

PLEASE CAREFULLY READ INSTRUCTION

INSTRUCTIONS TO PERSONS FOR COMPLETING AND FILING AN APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT WITH THE YANKTON SIOUX TRIBE OF INDIANS OF SOUTH DAKOTA. ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED AS COMPLETE, NO LETTER OF ELIGIBILITY WILL BE SENT OUT UNTIL APPLICATION IS COMPLETED.

- 1.) **AN APPLICATION** MUST BE FILED FOR OR ON THE BEHALF OF EACH PERSON WHO WISHES TO BE ENROLLED
- 2.) **ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**, IF POSSIBLE. FAILURE TO SUPPLY NECESSARY INFORMATION MAY DELAY THE PROCESSING OF YOUR APPLICATION OR RESULT IN THE APPLICATION BEING DENIED FOR ENROLLMENT.
- 3.) **A STATE CERTIFIED BIRTH CERTIFICATE**, WHICH SHOWS THE PARENT / CHILD RELATIONSHIP, IF THE FATHER IS THE ONE POSSESSING THE INDIAN BLOOD, HIS NAME NEEDS TO BE ON THE BIRTH CERTIFICATE, IF NOT, A PATERNITY AFFIDAVIT NEEDS TO ACCOMPANY THE APPLICATION PROVING RELATIONSHIP. **FAILURE TO PROVIDE SUCH DOCUMENTS MAY RESULT IN THE APPLICANTS DENIAL.**
- 4.) **AN ABSTRACT OR BLOOD DEGREE CERTIFICATE** FROM MOTHER / FATHER AFFILIATED AGENCY / TRIBE SHOWING HIS / HER ROLL NUMBER, DATE OF BIRTH AND DEGREE OF INDIAN BLOOD MUST BE ATTACHED, IF THE APPLICANT WISHES TO INCLUDE THIS BLOOD. **FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN A LOWER BLOOD QUANTUM.**
- 5.) **REQUIREMENTS FOR ENROLLMENT:** ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP SECTION 1 (A) 2 READS **“ALL CHILDREN BORN TO MEMBERS MUST POSSES AT LEAST ONE-FOURTH (1/4) DEGREE INDIAN BLOOD OF WHICH ONE-EIGHTH MUST BE YANKTON SIOUX INDIAN BLOOD.**
- 6.) **SECTION 10 – ADOPTION INTO MEMBERSHIP** – PERSONS OF ONE-QUARTER(1/4) OR MORE DEGREE OF YANKTON SIOUX BLOOD INDIAN BLOOD – NEITHER PARENT ENROLLED MAY BE ADOPTED INTO MEMBERSHIP UPON SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE AND APPROVED BY THE MAJORITY VOTE OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.
- 7.) **BURDEN OF PROOF:** **THE BURDEN OF PROOF LIES STRICTLY WITH THE APPLICANT OR REPRESENTATIVE FILING ON BEHALF OF AN APPLICANT,** THE ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT WILL NOT PROCESS AN APPLICATION UNTIL ALL PROPER DOCUMENTS ARE SUBMITTED.
- 8.) RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR EACH PERSON WHO WISHES TO BE ENROLLED TO:

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