

**WISCONSIN AYRSHIRE BREEDERS ASSOCIATION**

**SHAYR-A-HEIFER PROGRAM**

**To:** 4-H Youth Agents  
Dairy Leaders  
Dairy Exhibitors  
FFA Members

**From:** Shayr-A-Heifer Chairmen  
Wisconsin Ayrshire Breeders' Association

**Subject:** Wisconsin Ayrshire Breeders Shayr-A-Heifer Program

Enclosed find an application and sample contract for the Wisconsin Ayrshire Breeders Shayr-A-Heifer Program. Please share this information with your dairy leaders and exhibitors. If additional applications are needed, please feel free to make copies.

This program is designed to help young people who are interested in having a Registered Ayrshire dairy project. Ownership will be on a 50/50 basis between the Junior member and the Wisconsin Ayrshire Breeders Association. After two years the Junior member has the option of buying the heifer (original purchase price plus 25%) or selling her at the 2012 WABA Spring Sale for 50% of the proceeds. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact any of the Shayr-A-Heifer Chairmen.

Applications must be received by April 7, 2010. We will select calves and place them by the middle of May. Also, all applicants (who reply early enough) will receive a catalog for the Wisconsin Ayrshire Breeders Association Spring Sale held in Neillsville on April 10, 2010 and are invited to attend.

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**SHAYR-A-HEIFER APPLICATION**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H or FFA Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you live on a dairy farm?      Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, how many head of the following breeds are on your home farm?

	<u>Reg.</u>	<u>Grade</u>		<u>Reg.</u>	<u>Grade</u>		<u>Reg.</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Ayrshire	_____	_____	Brown Swiss	_____	_____	Guernsey	_____	_____
Holstein	_____	_____	Jersey	_____	_____	Milking Shorthorn	_____	_____
Other	_____							

Please have your veterinarian and 4-H/Youth Agent or Vo-Ag Instructor sign this application recommending you to receive this project animal.

Veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H/Youth Agent/Vo-Ag Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_

On a separate piece of paper, please explain why you would like to have a registered Ayrshire heifer for a project animal.

If selected, I am willing to sign a contract, which will be sent to me upon my selection. A sample contract is available from your Extension Agent or Vo-Ag Instructor.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent

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## CONTRACT FOR WISCONSIN AYRSHIRE BREEDERS "SHAYR-A-HEIFER" PROGRAM

The undersigned parties agree to the following terms:

The sponsor (Wisconsin Ayrshire Breeders Association (WABA)) and the parent or guardian of the junior member (recipient of the calf).

It is understood that the parent or guardian shall be responsible for breach of contract by the junior member. In the event that the junior member cannot fulfill the terms of the contract, it is further agreed that the calf provided by the sponsor shall be returned to the sponsor. In the event the heifer reaches a point of deterioration which makes it of no value to the sponsor (due to mistreatment or mismanagement by the junior member), then the parent or guardian shall be responsible for providing a fair reimbursement to the WABA. A committee appointed by the President of the Wisconsin Ayrshire Breeders Association shall study all cases involving mistreatment or mismanagement and shall have final judgment regarding reimbursement. The same committee shall investigate any cases involving the accidental death of heifers in the program.

**MEMBERSHIP:** It is required to be a member of the Wisconsin Ayrshire Breeders Association.

**OWNERSHIP:** WABA, as sponsor of the "Shayr-A-Heifer" program, shall agree to transfer the Certificate of Registry for the project animal to \_\_\_\_\_, the recipient of the calf. However, legal ownership of the project animal shall be 50% by the sponsor and 50% by the recipient until the date of the sale, at which time this contract terminates.

**TRANSPORTATION:** The transportation costs shall be equally shared by the sponsor and junior as noted below. It shall be the responsibility of the sponsor to initiate arrangements to deliver the calf to the junior member; the junior member shall initiate arrangements to transport the heifer to the sale. Other transportation (to shows and fairs) is the sole responsibility of the junior member.

**HEALTH:** In the situation that the heifer should require surgery (D.A., hardware, etc.) the recipient should contact the sponsor if at all possible. Any charges for these services will be taken care of at the time of the sale. The recipient must provide a receipt from the veterinarian. The sponsor will be responsible for 50% and the recipient 50% to be settled from proceeds of the sale. If the heifer should calve prior to the sale, any female offspring must also be sent through the sale. If it is a bull calf, it may be sold and the receipt must accompany the heifer to the sale. The proceeds will also be split 50% to each sponsor and recipient.

**BREEDING:** It shall be the responsibility of the junior member to see that the heifer is bred to a Registered Ayrshire bull as soon as possible after \_\_\_\_\_. Selection of the service sire and date of breeding shall be determined by joint agreement of the sponsor and junior member. The junior member shall pay the breeding fee.

**BUY OUT:** The junior member can purchase the heifer prior to the sale for the cost of the calf plus 25% (a minimum of a \$1000). This has to be settled before the Wisconsin Ayrshire Breeders state sale.

**SALES:** The animal can be consigned and sold at the Wisconsin Ayrshire Breeders Spring Sale at the end of the second year ( \_\_\_\_\_ ). 50% of the selling price will be retained by the junior member (recipient) and 50% will go back to the sponsor. The sponsor and junior member shall be eligible to purchase the animal at the sale. The Wisconsin Ayrshire Breeders Association shall deduct the going rate of commission from the selling price.

**FITNESS FOR SALE:** In the event that a question arises regarding fitness of the heifer for the sale, two alternatives are possible: (1) The sponsor and the junior member shall agree upon a solution acceptable to both parties, or (2) the previously mentioned committee shall study the situation and make a final decision regarding the solution of the problem.

**SHOWS:** The junior member is encouraged to exhibit the animal at local shows.

**DESCRIPTION OF ANIMAL**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Tattoo/Ear Tag #: \_\_\_\_\_ Reg. No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Sire (Name & Reg. No.): \_\_\_\_\_

Dam (Name & Reg. No.): \_\_\_\_\_

Records of Dam: \_\_\_\_\_

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Junior Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail : \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor/WABA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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