



# INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE IRAR REGISTRATION FORM

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**Registration Name** (variety denomination): Please enter the generic name of your rose variety, whether in the form of a coded denomination or a fancy name. Do not include any trademark information. If you wish to use a coded denomination, and have not previously been assigned a three-letter prefix for inclusion, submit a request [here](#).

**American Exhibition Name:** Enter the fancy name that is used by American Rose Growers / Introdurers. This name is preferred for exhibiting in American Rose Society rose exhibits/competition.

**Synonyms:** Enter fancy names used for commercial purposes outside of the United States along with the country of introduction.

If you are proposing to register the rose variety with a generic name which includes the surname of an individual or the registered name of an organization, please submit a letter of authorization from said individual (or appropriate family member) or organization. The authorization form can be found [here](#). Then click to fill out the online form.

## Requirements for Coded Denominations:

- Cultivar names/denominations must be different from any other rose name/denomination
- Cultivar names/denominations must not be a translation of the name/denomination of any other rose variety
- Cultivar names/denominations must not exaggerate the merits of a rose variety
- Cultivar names/denominations must not be the same as the botanical or common name of another plant species
- Cultivar names/denominations must not include the words cross, hybrid, grex, group, maintenance, seedling, mutant, selection, sport, or strain or the plural forms of these words, improved and transformed, (or equivalents in any language).
- Cultivar names/denominations must consist of no more than 10 syllables and no more than 30 letters or characters overall, excluding spaces and the demarcating marks.
- Cultivar names/denominations may not contain punctuation marks except for the apostrophe (‘), the comma (,), a single exclamation mark (!), the hyphen (-), or the period or full stop (.).

No other condition other than those referred to above are imposed for the formation of a rose variety name/denomination identifying the rose variety.

To avoid delays in the rose registration process, please be sure to include all required information as identified on the electronic form within [modernroses.org](http://modernroses.org).

**Photos** of the rose variety are strongly encouraged but not required with the EXCEPTION of **Sports/Mutations**. Photos of all sports are required as are comments regarding the variety of origin and how this sport is distinct from the variety of origin.

This IRAR will assist you with any questions you may have regarding the registration process.