

National Society Descendants of American Railroad Workers Application Instructions

Membership in the Society shall be open to any man or woman age 18 or over who can prove direct, lineal descent from an American Railroad Worker who served between March 4th, 1825 – December 31st 1945. This shall be defined as a male or female resident of the United States of America, Canada or Mexico who worked on or for the Railroad Companies and includes mail service agents employed by the US Postal Service who specifically worked on trains.

Please complete the following steps:

- Download the Application form (Version 1.2) and save it to your computer.
- Fill it out in its entirety.
 - If you are using a verified application form from another society, please cite that application in the "source" column. You do not have to re-write the proofs but you do need to re-write the lineage.
- Print out all supporting documentation and label it with the corresponding generation number(s). Proof is required for any dates and places given, and for generational links, and must conform to the generally accepted standard of genealogical proof. The Registrar's decisions on matters of proof shall be final.
 - Do NOT send original copies of documents as they will not be returned. All copies of vital records of living people will be shredded after verification.
- Underline in **red ink** all relevant information on each document.
- Print and sign the application form, along with a check for \$225 made out to **National Society Descendants of American Railroad Workers** and mail to:

National Society Descendants of American Railroad Workers ATTN: Aaron Cross 6580 Cubbage Dr. Colorado Springs, CO 80924

Membership is a one-time fee of \$225 which includes standard insignia and a certificate. Miniature insignia will be available for \$30 plus shipping. There are no yearly dues.

Supplemental applications are \$55, or \$75 (plus shipping) with certificate, and will follow the same format.

Youth Membership is available for those under the age of 18 at a cost of \$125 with the option to convert to full membership for 100 on or after their 18^{th} birthday.