

**APPALACHIAN HERITAGE CRAFTERS (AHC)
P O BOX 1622, MURPHY, NC 28906
2016 US HWY 64 WEST
MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT/2009**

Name _____ Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone _____

Alternate Address & Phone _____

(for those members who live part of the year in another locale)

E-mail _____

Social Security# _____ (for your 1099 form/will be kept confidential)

Signature _____

AS AN AHC MEMBER, I (WE) AGREE:

1. I reside within 75 miles of Murphy, NC.
2. Pay annual dues of \$25.00 by February 28th of each year – (all dues expire on 12/31st of each year.) One membership per household to be listed under one crafter # under one social security number.
3. That crafts are handmade by me or a member of my household.
4. Submit crafts in a new category to the Jury Committee before placing in the store.
5. I will not duplicate other crafter's work
6. I will adhere to all AHC policies and procedures. (these to be given to you at your new membership orientation in written form for your reference.)

All crafters will read and sign the Working Crafter Agreement

By signing this Agreement and placing my work for sale with AHC, I accept the above terms and agree to abide by all rules and policies and procedures set forth by AHC.

APPALACHIAN HERITAGE CRAFTERS AGREES:

1. To market your approved crafts through the AHC store.
2. To provide tags, inventory sheets, and other necessary forms.
3. To provide your monthly statement and check by the 7th of each month, if at all possible, made out to the person whose Social Security number is on record.
4. To provide you with necessary information in a timely manner
5. To offer members 50% discount on AHC sponsored shows. **(If financially possible.)**

*** AHC Board of Directors may remove any member who does not fulfill this membership agreement. AHC also reserves the right to refuse a membership application.**

AHC has 3 categories of membership. Please read the following and indicate in the space provided which category best suits you:

Please indicate whether you wish to be a voting or non-voting member of AHC in the appropriate space below. Voting members bear the responsibility of attending general membership meetings and casting their vote on various issues that may come up throughout the year, including changes in AHC's by-laws and election of officers and board members. A quorum of voting members must be present at meetings or a vote may not be taken, so it is important, if you choose to be a voting member, to attend membership meetings. Non-voting members are welcome to attend membership meetings as well as any AHC function, but may not cast a vote, be it by ballot, verbal or raising of hands if such action is called for. The choice to be a voting or non-voting member will be presented on each new year's membership applications.

_____ I wish to be a voting member (initial)

_____ I wish to be a non-voting member (initial) (dues are the same)

_____40% Non-working crafter: If you are unable to work in the store or participate on a committee, but wish to sell your crafts in our store, you will receive 60% of your crafts' selling price.

_____30% working crafter: If you contribute 8 hours each month working in the store and/or on one or more of our committees, you will receive 70% of your crafts' selling price.

_____20% working crafter: If you contribute more than 16 hours each month, of which a minimum of 16 hours will be spent working behind the counter in the store. Additional hours spent on committee work or in additional 4 hour shifts working in the store, you will receive 80% of your crafts selling price.

If you have chosen to be a working crafter, please read and fill out the attached sheet.

AHC is a member-driven, non- profit co-operative. We, the members, run the AHC store and programs. We are unpaid volunteers, we all are part owners and we want and need every members help. Without it the store would close.

Crafters may work extra hours to be credited to future months within (1) calendar year but may not work extra hours to make up missing hours in previous months. It is your responsibility to record your hours in the book kept at the front counter area. Remember, if you work fewer than the required hours each month and do not have extra work hours from previous months within the same calendar year that can be credited, the percentage withheld from sales of your crafts will be raised to the higher level for that month.

Crafters can give other crafters some of their extra hours if they wish or they may work for other crafters. Please notify the bookkeeper if you wish to do this.

Cashiers *will not be required* to make up any shortages that may occur on their shift,

Special Circumstances: If you have been working on a regular basis and experience a serious illness that prevents you from working for a period of time, you will continue to be paid at your current percentage until you are well.

Crafts are limited to three (3) juried categories per membership. If a husband & wife (dual membership) do more than three (3) different categories they each need to each have a separate membership.

Please list below the category you wish to sell through AHC's store this year:

Crafters will be paid on a sliding scale according to the number of hours you work each month. Crafters may work extra hours to be credited to future months (in one calendar year), but may not work to make up missing hours in a previous month. Crafters can give other crafters some of their extra hours if they wish or they may work for other crafters. Please notify the bookkeeper if you wish to do this.

Cashiers *will not be required* to make up any shortages that may occur on their shift.

I have read and agree to these conditions.

(Signature)

(Date)

Blocks below to be completed by AHC representative:

Date _____ Returning crafter # _____ Dual membership # _____

Juried Date _____ New Crafter# _____