



VERMONT SECRETARY OF STATE

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ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION (non-profits and cooperatives)

Corporate name \_\_\_\_\_

(the word cooperative must be used if the corporation is incorporating as a cooperative)

Name of registered agent \_\_\_\_\_

A registered agent is an individual or a domestic or foreign corporation, profit or non-profit, whose business office is identical to the address of the registered office. The registered office must be located in Vermont. A registered agent receives various kinds of legal notices, including service of process for the corporation. A corporation cannot act as its own registered agent.

Address of registered office \_\_\_\_\_ VT \_\_\_\_\_

(street; not PO Box of place of business)

(city)

(zip)

The period of duration shall be (if not perpetual so state) \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the box that applies for your corporation:

- ☐ Non-profit corporation (T.11,Ch.19,Sec.2351-2619)    ☐ Cooperative Marketing Act (T.11,Ch.7,Sec.991-1031)  
☐ Worker Cooperative (T.11,Ch. 8,Sec.1081-1092)    ☐ Cooperative Housing Ownership Act (T.11,Ch.14,Sec.1581-1609)

Operating year end \_\_\_\_\_ Dec. 31st shall be designated if one is not given.

DIRECTORS:

Non-profit corporations must have at least 3 directors.

Marketing cooperatives must have at least 5 directors.

Worker cooperatives are governed under T.11A; no set number of directors.

Housing cooperatives must have at least 3 directors.

Names and complete addresses of the individuals who will serve as the initial board of directors:

\_\_\_\_\_  
name and address

\_\_\_\_\_  
name and address

\_\_\_\_\_  
name and address

\_\_\_\_\_  
name and address

\_\_\_\_\_  
name and address

NUMBER OF SHARES AUTHORIZED: (IF STATUTE ALLOWS) Non-profits governed by T.11, Ch.19 cannot authorize shares.

Please refer to the appropriate statute to determine whether additional information is required to be included in your articles. Corporations wishing to obtain tax exempt status from the Internal Revenue Service may want to include certain provisions required by the IRS in their original articles.

**PURPOSES:**

**NON-PROFIT CORPORATIONS UNDER T.11, CH.19, ARE REQUIRED TO FILE STATUS REPORTS EVERY 5 YEARS. THE SECRETARY OF STATE WILL SEND NOTICE WHEN IT IS DUE. COOPERATIVES CHARTERED AS "PROFIT" ARE REQUIRED TO FILE A REPORT EACH YEAR AT THE CLOSE OF ITS FISCAL YEAR END.**

*One or more persons of majority age (18) may act as incorporator by signing below. At least one of the incorporators in a non-profit corporation under T.11, chapter 19 shall be a resident of Vermont.*

VT incorporators signature

Address of VT resident

Incorporators signature\_\_\_\_\_

*Address* \_\_\_\_\_

**FEES**     \$     - *Non-profit corporation, T.11, Ch.19*  
               \$     - *Worker Cooperative, T.11, Ch.8*  
               \$     - *Cooperative Housing Ownership Act, T.11, Ch.14*  
               \$     - *Cooperative Marketing Act, T.11, Ch.7*

*This document must be typewritten or printed and filed in duplicate.*

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*fee of \_\_\_\_\_ has been paid.*