



CO-OWNERSHIP ELECTION FORM

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INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

This form is used to change the ownership of a brand from joint ownership to co-ownership when a brand is owned by more than one person and all owners are over 18 years of age. If any of the brand owners are under 18 years of age please contact LIS for the appropriate forms.

If two or more persons are **co-owners** of a brand, each person owns an undivided interest in the brand and, upon the death of one of the co-owners, the legal requirements governing wills and estates must be followed to transfer the deceased's interest (ownership) in the brand. Whether the deceased's interest in the brand will go to the co-owner or to another person will be determined by any Designation of Beneficiary Form filed with the Brand Registrar, the deceased's Will or, if there is no Designation of Beneficiary Form or Will, on the laws governing intestate succession.

If two or more persons are **joint owners** of a brand, each person owns an undivided interest in the brand and has a "right of survivorship". Upon the death of one joint owner, the other owner(s) has ownership of the brand. On the death of one joint owner, the brand can be transferred to the survivor(s) by the surviving joint owner(s) filing with the Brand Registrar a Statutory Declaration of Surviving Joint Brand Owner along with satisfactory proof of death of the deceased joint owner.

To complete this form, please do the following:

1. Enter the name, address, postal code, telephone number(s), fax number and e-mail address of each owner in the space provided.
2. If there are more than two owners of the brand please complete the "Additional Brand Owners" contact information and signature form and attach as many copies of the form as are required.
3. Draw the brand design and indicate the location and animal type for the brand on all forms.
4. Each owner must appear before a Commissioner for Oaths (if the form is signed in Alberta) or before a Notary Public (if the form is signed outside Alberta) to complete the Certificate of Identity of Brand Owner. One Certificate must be completed for each brand owner.
5. In order to verify each owner's identity, the Commissioner for Oaths or Notary Public must examine an original piece of valid government issued identification (the identity document). Information and instructions with respect to the Certificate of Verification of Identity are attached. If you do not have one of the listed identity documents please contact LIS.

Once completed, please mail one signed copy of this form, any Additional Brand Owners forms and the existing Brand Certificate to the address noted below. Once this Election Form is processed, the LIS database will be updated to show that the brand is co-owned and a new Brand Certificate showing the owners as co-owners will be mailed to the person listed as Brand Owner 1.

If you have any questions please contact:

Livestock Identification Services Ltd.
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LIVESTOCK IDENTIFICATION SERVICES LTD.

Livestock Identification and Commerce Act

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Please print clearly

We,	Brand Owner 1	Brand Owner 2
Name		
Address		
MD/Town/City		
Postal Code		
Province		
Phone Number		
Fax Number		
E-mail Address		

Are there additional brand owners?

No

Yes, there are ____ additional owners.

*Note: If there are more than two owners please have the additional owners complete as many Additional Brand Owners forms as required and submit same with this form.

being the registered owners of the following brand:

Brand Design	Location	Type
		<input type="checkbox"/> Cattle <input type="checkbox"/> Horse

for good and valuable consideration, do hereby elect to change the status of our ownership of the above noted brand from joint ownership to **co-ownership**.

We hereby acknowledge and agree that, as a result of this election:

1. The persons registered as owners of the above brand continue to own an undivided interest in the brand.
2. The persons registered as owners of the above brand do not have the "right of survivorship" and that upon the death of one co-owner, the legal requirements governing wills, estates and intestacy must be followed to transfer the deceased's interest (ownership) in the brand to the beneficiaries of the deceased co-owner.
3. The persons registered as owners of the above brand are all required to comply with the provisions of the *Livestock Identification and Commerce Act* and the *Livestock Identification and Commerce General Regulation* when transporting or selling the livestock bearing the above brand.

We further acknowledge that under the *Livestock identification and Commerce Act*:

1. The persons registered as the owners of the above brand have the exclusive right to use the brand for the purpose of denoting ownership of livestock until the registration of the brand is cancelled or the brand transferred. During that period the mark of the brand on livestock is proof, in the absence of evidence to the contrary, of the brand owners' ownership of the livestock bearing the brand.
2. Any livestock bearing the above brand must be sold in the names of, or on behalf of, all of the owners of the brand. If not, the livestock or the sale proceeds may be held pending the Livestock Inspector being satisfied that the person in possession of the livestock is the owner of the livestock, the owner's agent or otherwise lawfully entitled to be in possession of the livestock or entitled to the sale proceeds.
3. The owners of the livestock are required to complete the livestock security interest declaration when livestock is transported for sale or sold.
4. The sale proceeds must be payable to all of the owners of the brand and the holder of any livestock security interest in the livestock or the dam of the livestock being sold.
5. If the livestock is being transported for sale and the livestock manifest does not direct payment to all of the owners of the brand, the Livestock Inspector will hold the livestock or the sale proceeds until all of the owners of the brand sign the livestock manifest.

Date

Signature of Brand Owner 1

Printed name of Brand Owner 1

Date

Signature of Brand Owner 2

Printed name of Brand Owner 2

This information is being collected for the purposes of brand registry records in accordance with the *Livestock Identification and Commerce Act* and the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Questions about the collection of this information can be directed to the Privacy Coordinator for the brand registry at LIS at 109, 264 Midpark Way SE Calgary Alberta, T2X 1J6. Phone (403) 509-2088 or (866) 509-2088

CERTIFICATE OF VERIFICATION OF IDENTITY OF BRAND OWNER

I, _____ of the Town/City of _____
in the Province/State of _____, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT:

1. I met _____ on _____, 20__ and
verified his/her identity by examining his/her _____ (identity document)
issued by _____ on _____, 20__
as number _____.
2. The photograph on the identity document was a true likeness of the person named in paragraph 1 and
confirmed that he/she is at least 18 years of age.

SIGNED by me at _____, _____ this _____ day of _____ 20__

A Commission for Oaths in and for the Province of Alberta
or a Notary Public in and for the Prov/State of _____

Address

Print name

City/Town – Prov/State – Postal/Zip Code

Date appointment expires

Phone

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INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE CERTIFICATE OF VERIFICATION OF IDENTITY

Information

The person registered with the Brand Registry as the owner of the brand has the exclusive right to use the brand for the purposes of denoting ownership of the livestock or a livestock security interest in the livestock, as the case may be, until the registration of the brand is cancelled or transferred.

Identification is required to ensure that documentation affecting the rights of a registered brand owner is completed by the proper person to protect the registered brand owner.

Livestock Identification Services Ltd. (LIS) is subject to the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and the collection, use, disclosure, retention and destruction of personal information by LIS are done in compliance with this Act.

Acceptable identity documents

Acceptable personal identification documents must

- include a photograph
- be government issued
- be original, not a copy of the document
- indicate a unique identifier
- be valid (current) – not expired.

Acceptable forms of personal identification documents include

- a driver's license
- an identification card
- passport
- citizenship card
- Permanent Resident card
- Certificate of Indian Status card

Note: If a brand owner does not have one of the listed identity documents please contact LIS and an alternate form will be provided.

Instructions to Commissioner for Oaths or Notary Public

To complete the Certificate of Verification of Identity do the following:

- Print your full name, town or city and province or state in the initial paragraph.
- Print the name of the person in paragraph 1 and the date the person appeared before you to complete this form.
- Request the original identity document from the person and compare the information on the identity document to the information on the form and to the person appearing before you.
- If the information and photograph match the information on the form and the person appearing before you, complete paragraph 2 by printing the name of the government entity that issued the identity document, the date the identity document was issued, the number of the identity document, the date it expires and the name of the person appearing before you.
- Print the day, month and year the Certificate is signed.
- Sign your name on the line provided and strike out which of the two capacities does not apply to you.
- Print your name on the line provided
- Print your phone number and full address on the lines provided.