

Florida 4-H Livestock Breeding Project Record Book



Name _____

Age (as of Sept. 1) _____

4-H Club _____

Project _____

Record Started _____
Month Day Year

Record Closed _____
Month Day Year

I hereby certify that as the exhibitor of this project, I have personally kept records on this project and have personally completed this record book.

Signed _____
Member Date

This youth is an active member of the _____ 4-H Club.
This record book has been completed by the youth and is an accurate record of the project.

Signed _____
4-H Club Leader Date

Youth Animal Project Agreement
(to be completed at beginning of project)

The youth is responsible for caring for the animal, which will include feeding, deworming, providing fresh clean water, providing a pen, washing, and showing. The youth will use this project as an educational tool to learn skills needed in the livestock industry. This project will also help the youth to accept success and failure as a learning experience. The youth will keep accurate records on their project animal.

I accept these responsibilities.

Date Signed-Youth

The parents are responsible for providing financial help if needed along with assistance and encouragement while the youth is raising this animal.

We accept these responsibilities.

Date Signed-Parent or Caretaker

The 4-H leader or Extension Agent is responsible for visiting the youth and the animal to give assistance when needed.

I understand these responsibilities.

Date Signed 4-H Leader or Extension Agent

***NOTE The drug statement at the back of this record book must be signed by the youth and the parent/caretaker at the beginning of this project.**

PURPOSE

The purpose of a 4-H breeding animal project is to achieve the following:

- ◆ To acquire an understanding of animal production by preparing for, purchasing, breeding, caring for and keeping records on one or more head of animals.
- ◆ To be able to identify the types and breeds of animals and employ efficient methods of production and marketing.
- ◆ To understand the business aspects and economics of purchasing animals, feed, facilities and equipment for an animal project.
- ◆ To develop integrity, sportsmanship, and cooperation.
- ◆ To develop leadership abilities, build character, and become responsible citizens.

GOALS AND ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THIS PROJECT

Choose several goals for your project. Goals should be established at the beginning of your project. They should be challenging, yet attainable. Goals should include all aspects of your project. At the close of the project, the achievements should be compared with your goals. Check off what you plan to do or write your own in the space provided. Then, have your leader initial and date the goals you achieve.

What I plan to do:	Goal	Date Achieved	Leader's Initials	Comments
	Raise my animal(s) to completion and exhibit it at the county fair.			
	Exhibit my animal(s) at fairs other than county fair.			
	Take full responsibility for the fitting and showing of my animal(s).			
	Learn how to groom and clip my project animal.			
	Be in the top 10 of my class with my breeding animal(s).			
	Complete my record book to the best of my ability.			
	Complete a Florida 4-H Award application in my project area. (Must be 14 or older to compete.)			
	Raise offspring using sound production practices			
	Sell offspring generated in this project.			
	Learn appropriate management practices.			

INVENTORY OF SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

(Add pages if necessary)

This is a record of what you have before you start your project, those items you purchase/receive during your project and what you have at the end of your project. This could include any brushes, grooming supplies, show box, barns, fences, etc.

Item Description	Number	Price	Value at the End of Project*	Note if Sold (S), Discarded (D) Lost(L) or Kept(K)
ex. Brush	1	\$ 1500	\$ 000	L
ex. Show Halter	1	5000	4500	K
TOTALS		\$	\$	

* Use fair market value and include depreciation. This is because every item decreases in value once you use it. If the item is lost or discarded, it has no value.

Box 1
Total Value of
Inventory & Supplies

BREEDING RECORD

NATURAL MATING

Female No.	Male No.	Exposure Date	Date Male Turned in	Date Male Removed	Due Date	Comments
Ex. 11	Aug. 20			Jan. 24		

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION

Female I.D.	1st Observed Estrus	Sire Name	Artificial Insemination Date	Due Date	Additional Information (did it take the first time, when did you preg. check)

MISCELLANEOUS OPERATING EXPENSES RECORD (OTHER THAN FEED AND COST OF ANIMALS)

List miscellaneous operating costs other than feed and cost of animals on these pages.

In column 1, record the date of payment and, in column 2, a description of the item cost. In column 3, record the number of units purchased. Use the unit by which pricing is normally done, such as pounds, hundred weight (cwt), dozens, tons, etc., and identify which unit is being used. In column 4, record the price per unit of the units used in column 3.

Multiply the Price per Unit (column 4) by Quantity (column 3) to get the cost of each item and record in the appropriate column of Miscellaneous Operating Costs Categories (columns 5-14). For example: if the veterinarian administered 4 doses of dewormer at \$2.00 a dose, the \$8.00 total would be listed in column 7.

1	2	3	4		5		6		7	
Date Mo/Day/Yr	Item	Quantity	Price per Unit		Supplies/ Equipment		Bedding		Veterinarian Fees and Medicines	
Totals										

FEED EXPENSE RECORD

Please enter information every time you purchase feed for your project. Make copies and add pages as necessary.

Date	Kind of Feed	Protein Supplement		Grain or Complete Feed*		Roughage**		Other	
		Lb	Cost	Lb	Cost	Lb	Cost	Lb	Cost
			\$		\$		\$		\$
Total		1	\$	2	\$	3	\$	4	\$

Total Cost of Feed Purchased
(Add the total value of the four columns - Cols. A, B, C, D)

\$

Box 6

Total Pounds Of Feed Purchased
(Add the total of the four boxes - Boxes 1, 2, 3 & 4)

Box 7

LB. Value

ENDING INVENTORY - Calculate the amount of feed left at the end of your project and its approximate value.

Subtract the feed left on hand from Box 7 to get the **TOTAL POUNDS** fed.

Box 8

Subtract the value of the extra feed from Box 6 to get the **TOTAL AMOUNT** spent on feed for your project.

\$

Box 9

* Grain includes: all concentrates, bag feeds, corn, etc.
 **Roughage includes: hay, silage, pasture, grasses, etc.

LOSS (DEATH/MORTALITY) RECORD

Date	Description and I.D. of Animal	Estimated Weight	Cause of Loss	Value (\$) Before Death
				\$
				\$
				\$
				\$
				\$
				\$

**Total Value
of Loss**

Box 10

PROJECT SUMMARY

INCOME

- A. Value of inventory and supplies at end of project
Page 4, Box #1 \$ _____
- B. Value of animals on hand (kept) at end of project year
page 5, Box #3 \$ _____
- C. Value of animals (current market price)
page 5, Box #4 \$ _____
- D. Show premiums won
page 13, Box #8 \$ _____
- TOTAL INCOME (add A, B, C, and D) \$

EXPENSES

- A. Value of animals raised or purchased during project
year. Page 5, Box #2 \$ _____
- B. Miscellaneous expenses
page 7, Box #5 \$ _____
- C. Feed costs
page 8, Box #9 \$ _____
- D. Mortality/Loss
page 12, Box #10 \$ _____
- TOTAL EXPENSES (add A, B, C and D) \$

TOTAL PROFIT OR LOSS
(Total Income - Total Expenses)

\$

PROJECT PICTURES

Show the beginning and end of your project along with different skills that you have learned while participating in this project. This should include a minimum of 4 pictures and a maximum of 8 pictures. Include a caption with each picture. These captions should tell a story.

PICTURES (Con't)

Drug Statement

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ANY DRUG, ANTIBIOTIC OR BIOLOGICAL SUBSTANCE WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN ADMINISTERED BY MYSELF, OR ANY OTHER PERSON, WAS DONE SO IN STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH THE MANUFACTURER'S LABEL REQUIREMENTS.

Signature of Youth

Date

Signature of Parent or Caretaker

Date

CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY

Dear _____,

You have just completed an animal science record book. We would like to ask you a few questions to help us improve the program. Please answer honestly. This will help us learn where we could do a better job in the future, as well as see what we are doing right.

Please complete the attached survey and return the card to your County Extension Agent as soon as possible. Thank you for your help.

The University of Florida
4-H Animal Science Design Team

Florida 4-H Record Book

Please check your answer.

1. Did the record book fit your needs? Yes No
2. Were the instructions easy to understand? Yes No
3. Did any part of the record book change how you would have done your project? Yes No
4. If you answered Yes to #3, which parts of the record book changed how you would have done something? (please list): _____

5. How do you feel about your _____ project? (Please fill in your specific project.)
 Very Happy Happy Neither Happy or Unhappy
 Unhappy Very Unhappy

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