



**The American Ferret Association, Inc**

**Welcome to the AFA Registered Ferretry Name Program !**

**This packet is designed to assist you with registering your ferretry name with the AFA. The following information is contained in this packet:**

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# AFA Registered Ferretry Name Program

The American Ferret Association offers breeders the Registered Ferretry Name Program to protect the use of their ferretry's name in the naming of their ferrets at AFA shows. The use of a registered ferretry name allows breeders to name ferrets of their breeding in an identifiable manner creating a prominent familial foundation for their ferrets. A fee of \$50 (\$25 of which is a non-refundable processing fee) is required with registration.

I wish to register my ferretry name with the AFA. I understand the fee is for a 5 year registration and must be renewed for \$25 every 5 years there after. The ferretry name approved will be for my exclusive use or for use by the additionally named co-owner. I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the AFA as pertaining to ferretries. If you fail to renew your ferretry name (more than a 90 day lapse) you must also include the \$25 non-refundable processing fee again.

### Rules pertaining to Ferretry Name Registration

*Please read the following requirements carefully. All requirements must be met at the time of application for the granting of a Registered Ferretry Name. Application information will be verified through review of appropriate records.*

1. May not be listed on the American Ferret Association banned breeder list.
2. May **not** have an interest in/sell to a pet store, ferret dealership, ferret research, ferret broker, commercial sales and auctions.

*The following conditions govern the granting of a Registered Ferretry Name:*

1. The name may be a unique word created by the applicant. Ferretry names and acronyms must be unique. No abbreviations or variations of existing ferretry names are allowed. No hyphens or special characters are allowed.
2. A ferretry can only have one registered ferretry name and acronym.
3. A ferretry name, letters, characters and spaces, may not exceed thirty (30) total characters and spaces. A ferretry acronym may not exceed five (5) characters.
4. The breeder's registered ferretry name should be added as a prefix, is restricted to the prefix and must be abbreviated by the registered acronym of the registered ferretry name.
5. A new owner's registered ferretry name should be added as a suffix preceded by "of" when this is possible, is restricted to the suffix and must be abbreviated by the registered acronym of the owner's registered ferretry name. A ferret's name may include only one ferretry name prefix and one ferretry name suffix.
6. A maximum of two Registered Ferretry Name owners is allowed.
7. The name may not have been used more than incidentally and rarely by other breeders or owners in naming ferrets in the past 10 years. This will be verified through AFA show records and/or breeder records.
8. Ineligible words would include, but are not limited to, conflict either phonetically or in spelling with: AFA titles, name of cities, family names, corporations or trade names, names of famous and universally recognized persons, living or dead, or words commonly used in the naming of ferrets.
9. A ferretry name may not contain any derogatory or discriminatory words.

Each application for a Registered Ferretry Name is considered on its merit. Application data will be verified through AFA show/ breeder records. The granting of a Registered Ferretry Name is at the sole discretion of the American Ferret Association. The American Ferret Association reserves the right to reject an application or revoke a name once it has been registered.

<b>Example:</b>	<b>Ferretry Name:</b>	<b>Hot Shot</b>
	<b>Breeder Ferretry Name:</b>	<b>Wonderful World of Weasels (Acronym Prefix = WWW)</b>
	<b>Owner Ferretry Name:</b>	<b>Ferret Heaven (Acronym Suffix = FH)</b>
	<b>AFA Show Name:</b>	<b>WWW's Hot Shot of FH</b>



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# AFA Registered Ferretry Name Application

I (We) are applying for the following AFA Registered Ferretry Name:

First Choice																																			
Second Choice																																			
Third Choice																																			
Ferretry Acronym	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice													2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice											3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice										

## Owner of Registered Ferretry Name

Name																
Street Address																
City/State/Zip																
Phone Number	(		)									AFA Member #:				
Email Address																

## Co-Owner of Registered Ferretry Name, If Applicable

Name																
Street Address																
City/State/Zip																
Phone Number	(		)									AFA Member #:				
Email Address																

**\$50 (\$25 registration/\$25 processing) fee must accompany application. Renewal fee is \$25 (if not lapsed) for another 5 year period. AFA Breeder Level Members may take a 20% discount. Payment may be made by check, money order or credit card. If paying by credit card, please complete the section below:**

CHARGE MY:	<input type="checkbox"/> VISA	<input type="checkbox"/> MASTERCARD	<input type="checkbox"/> DISCOVER										
ACCOUNT NUMBER:							EXP:			CCV:			
SIGNATURE:													
PRINTED NAME ON CARD:													

**I (We) hereby certify:**

**That the information given on this form is true and accurate to the best of my (our) knowledge.**

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Applicant's Signature Date

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Co-Applicant's Signature Date

**Complete, sign and return this form with your check in the amount of \$50 or \$25 U.S. to:  
AFA/Registered Ferretry Name, PO Box 554, Frederick, MD 21705-0554**



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## Documented Proof Worksheet

Complete worksheet below listing all ferrets owned or co-owned by you that are currently or recently participating in AFA shows. This must be a documented involvement and ferret(s) show records will be verified. For additional space attach pages as necessary. If you have not participated in AFA shows, please list breeders you have worked with or clients who have purchased your ferrets with contact information for verification.

Ferret/Breeder/Client Names and Contact Information

