORATION or PARTNERSHIP, NAME(S) and ADDRESS(ES) of STOCKHOLDERS/PARTNERS:

BY SIGNING THIS APPLICATION, I AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE BY-LAWS OF THIS ASSOCIATION.

Signature of Applicant Date

*****PLEASE DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE, OFFICE USE ONLY*****

DIRECTORS' APPROVAL

COMMON STOCK: _____ PREFERRED STOCK: _____

Signature of Board of Director Date

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the
 requester. Do not
 send to the IRS.**

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	Name (as shown on your income tax return)	
	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	Check appropriate box for federal tax classification (required): <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ _____	
Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)		Requester's name and address (optional)
City, state, and ZIP code		
List account number(s) here (optional)		

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)					
Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see <i>How to get a TIN</i> on page 3.	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center; background-color: #f2f2f2;">Social security number</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"> </td> <td style="text-align: center;">- - </td> </tr> </table>	Social security number			- -
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Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center; background-color: #f2f2f2;">Employer identification number</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"> </td> <td style="text-align: center;">- </td> </tr> </table>	Employer identification number			-
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Part II Certification	
Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:	
1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and	
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and	
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).	
Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.	

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
- Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.