

CLARKE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Account Information single joint membership

First _____ Last _____ SSN/DLN _____

Spouse First _____ Last _____ SSN/DLN _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Daytime Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Billing Information

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Physical Address

Check here if same as billing address

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Occupants over 18 years of age

First _____ Last _____

First _____ Last _____

Employer Information

Employer Name and Address

Spouse Employer Name and Address

Service Information

Date taking possession _____

Own Rent

Landlord and phone number _____

Authorized Cooperative Representative _____

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Account Number _____ Patronage Number _____ Rev/Rate _____ Deposit Amount _____ Doc. Vault Cert.

Would you like to participate in the Operation Round-Up program? If you do not wish to participate, check below.

No, I do not want to participate in the Operation Round-Up program.

MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

The undersigned, (hereinafter "Applicant") hereby applies for membership in, and agrees to purchase electric energy from Clarke Electric Cooperative, Inc., (hereinafter "cooperative"), upon the following terms and conditions:

1. The Applicant shall purchase from the Cooperative electric utility service or other services furnished by the Cooperative to be used on the premises described below, and will pay therefore monthly, at rates which will be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Cooperative, in accordance with the bylaws of the Cooperative.
2. The Applicant will comply with and be bound by the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Cooperative, and such rules and regulations may, from time to time, be adopted by the Cooperative.
3. The applicant hereby grants the Cooperative the right of ingress and egress on real property owned or controlled by Applicant, during reasonable times, for the purpose of installing, inspecting, repairing, replacing, maintaining, reading and reordering of all equipment necessary to provide electric service to the Applicant.
4. The Applicant's premises shall be wired in accordance with wiring specifications approved by the National Electric Code. All service lines supplying the Applicant's premises with electric energy, all meters, and all other materials, appliances, and equipment constructed or installed by the Cooperative in, on or under the property of the Applicant, except so much thereof as shall be purchased by the Applicant, shall at all times remain the property of the Cooperative, and the Cooperative shall have the right and privilege to enter upon Applicant's premises to repair, service, and upon discontinuance of service, to remove same.
5. The Applicant agrees to provide and maintain a clear route, free from obstruction, for the purpose of constructing and maintaining electrical service. The Applicant has the responsibility to cut, trim or clear any trees, limbs, branches, or shrubbery that may interfere with the electric service. Applicant further grants the Cooperative permission to do the same without incurring any obligation to so act, if in the Cooperative's sole assessment such action becomes necessary. It is agreed that the Cooperative is hereby released and held harmless by Applicant from any damage, injury or loss associated with line clearance on Applicant's property, which the Cooperative undertakes in good faith, to ensure continuity of service for Applicant and other member-users of the Cooperative.
6. The Applicant, if a landowner, agrees to allow the Cooperative to cut, trim, clear, spray or remove any foliage or debris that, in the opinion of the Cooperative, is necessary to ensure that safe and reliable delivery of electric energy to the Applicant and other member-users of the Cooperative. The Applicant also agrees to hold the Cooperative harmless for any damages, either real or perceived, associated with this process. The Cooperative shall take all reasonable precautions so as not to damage the member-user's property as part of this process. This authorization shall also pertain to all Cooperative-owned facilities, which may be located on, in or along the Applicant's property.
7. Acceptance of this Application, and the furnishing of the utility service by the Cooperative to the Applicant, shall constitute an acceptance of the above offer to purchase utility service, and the contract between the Applicant and the Cooperative shall continue in force until such time as the Cooperative no longer provides service to the Applicant.
8. The Applicant, by becoming a member, assumes no personal liability, or responsibility for the debts or liabilities of the Cooperative, and it is expressly understood that the Applicant's private property is exempt from execution for any such debts or liabilities.
9. The Cooperative shall be operated in accordance with the laws of the State of Iowa and its revenues shall be allocated and distributed in accordance with the provisions of Iowa Code Chapter 499 (1999), as it may be amended from time to time.
10. This application is made in consideration of similar applications by others and is understood to be an agreement with such applicants.

ACCEPTANCE

This Agreement is accepted by the Member/Consumer on this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Spouse/Co-Applicant

Requirements for Service

1. We require a letter of credit from your previous electric provider showing your payment history for the last 12 months. If the letter of credit shows more than 1 late payment in the last 12 months, a deposit equal to the highest bill in the last 12 months at this service location will be charged to your account.
2. Please return credit reference with enclosed signed membership or may be faxed to 641-342-6292 or email to clarke@cecnet.net.
3. Check out our website at www.cecnet.net, and look at the other services the Cooperative offers, including rebates and energy audits.

FOR YOUR PROTECTION

Clarke Electric Cooperative will not disclose to non-affiliated third parties any information, including personal, financial or consumption histories, without the expressed consent of the member/consumer. The Cooperative does reserve the right to use information for purposes relevant to prudent engineering and design practices and power procurement practices, which are consistent with industry requirements, and for the betterment of the Cooperative and its membership, as a whole.

COLLECTION OF INFORMATION:

We may collect non-public personal information from the following:

- Information we receive from you on applications or forms.
- Information regarding payment histories, consumption history, demand history or capacity requirements.
- Information from inspections, customer services and customer reporting services.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION:

We restrict access to non-public personal information for all member/consumers to only those employees or affiliate who need to know specific information to provide products and services to the member/consumer. We maintain physical, electronic and procedural safeguards that, to the best of our abilities, provide prudent and sufficient protection for all non-public personal information.

Information shall not be released to any third party until such time as the member/consumer approves, in writing, such authorization. Forms for the release may be obtained from the Cooperative office.

Account # _____

DATA COLLECTION INFORMATION

NEW PATRONS

As a participant in federal programs, through the Rural Utility Services, Clarke Electric Cooperative, Inc. is required to identify and document as accurately as possible the racial/ethnic data on the eligible population on our service area. We would appreciate your checking the appropriate group listed below and returning this form to us with your completed membership application.

Please note, your response is optional. The information you provide will be used **only** for Federal Government Reporting purposes.

Should you have any questions, please contact us at 641-342-2173 or 1-800-362-2154.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

RACIAL / ETHNIC GROUP:

- a. White (not of Hispanic Origin) _____
- b. Black (not of Hispanic Origin) _____
- c. Hispanic _____
- d. American Indian or Alaskan Native _____
- e. Asian or Pacific Islander _____
- f. Other _____

Please return this form with your membership application to:

**Clarke Electric Cooperative, Inc.
1103 N. Main St
PO Box 161
Osceola, IA 50213**