



# AMERICAN SPICE TRADE ASSOCIATION, INC.

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## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Please TYPE or PRINT all information

Company Name:			Year Founded:
Street Address:			
City:	State:	Country:	Zip:
Individual Representing firm:		Title:	
Telephone:	Fax:	E-mail:	Web:
Description of Company: (**Please include your Annual Report or a Company Brochure)			
Signature:			Signature Date:

We hereby apply for Membership in the American Spice Trade Association as an (See Page 2)

(Please Check One):

- ACTIVE MEMBER:**     Broker/Agent **or**  
 Importer, Trader, Processor, Grower, or Distributor
- ASSOCIATE MEMBER**

### REFERENCES

Reference: _____ NAME	Reference: _____ NAME
_____	_____
COMPANY	COMPANY
Date:	Date:
Reference's Signature _____	Reference's Signature: _____

For ASTA use only: Date affirmed as member Date: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN your completed application with your payment of the application fee and accompanying materials (i.e. Categorization Form, company brochure) to: Membership Department, **American Spice Trade Association, Inc.**, 2025 M Street NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20036. Make CHECKS PAYABLE to AMERICAN SPICE TRADE ASSOCIATION, INC., in U.S. Dollars, drawn on a U.S. Bank.

## MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY DEFINITIONS

### ■ ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP:

All individuals, firms, and corporations that are based in the United States, or doing business in the United States either through a related business entity or agent, or by offering items for sale for importation into, or exportation from, the United States, and that are primarily engaged in the growing, importation, exportation, processing, blending, trading, distribution, or sale at wholesale or retail of spices or seasonings are eligible for Active membership in one of the following categories:

◆ **Brokers and Agents:** Those firms whose activities include that of acting as Brokers and Agents for the purchase or sale of spices.

◆ **Importers, Traders, Processors, Growers or Distributors:** Those firms whose activities include that of acting as Importers, Traders, Processors, Growers or Distributors of **Spices, Dehydrated Onion & Garlic or Oleoresins** (or combinations).

### ■ ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP:

All individuals, firms, associations, and corporations engaged in businesses associated with the spice industry who do not otherwise qualify for Active membership and who are able to assist in promoting and carrying out the purposes of the Association.

## MEMBERSHIP FEES AND DUES

Applicants for membership must remit a nonrefundable application fee of **\$250** with a completed application.

ASTA Annual Dues year covers the period of July 1 to June 30.

### **IMPORTERS/TRADERS/PROCESSORS/GROWERS/DISTRIBUTORS BASED UPON SUBMITTED CATEGORICAL DUES FORM – Dues will be calculated upon receipt of form.**

Dues are assessed on the number of pounds of spices sold to or purchased in the United States. Spices counted on a pound-for-pound basis. Garlic and onion calculated at a 50% rate and Oleoresins at a rate of 10 times. For example, 2,000,000 pounds of garlic and onion will be assessed as 1,000,000 pounds. 1,000 pounds of oleoresins will be assessed as 10,000 pounds. Dues for active members are \$2,500 for the first 1,000,000 of spices traded. Pounds above 1,000,000 are assessed at a rate of \$0.001. The maximum dues rate is \$65,000.

### **BROKER/AGENTS**

Dues for brokers are \$4,000 for the first income producer and \$1,000 for each additional income producer.

### **ASSOCIATE MEMBERS**

Dues are \$1,800

### **PAYMENT INFORMATION**

Check Payment

Check Number \_\_\_\_\_ Check Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Payment\*\*

VISA  MasterCard  American Express Total Amount to Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*\*\*I authorize ASTA to charge my credit card in the amount indicated above. I understand that ASTA reserves the right to charge the correct amount if totaled incorrectly. I understand that my billing statement will read "ASTA."*