



4-H Animal Project Records

In animal projects, record keeping is important for a number of reasons. The cost of a project is always important in planning for resources needed, and management changes that could be made. Health records are critical not only for management purposes but also to meet health requirements of various events. Growth results relate to the success of some projects, while training time has impact on others. Pedigrees and performance records are important for planning future matings and determining success of your breeding project.

In 4-H, record keeping is also important. A record documents a 4-H member's personal and project growth, the level of involvement and achievement, and the skills that have been learned and perfected. The 4-H program often uses this information for 4-H recognition but it is also valuable for school and job applications, resume development, and scholarships and other awards.

While the 4-H program considers record keeping a valuable skill for our members to learn and utilize, we do not see the need for duplication of record keeping efforts. To provide the necessary information to meet the needs of our various activities, it is suggested that members do the following.

As part of your county 4-H record submitted for judging, keep and include the monthly animal project record. This along with the 4-H project page will give judges of county records a fairly comprehensive view of your animal project for the year.

As part of your animal notebook that would accompany you to any events where your animal is on exhibit you may want to include the following information:

- ✓ pedigrees
- ✓ performance records such as milk production
- ✓ training record
- ✓ breeding records
- ✓ health certificates
- ✓ registrations
- ✓ approval forms
- ✓ lease forms
- ✓ inventory (animal & equipment)
- ✓ show record

Your show record is important because it serves as a verification of awards you and your animal have earned and is what you submit to the State 4-H Office when requesting entry to Eastern States for dogs, dairy goats, and sheep.

Your 4-H office has copies of forms that may be used for these purposes. In addition you may develop your own record keeping system as long as any required information is available when necessary.

4-H ANIMAL PROJECT RECORD

MEMBER _____

ANIMAL _____ REG # _____ ID# _____

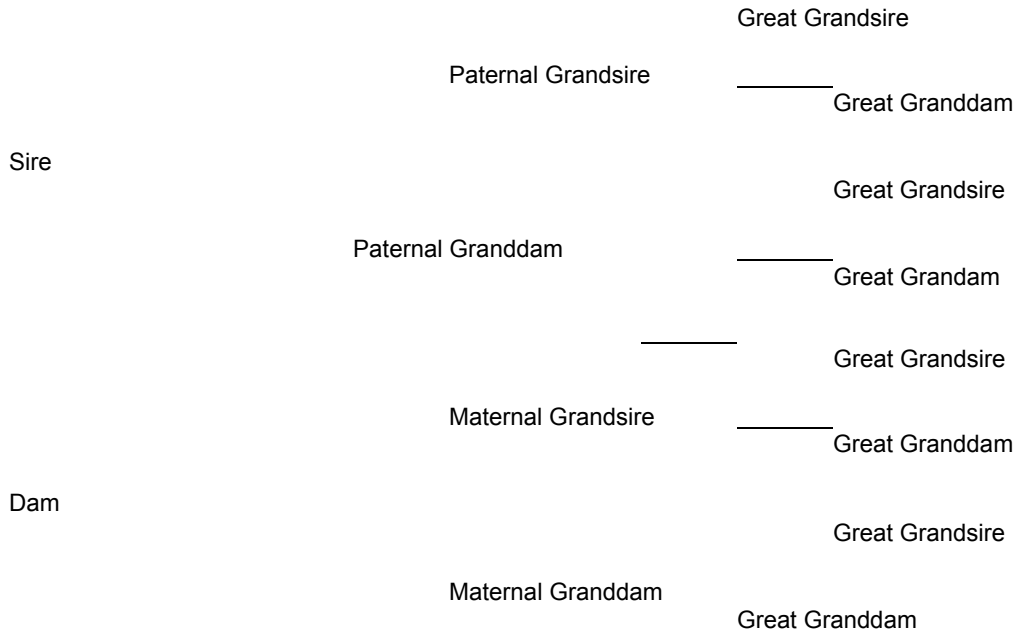
DATE OF BIRTH _____ BREED _____ SEX _____

COLOR/MARKINGS _____

DATE OBTAINED _____ VALUE OF ANIMAL _____

WT _____ OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS _____

PEDIGREE



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(Picture)

WORK RECORD

Hours worked with project animals (write down time you have spent each time you have worked with them
- ex. 5+10+30+25).

Month	Time Accumulated	T O T A L	Month	Time Accumulated	T O T A L	Month	Time Accumulated	T O T A L
Jan			May			Sept		
Feb			June			Oct		
Mar			July			Nov		
Apr			Aug			Dec		

TRAINING RECORD

Month	Focus	Month	Focus
Jan		July	
Feb		Aug	
Mar		Sept	
Apr		Oct	
May		Nov	
June		Dec	

NOTES:

HEALTH RECORD

Animal Name:

Date	Problem	Treatment	Product	Treated by	Notes

VACCINATION VERIFICATION

Attach below any receipts verifying vaccines purchased and labels from the actual bottle showing batch number. Make sure to note above when and by whom the vaccine was administered.

4-H MONTHLY ANIMAL RECORD

ANIMAL NAME _____

MONTH _____

FEED & BEDDING

Substance	Date Bought	Cost	Amount Used	Frequency	Notes

INCOME

Date	Amount	Purpose	Date	Amount	Purpose

OTHER

Date	Problem	Solution	Cost if any

Notes:

Weight at Start _____ Weight at End _____ Gain _____ ADG _____ Ht _____