Livestock Brand Registration Information
SOUTH DAKOTA STATE BRAND BOARD
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Please read before filling your application out. Registered livestock brands in South Dakota must consist of two but not more than three letters, numbers or symbols. You may apply for up to 3 different choices on each application. Please check our online brand book to make sure that the same or similar brand is not already registered.

Listed below is NOT allowed:

There can be NO brand within a brand or “rolling” letters or character brands or slanted letter.

Listed below IS allowed:

The brands have to be a complete 90° turn to the right or to the left. And the characters can be side by side, stacked, hanging, sitting, connected or stacked connected.

Capital print block letters of the alphabet, excluding the letter “Q”. Letters may be lazy, reversed, or inverted. The characters have

Numbers two (2) through nine (9) and the following characters can be used:
Cattle, horse, buffalo(bison) or sheep must be filled out on a different application.

- Cattle brands may be registered on the left or right shoulder, rib or hip.
- Horse/mule brands are recorded on the left or right jaw, shoulder or hip and can be hot or freeze branded.
- Buffalo brands are recorded on the left or right rib or hip.
- Sheep brands may be comprised of a single letter, number or symbol and are registered for the left or right side or hip as a paint brand. Hot iron brands are also registered for the nose and the left or right jaw of sheep.

Please fill the application out completely, sign and date the application. Please make sure to mark the correct ownership.

- Tenants In Common is "And" (Name & Name)
- Joint Tenants With Rights Of Survivorship is "Or" (Name / Name)
- Sole Owner is one owner
- Other is Trust/Corporation/LLP
- DBA – Business names can be listed with the Secretary of State
- If the Business names is not registered then it will need to be listed with the owner as "DBA" (Name DBA Business Name)

The brands will be checked with the registered brands to make sure that they aren't too similar. The cost to process an application will be $40.00. The cost to register a brand is $50.00 for the license fee plus $18.00 for each year remaining in the current renewal period. Each location will have a separate registration fee. The renewal period is the five-year period of time, which begins in the years ending "0" and "5", such as 2010, 2015, 2020. To avoid cancellation, brand renewal fees are due beginning on January 1 of each renewal period. Fees not received by May 1 of the renewal year will result in the brand being cancelled.
APPLICATION FOR CATTLE BRAND

Print All Applicant(s) Name(s)

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip+4

Telephone Number

Email Address

A recordable brand must consist of no less than TWO (2) or more than THREE (3) LETTERS, NUMBERS, or SYMBOLS or the combination thereof.

LEFT SIDE

RIGHT SIDE

SECOND CHOICE
(Draw Brand)

THIRD CHOICE
(Draw Brand)

BRAND LOCATION
(Number 1-6 in order of preference)

LEFT SIDE

RIGHT SIDE

□ HIP

□ RIB

□ SHOULDER

□ HIP

□ RIB

□ SHOULDER

THIS BRAND SHALL BE RECORDED AS:
(MARK ONE)

□ Joint Tenants with rights of survivorship

□ Tenants in common

□ Sole owner

□ Other

I certify that I will apply the brand to cattle.

Date

Applicant Signature

APPROVED Date

STATE BRAND BOARD USE ONLY

DENIED Date

I certify that this document was filed for

BRAND RECORDED

RECEIPT NUMBER

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

APPROVED

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