

## Membership Application Cover Letter

Thank you for your request to join the Nebraska Independent Fabric Shops organization (NIFS). Our primary purpose is to support the small, independent shops that may not have the support or resources to develop purchasing power, marketing strategies or advertising opportunities.

Nebraska Independent Fabric Shops is an organization with the purpose of strengthening, developing coordinating and promoting Nebraska independent fabric shops, to unify the charter groups, to formulate an organization to which Nebraska independent fabric shop owners can belong if they meet the requirements, to develop and promote statewide promotions and to operate as a nonprofit organization.

## Nebraska Independent Fabric Shops Membership Requirements

1. Must have a store front which is open all twelve months of the year, with regularly posted hours.
2. Attend a minimum of one meeting each year if not participating in the Shop Hop or a minimum of two meetings each year if participating in the Shop Hop
3. Serve on a committee or hold office at least every other year.
4. Pay dues and other fees on time.
5. Sixty percent majority of the store's inventory must consist of regular priced cotton quilting fabric and books, patterns, and notions related to quilting with a minimum of 500 bolts of first quality cotton fabric.
6. Must carry adequate liability insurance and provide a copy of your Certificate of Liability insurance form each year.
7. All rules and deadlines must be followed.

A current NIFS member may visit the store.

Please fill out the following application. Applications are due by June 1, 2019 for the 2019-2020 membership year. You will be notified as soon as we make a decision.

Any application received after that date, may join NIFS but, will not be eligible for the 2020 Shop Hop.

If you have any questions, please e-mail Mary White at [admin@creativecollectiblequilts.com](mailto:admin@creativecollectiblequilts.com).

## Application for Membership to Nebraska Independent Fabric Shops

Name of Business \_\_\_\_\_

Owner(s) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Business \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Website \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years in Business \_\_\_\_\_

Fabric Companies You Purchase From \_\_\_\_\_

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Number of Regular-Priced Cotton Quilting Fabric Bolts (First Quality Run) \_\_\_\_\_

Please include:

- Pictures of your store front and at least two interior pictures
- An invoice for over \$300 from a supplier
- Proof of liability insurance

Due by June 1, 2019

Send to: Mary White

Creative Collectible Quilts & Crafts

332 East Square

Humboldt, NE 68376

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