

Midwest Elderberry Cooperative Membership Options

Full Membership

- Requires a one-time, \$500/business entity purchase of Class A stock
- Membership fee is 100% at risk (MEC board determines use of funds)
- Open to any **Midwest grower** of elderberries.
- Provides:
 - voting rights
 - the right to sell a given quantity of elderberries to MEC at board-established price through ownership of Class C stock
 - access to MEC-owned resources at board-established toll fee
 - free access to MEC educational events and resource materials

Associate Membership

- A non-voting Associate Member is a person or entity who wants to support the Cooperative and/or be involved in the success of the Cooperative, but will not be a voting Member.
- Annual fee of \$100/business entity
- Affiliate fee is 100% at risk (MEC board determines uses of funds)
- Provides:
 - opportunity to sell elderberries to MEC at board-established price
 - access to MEC-owned resources at board-established toll fees
 - free access to MEC educational events and resource materials
 - opportunity to roll-over to Full Membership.
- Each year of Associate membership will contribute \$100 toward a Full Membership.

Annual fees are counted from the beginning of the month paid and will last at least 12 months.