

Individual or Joint Account Application



Homestead
Funds

Use this form to open a non-retirement account with Homestead Funds.

Return your completed application to Homestead Funds by mail to:

Regular Mail

Homestead Funds
P.O. Box 46707
Cincinnati, OH 45246-0707

Overnight Mail

Homestead Funds
225 Pictoria Drive
Suite 450
Cincinnati, OH 45246

Before completing this application, see the prospectus, which is available at homesteadfunds.com. If you have any questions, call us at 800.258.3030.

Important Notice — The USA Patriot Act

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each person who opens an account.

When you open an account, we will ask for your name, address, date of birth and other information that will allow us to identify you. This information will be verified to ensure the identity of all individuals opening a mutual fund account.

1. Ownership

The USA Patriot Act requires mutual funds to collect identification information, including birth date, for all account owners. We cannot process your application if this information is not provided. Homestead Funds does not accept accounts registered to foreign individuals, including foreign correspondent accounts.

Be sure to sign your completed form (Section 12).

First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Social Security Number Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) / /

Check one:

U.S. Citizen U.S. Resident

Email address

Daytime Telephone Number (in case we have questions)

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◆ **If a Joint Account**

Joint Owner's First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Social Security Number Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) / /

Check one:

U.S. Citizen U.S. Resident

Daytime Telephone Number (in case we have questions)

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You must provide a valid email address. All shareholders and account custodians (if applicable) will use the email address listed on the application to create their online account log-in. No personal information will be sent to the email address.

Joint accounts will be registered as joint tenants with right of survivorship unless you specify otherwise.

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1. Ownership (continued)

Joint Owner's First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Social Security Number Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) / /

Check one:

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2. Address

Owner/First Joint Owner's Residential Street Address

City State Zip Code

◆ **If Joint Owner's residential street address is different than above**

Joint Owner's Street Address

City State Zip Code

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City State Zip Code

◆ **If you want mail sent to an address other than the Owner/Joint Owner's street address**

Mailing Address (Your mailing address may be a P.O. Box)

City State Zip Code

A P.O. Box will not be accepted as a residential street address. A rural route, APO or FPO address will be accepted.

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3. Electronic Delivery

If you consent, an email will be sent each time your fund materials are available for viewing online. Instructions for accessing your materials will be provided in the email. You may revoke e-delivery consent at any time allowing you to receive printed materials.

Select to receive notification of the following checked fund documents electronically.

Trade Confirmations Quarterly Account Statements Prospectus & Shareholder Reports

4. Investment Amount

Write in the amount of your initial investment.

Total Dollars (\$500 minimum)

\$

Indicate method of investment. Check one:

- By check**
We accept personal checks with preprinted name and address made payable directly to Homestead Funds. We do not accept third party checks, credit card convenience checks, bank account starter checks, cash or cash equivalents (including money orders, traveler's checks, or bearer bonds).
- By ACH transfer**
Upon receipt of this application, we will initiate an electronic funds transfer from the account you indicate in **Section 11**.
- By wire transfer**
Call us at 800.258.3030 for transfer instructions.
- From a Homestead Funds pre-existing account**
This option is used when inheriting or transferring an existing account.

If you are opening your new account with a check, wire or ACH transfer, complete this section. If you are funding your account only by establishing the Automatic Investment Plan, you may skip to **Section 6**.

If you are investing by ACH there is a maximum daily investment amount of \$100,000 per account. There is no daily maximum if you are investing by check or wire.

5. Fund Selections

Indicate how the amount in **Section 4** should be allocated.

Daily Income Fund (168)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Short-Term Government Securities Fund (170)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Intermediate Bond Fund (171)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Short-Term Bond Fund (172)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Stock Index Fund (174)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Value Fund (176)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Small-Company Stock Fund (178)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
International Equity Fund (180)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Growth Fund (182)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Rural America Growth and Income Fund (414)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Total (Must match amount from Section 4)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %

If you are opening your new account with a check, wire or ACH transfer, complete this section. If you are funding your new account only by establishing the Automatic Investing Program, you may skip to **Section 6**.

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6. Automatic Investment Plan

In addition to or instead of sending a check with this application, you may elect to fund your account by making regular investments transferred directly from your bank account (complete **Section A**) or paycheck (complete **Section B**).

A. ACH transfer from Bank Account

Transfer frequency:

Monthly Quarterly Semi-annually Annually

Purchase Date (mm/dd/yyyy) — Your automatic purchases will occur on the day you provide or the next business day if the market is closed on your specified day. If you select the 29th, 30th or 31st, for any month without that many days, the system will schedule the last business day of the month for your purchase.

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Indicate how the amount above should be allocated.

Daily Income Fund (168)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Short-Term Government Securities Fund (170)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Intermediate Bond Fund (171)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Short-Term Bond Fund (172)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Stock Index Fund (174)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Value Fund (176)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Small-Company Stock Fund (178)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
International Equity Fund (180)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Growth Fund (182)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
Rural America Growth and Income Fund (414)	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %
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Total	\$ <input type="text"/>	or	<input type="text"/> %

Complete this section to sign up for the Automatic Investment Plan and have money moved regularly from your bank account to your fund account. You must also complete **Section 11**.

B. Payroll Deduction

Select the funds you will be investing in. You do not need to indicate investment amount at this time.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Daily Income Fund (168) | <input type="checkbox"/> Value Fund (176) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Short-Term Government Securities Fund (170) | <input type="checkbox"/> Small-Company Stock Fund (178) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate Bond Fund (171) | <input type="checkbox"/> International Equity Fund (180) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Short-Term Bond Fund (172) | <input type="checkbox"/> Growth Fund (182) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stock Index Fund (174) | <input type="checkbox"/> Rural America Growth and Income Fund (414) |

Complete this section to set up an account for receipt of payroll deductions to be sent by your employer. We will mail your new account numbers and other information you will need to provide to your payroll office to initiate deposits.

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7. Dividends and Capital Gains

All distributions will be automatically reinvested in your fund account unless you make a different election here.

Dividends and Short-Term Capital Gains:

- Pay by Check Sent to Address of Record
- Pay by Direct Deposit to Bank Account
You must also complete Section 11.

Long-Term Capital Gains:

- Pay by Check Sent to Address of Record
- Pay by Direct Deposit to Bank Account
You must also complete Section 11.

8. Cost Basis Election

Homestead Funds will report cost basis information to both shareholders and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on mutual fund shares acquired and subsequently redeemed after January 1, 2012. In order to deliver this service to you, we ask that you select a cost basis accounting method for your new account. If you do not elect a method, our default method of Average Cost will be used.

Please choose one of the following available methods:

- Average Cost** — the purchase price of all covered shares in the account are averaged
- First In, First Out** — depletes shares beginning with the earliest acquisition date
- Last In, First Out** — depletes shares beginning with the most recent acquisition date
- High Cost** — depletes shares beginning with the most expensive shares
- Low Cost** — depletes shares beginning with the least expensive shares
- Specific Lot Identification** — depletes shares according to the lots chosen by the shareholder. FIFO will be used for shares withdrawn due to a systematic withdrawal plan and in cases where the lots you designate are insufficient or unavailable.

Please consult your tax advisor to determine which cost basis accounting method best suits your individual tax situation.

If we cannot determine your election method, you will be defaulted to Average Cost.

9. Phone Services

We will act on your instructions to buy, exchange or sell shares by phone unless you check the box to opt out of those services below. You must have bank instructions on file to make purchases by phone.

Neither Homestead Funds nor the Transfer Agent will be liable for properly acting upon telephone instructions believed to be genuine.

Check to Opt Out:

- I DO NOT want to make **purchases, exchanges and distributions** by phone.

Please note that for phone purchases we must have bank instructions on file. Complete Section 11.

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10. Transfer on Death Beneficiary Designation

If you wish to have account assets transferred to named beneficiaries in the case of your death, or in the case of a joint account, the death of all account owners, complete a Transfer on Death Beneficiary Form (available at homesteadfunds.com) and return it with your signed application.

Transfer on death instructions can only be established for individual accounts and joint accounts registered to joint tenants with right of survivorship. Transfer on death instructions cannot be established for joint accounts registered to tenants in common or community property. Not all states allow transfer on death instructions. Please check with a qualified tax adviser to ensure it is allowable in your state before submitting a Transfer on Death Beneficiary Form.

11. Bank Information

By completing this section, you authorize Homestead Funds to deduct money from your bank account via ACH to purchase shares into your Homestead Funds account and to send redemption proceeds via wire or ACH to your bank account of record.

Be sure to complete this section if you:

- Elected to send your investment by wire or ACH transfer (**Section 4**)
- Signed up for the Automatic Investment Plan and chose to have money moved by ACH transfer from your bank account (**Section 6**)
- Elected to have distributions deposited directly in your bank account (**Section 7**)
- Want the option of having redemption proceeds deposited directly in your bank account

Account type. Check one: Checking Savings

Your request cannot be processed without a voided check or deposit slip for the account you wish to designate as your bank account of record unless you opt for us to use your initial purchase check.



Attach voided check here.

Check this box if you wish to use your initial purchase check enclosed with this application to establish banking instructions instead of using an additional voided check

Checks must be preprinted with your name and address. At least one common name must match exactly between your Homestead Funds and bank account. We do not accept starter checks. If you do not have a preprinted check please include a letter from your bank, on their letterhead, confirming your bank account registration, account number and routing number.

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12. Certifications and Signatures

By certifying this application, I represent and warrant that:

1. I have the full right, power and authority to make the investment applied for and I am of legal age in my state of residence.
2. I have read the Homestead Funds prospectus and this application and agree to be bound by the terms. I also agree that any shares purchased now or later are and will be subject to the terms of the Homestead Funds' prospectus as revised from time to time. The Homestead Funds prospectus is available at **homesteadfunds.com** or by calling **800.258.3030**.
I acknowledge that under certain circumstances specified by state law, Homestead Funds may be required to transfer my account assets to my state as abandoned property (i.e. escheated). I may consult my state's website or call my state government's escheatment customer service number for more details.
3. I am a U.S. citizen or resident and I certify, under penalty of perjury, that:
 - a. The Social Security Number shown on this form is my correct Taxpayer Identification Number.
 - b. I am not subject to backup withholding because: I am exempt from backup withholding, OR I have not been notified that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividend, OR The Internal Revenue Service has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding (Strike out this item (b) if you have been notified that you are subject to backup withholding).
4. I acknowledge that adverse income tax consequences (including possible penalties) may apply for providing false or incorrect information and certify that the information provided is accurate and correct.
5. The information in this application pertaining to account ownership, investing, funding, options and this disclosure will apply to any new fund into which my shares may be exchanged.
6. If I request transfers to or from my bank account in this application or at any time, including by telephone, electronically or otherwise, you are authorized to make those requested transfers (and to make, if necessary, adjusting transfers if any amounts are transferred in error). I understand that I can end this authorization at any time by notifying you in writing or by telephone.
7. I understand that mutual fund shares are not deposits or obligations of, or guaranteed or endorsed by, any bank, and are not federally insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Reserve Board, or any other agency of the U.S. Government, and that an investment in mutual fund shares involves risks, including the possible loss of principal..

Be sure to sign this section. We cannot act on your instructions without your signature.

Each person named in the registration must sign below.

Owner/First Joint Owner's Signature

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

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Joint Owner's Signature (if a joint account)

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

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Joint Owner's Signature (if a joint account)

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

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