

# Show Rabbit Record Book



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that I have personally been responsible for the care of this (these) animal(s), have personally kept records on this project, and have personally completed this record book.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We, the parent(s)/guardian(s) certify that our son/daughter has completed this project and record book out of their own accord and with my/our permission.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ is an active member of the Club and I verify that this record book has been completed by him/her, and is an accurate representation of the project.

Leader's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Purpose:**

The purpose of a rabbit animal project is to achieve the following:

1. Acquire an understanding of rabbit production by preparing for, purchasing, caring for, and keeping records on one or more rabbits.
2. Identify the types and grades of animals and employ efficient methods of marketing.
3. Understand the business aspects and economics of purchasing rabbits, feeds, facilities, and equipment for a rabbit project.
4. Develop integrity, sportsmanship, and cooperation.
5. Develop leadership abilities, build character, and assume citizenship responsibilities.

**It is very important that every section of this record book be completed accurately and to the best of your ability.**

## **Medical Statement:**

I hereby certify that any medication, antibiotic, or biological residue, which may have been administered by myself, or any other person; was done so in strict compliance with the manufacturers' label requirements.

Member's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# **Rabbit Project Agreement:**

(To be completed at the beginning of project)

I, the member, am responsible for caring for the animal, which will include feeding, providing medical attention, fresh clean water, a cage/hutch, grooming, and cleaning after. If showing or breeding I will first get permission from my parent/guardian and I will follow all rules and requirements.

Member's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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I/we, the parent(s)/guardian(s), are responsible for providing financial help if needed, along with assistance and encouragement while the student is raising the animal. I/We accept these responsibilities.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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The 4-H Leader is responsible for visiting the member and the rabbit(s) to give assistance and advice when needed. I accept these responsibilities.

Leader's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **General Record Book Guidelines:**

It is suggested that you make a copy of this book to use as a "work copy". The records can then be transferred into this book for the "final copy".

### **Helpful Notes:**

1. Your record book should start on the purchase date of your rabbit(s).
2. Record books are to be completed for all rabbits being show.
3. Always double-check your work, especially your math calculations.
4. Have someone check your project story for spelling and grammar before writing it in your final copy.
5. You may duplicate pages as needed.
6. You should write your final draft in pen.
7. The record book should be completed by the member.
8. If you need assistance contact your Leader and/or parent/guardian.

# **Project Inventory:**

List all equipment and assets you had at the beginning of the project. After listing existing inventory, you should also list those items you purchased this year that you will keep after the project is finished. Inventory examples include clippers, brushes, feeders, cages, etc. Do not list items such as powdered shampoo, baby oil, etc. See page 24 for definitions and terms.

Item Description	Date Acquired	Purchase Cost	Value at Beginning of Project	Depreciation	Value at End of Project
<b>Total Depreciation (Depreciation is an expense)</b>					
<b>Value of Project Assets</b>					



# **Project Rabbit Inventory:**

List all of the rabbits you own at the beginning of the project and add any rabbits you purchase or add to your project during the project year. Rabbits sold during the year should be recorded under OTHER INCOME. Rabbits sold should have a \$0.00 Value at End of Project for this page. Include copies of your rabbit's pedigrees and registrations after this page.

Rabbit Description	Breed	Sex	Date Acquired	Beginning Value	Vale at End of Project	Status (sold, kept, died, etc.)
<b>Value at Beginning</b>						
<b>Value at End/ Value of Rabbit Assets</b>						



*My Rabbit Pedigrees (insert here)*





# **Feed and Feed Expenses:**

Record the feeds you are using with your animals. Next, list all feed expenses you have for the year (list each feed purchase separately).

				Nutritional Value of Feed		
Name of feed	Type of feed	Cost of feed	Amount fed per day:	Protein %	Fat %	Fiber %

## Feed Expenses:

Date	Description	Paid to	Pounds	Total Cost
<b>Page Total (Pounds Fed)</b>				
<b>Page Total (Feed Costs)</b>				







## ***Sponsor Income:***

You should record here the amount of money you have received to help you fund your project, prior to the end of your project. This could be money from parents/guardians, family, or friends to aid in your project. If no money is collected enter zero.

Date	Sponsor's Name	Total
<b>Total Sponsor Income (if none, enter zero)</b>		

## ***Earned Income:***

Other project income should be recorded here, such as earnings used to fund the project. These could be earnings from chores or other personal income that you have earned. Show premiums will be entered on the next page.

Date	Description	Total
<b>Total Earned Income (if none, enter zero)</b>		



## Show Records:

You should record here the information about the show(s) which you attended and how your rabbit(s) placed in each show.

Date	Show	Rabbit ID	Judge	Awards/ Placing	Explain any Disqualifications

## Show Earnings:

Use this section to record entry fees and premiums (monies) earned in each shoe. If you have no earnings or entry fees from the show(s), then enter zero in that section.

Date	Show	Total Rabbits Entered	Premiums Earned	Cost of Entries	
<b>Total Premium/Costs</b>			<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	
<b>Total Show Earnings (1-2)</b>					



## ***Health Record:***

In this section include records of any health related activity (deworming, vaccines, or use of a veterinarian's services for any other reasons). Be sure to include what medicine was used, how much was used, and what it was used for. Fill in the costs of service as well as any medication purchased under your NON-FEED EXPENSES. Include copies of health records after this page.

<b>Veterinarian Information.</b>	
<b>Name</b>	
<b>Phone number</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>Office hours</b>	
<b>Emergency contact</b>	

<b>Date</b>	<b>Description of Activity</b>	<b>Product Used</b>	<b>Dosage</b>	<b>Withdrawal Time</b>





# Project Summary:

The records in this book cover my 4-H project, which consists of \_\_\_\_\_ rabbits.

<b>Feed</b>		
Total Pounds of Feed Fed	1	
Total Feed Cost	2	
<b>Income</b>		
Sponsor Income	3	
Earned Income	4	
Show Earnings		
<b>Total Preliminary Income</b> (3 + 4)		5
<b>Expenses</b>		
Total Depreciation	6	
Total Non-Feed Expenses	7	
Total Feed Expenses	8	
<b>Total Expenses</b> (6 + 7 + 8)		9
<b>Change in Rabbit Inventory</b>		
Value at End	10	
Value at Beginning	11	
<b>Net Change in Rabbit Inventory</b> (10 - 11)		12
<b>Summary</b>		
Preliminary Profit/Loss (5 + 9 + 12)	13	
Achievement Monies (earnings from project competitions)	14	
<b>Final Profit/Loss</b> (13 + 14)		15
<b>Assets</b>		
Value of Project Assets	16	
Value of Rabbit Assets	17	
<b>Total Assets</b> (16 + 17)		18



## **Pictures of Your Project:**

Use a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 10 pictures to tell the story of your rabbit project. Under each picture write a caption to explain what you are doing and why. In your photos you should demonstrate at least three different skills that you have learned. Make sure to check your spelling and grammar.



**Pictures of Your Project:** (continued)





# **Project Story Outline:**

First use this page to make an outline for your project story. In your story include what t you have learned about your rabbit, what safety practices you used in your project, what you could do to improve your project and the different skills that you used throughout your project. An outline form does not require complete sentences.

**I. Introduction-** Introduce your story and capture your reader's interest.

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**II. What did I learn?**

- A.
- B.
- C.

**III. What safety practices did I use?**

- A.
- B.
- C.

**IV. What improvements could I make?**

- A.
- B.
- C.

**V. What skills did I learn?**

- A.
- B.
- C.

**VI. Summary** – Leave the reader with the general idea or impression that you want them to have.

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## **Terms and Explanations:**

If you work on your project for more than one year then you will keep a record book for each year, even if you are keeping the same rabbits.

### Notes for Project Inventory and Project Rabbit Inventory

1. **Project Year**— Is based on the 4-H Project year (Sept. 1— August 31). It is the current year during which you are working on your project.
2. **Date Acquired**— List the date you obtained this item, as accurately as possible.
3. **Purchase Cost or Value** – How much did the item cost when obtained?
4. **Value at Beginning of Project** – Same as purchase cost for items purchased during the current project year. On items purchased in previous years this should be the value from last year’s ending inventory or a depreciated value of 10% of the initial purchase cost per project year.
5. **Depreciation of 10%** – This will be a 10% depreciation, or loss of value of your assets and it is an expense.
6. **Value at the end of the project** –  
This is the value of the item at the beginning of the project minus the total depreciation.
7. **Beginning Value** – Value of existing rabbits at beginning of project OR purchase cost of new animals OR value of animal(s) born.
8. **Value at End of Project** – Your rabbit’s value should increase throughout the course of the project, this is an estimated value. Think of the cost of feed and special attributes of your rabbit (litter boxed trained, good temperament, etc.) that might increase a rabbit’s value.

Sample For a 2008 project.

Item Description	Date Acquired	Purchase Cost	Value at Beginning of Project	Depreciation	Value at End of Project
Rope	09/12/2005	\$5.00	\$3.50	\$0.50	\$3.00
Comb	10/12/2005	\$5.00	\$3.50	\$0.50	\$3.00
Brush	11/02/2006	\$5.00	\$4.50	\$0.50	\$4.00
Bucket	09/01/2008	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$0.50	\$4.50
<b>Total Depreciation (Depreciation is an Expense)</b>				<b>\$2.00</b>	
<b>Value at End/ Total Assets</b>					<b>\$14.00</b>

