



## 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."*