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American Emu Association  
510 W. Madison Street  
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### **Our Mission Statement**

The American Emu Association is dedicated to developing structural support and visionary leadership for the emu industry.

### **AEA Code of Conduct**

1. To be familiar with the purpose and objectives of the Association and to promote its aim actively.
2. To present conduct that at all times reflects dignity and respect for the Association and other members.
3. To keep inviolate any confidence that may be entrusted to said member.
4. To refuse participation in questionable enterprises and to refuse to engage in any business that is contrary to law or public welfare.
5. To guard against unwanted insinuations that reflect upon the character or integrity of other members, officers or staff of this Association.

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## **American Emu Association** Application for Membership



[www.aea-emu.org](http://www.aea-emu.org)

## American Emu Association

Formed in 1989, the AEA is a national, member driven, non-profit agricultural association dedicated to the emu industry. AEA promotes public awareness of emu products, fosters research and publishes a quarterly newsletter and several industry brochures.

We invite anyone interested in this form of alternative agriculture to check out our library of emu farming information, visit at least one established emu farm and sit in on a local emu association meeting. If you are involved in the emu industry, we hope you will join us as we advance the industry; new members are always welcome.

To find out more about emu meat and the co-products available from this amazing ratite, visit the products page on our website at [www.aea-emu.org](http://www.aea-emu.org). For more information, please visit our Affiliate Organizations page.

**Industry:** The American Emu Association represents an alternative agricultural industry, dominated by the small farmer, who is committed to humane and environmentally positive practices that produce high quality, beneficial products.

Emu are raised on feed formulated to optimize growth in spacious pens providing ample room to grow. In addition to a Heart Healthy red meat, emu provide several co-products. This includes the fat, which is rendered into a safe, and stable oil used in cosmetic and health products. The leather is crafted into beautiful goods with the feathers being used for industrial, fashion and craft purposes. The large green eggs are used by egg artists and crafters. There are niche markets for all parts of this totally usable bird.

## What Has the AEA Done for the U.S. Emu Industry?

1. The AEA is active in ag and legislative awareness (laws, appropriations, etc.)
  2. In 2008, obtained U.S. Postal Service approval to ship day-old emu chicks.
- NOTE** – *New postal regulations and health regulations have been enacted over the years. Follow all requirements. With the current delay in postal mailings, the AEA does "NOT" recommend the shipping of emu chicks through the US Postal Service.*
3. Continually seeks and funds research that benefits the emu industry.
  4. Creates radio and Social Media ads.
  5. Developed emu meat TV commercials for member use.
  6. Utilizes various avenues for press releases.
  7. Continually creates and updates brochures, publications, newsletters, etc.
  8. Maintains "Member Only" email and Facebook lists and lots of information in the AEA website's "Members Area".
  9. Maintains an American Oil Chemist Society (AOCS) presence.
  10. Holds an annual emu industry National Convention.
  11. Has developed a feed formulator CD to ensure a balanced feed that meets the emu's nutritional needs.
  12. Business aids have been made available, such as, the "What's an Emu?" CD presentation for schools or groups, "Marketing your Farm for N.E.W. and Beyond" CD, the "Pricing for Profits" CD, etc., plus various videos in the "Members Area".



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**AEA/Affiliate Membership Application**

1 yr Membership \_\_\_\_\_ \$125 (including Emu Primer)  
 Includes one vote per membership, quarterly newsletter, and access to member email list.  
 3 yr Membership \_\_\_\_\_ \$300 (including Emu Primer)  
 Veteran's Discount - Service veterans will receive a 10% membership discount with appropriate ID verification.  
 Add to Breeders List Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ (No cost at this time)  
 The American Emu Association has state and regional affiliates to support members on a local level. Your AEA and affiliate membership year is effective on the date of receipt of your application and runs until the end of that month the following year. Membership dues can be paid on-line or sent to: American Emu Association, 510 W. Madison Street, Ottawa, IL 61350. The AEA reserves the right to approve or refuse membership in the Association. Questions?  
 Write to us at [info@aea-emu.org](mailto:info@aea-emu.org).  
 Make checks payable to the American Emu Association.

Owns Emus  Yes  No  
 Sell Oil / Meat  Yes  No  
 Have You Read  Yes  No  
 Code of Ethics?  
 Where is your farm located?  
 City/State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Years in emu business \_\_\_\_\_

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