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Dear 4-H'er:

Your Project Record Books have been revised for 2019 and there are a few changes we wanted you to be aware of:

- We have included your pre-fair Registration form, Fair registration form and the Fair Rules and Regulations for each animal you will be showing with your record book.
- Due Dates for each form are stated on the top in **Red**.
- Project Record Books and all the Fair Forms will be available on the 4-H webpage (<http://allegany.cce.cornell.edu/4-h-youth-development>) as well as in the 4-H office.
- Project Record Books are designed so that you work on them throughout the duration of your project, and not at the very end. Please plan your time wisely in order to get the most from this fun and rewarding opportunity!
- Additional Fair Forms will be available from our web site, if you need more you can print them from our website or contact the office and we can mail them to you.

Market animals that received a rabies vaccination need to have those done 21 days before the start of fair (June 24th).

Your Project Records for Market and Breeding Animal's will be due the Friday of Fair (July 20th) during your livestock interviews.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at the office at 585-268-7644 ext.16 or by email at pjh34@cornell.edu

I look forward to seeing you at fair this year!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tricia Heary".

Tricia Heary
4-H Program Coordinator

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Cornell Cooperative Extension is an employer and educator recognized for valuing AA/EEO, Protected Veterans, and Individuals with Disabilities and provides equal program and employment opportunities.

Rules and Policies Governing 4-H and FFA Small Market and Non-Market Animals Classes and Sale for Swine, Sheep, Goats, Rabbits and Poultry

Only Allegany County 4-H and FFA members are eligible and must be 8 years old by January 1st of the current show year.

1. Health papers are due at time of arrival. **Market animals with the exception of rabbits and poultry to be in place by 1pm on the Sunday before opening day of the fair.** Arrangements can be made prior with the superintendant of the species if the **1 pm** placement time cannot be met. All market animals will be officially weighed-in by the Livestock Committee starting apporximently at 3 PM, Sunday before the fair opens. Project animals will only be weighted once. No filling or pumping allowed. Animals are not to be fed or watered two hours prior to being weighed. Each superintendent will be around to give a “last call” for feed and water for your species.
2. Each exhibitor must participate in the appropriate showmanship class with their own project animal.
3. All animals must be exhibited unless excused by the superintendent because of illness, injury, temperament etc. If two projects are entered in one class, the second animal must be shown by a 4-H/FFA youth age 9-18, as of January 1st of the current year of the fair and has shown that species before or otherwise approved by the Livestock Committee.
4. When showing or working around swine, sheep or goats at the fairgrounds, leather shoes or boots, preferably not light weight rubber boots, must be worn for safety. **NO sneakers or sandals will be permitted.**
5. Completed project records must be presented and turned in at the project interviews.
6. Weight requirements:
Swine: minimum weight of 180 lbs.
Sheep: minimum weight of 76 lbs.
Goats: minimum weight of 50 lbs.
Rabbits: minimum weight of 3 ½ lbs. max weight 5 ½ lbs. per animal
Poultry: minimum weight of 5 lbs. per animal
7. All weight classes will be determined at the discretion of the superintendent in charge of each species. All eligible animals will then be placed accordingly by the superintendent.
8. Eligible Market animals will go through the auction and be sold to the highest bidder. An eligible Market animal is considered to have met all pre-fair, weight and age requirements as well as received a blue or red ribbon from the Market class during the show. Each exhibitor should actively secure buyers for his or her animals to be bid on and purchased sale night. Any animal pulled from the market sale that was shown in the market class will be subject to a penalty fee and forfeit all premiums and prizes earned.
9. The 4-H Livestock Committee will organize the sale and buyer’s recognition in return for a fee. 4-H will provide billing (not collection) and pay an exhibitor whom has met all requirements accordingly. The fee will be based on a percentage of gross sales receipts. The

rate will be determined by the 4-H Livestock Committee, within one week of the fair. The rate will not exceed 8% of the gross sales receipts, except in the case of penalties.

10. Each exhibitor must care for his/her animals, show them and help maintain cleanliness in the barn and show area.
11. An extra fee will be deducted from any exhibitor's check that remove an animal or does not properly feed and care for his/her animal until the release time set by the fair association. Animals left after the release time must be properly secured. All pens must be stripped by noon on Sunday at the end of the fair.
12. Non-market animals needing transportation after the fair is the responsibility of the exhibitor. The livestock committee can assist with transportation for an additional trucking fee. If the animal is to be shipped to a slaughter facility the proper slaughter paper work must accompany the trucking fee or the animal will not be loaded and shipped.
13. The official judge for each class will judge based on the Danish system. The decision of the judge will be final and viewed with respect by all participants.
14. All market animals must conform to the Animal Health Regulations as started by the NYS Department of Ag and Markets posted annually. **All vaccinations such as rabies and shipping fever must be given within appropriate withdrawal times this can range from 14 days to 45 days depending on the vaccine.** It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure withdrawal times are met prior to slaughter. Also if any necessary state testing for your species is needed be sure to allow for test results to be completed and returned prior to fair as well as health papers. Local vets or livestock committee members can help you if health paperwork, proof of vaccination and withdrawal times are unclear
15. Failure of an exhibitor to comply with any regulation may result in an increase of Sale Fee or disqualification at the discretion of the Livestock Committee.
16. Species superintendents (and/or committee members) have the privilege to inspect animals during the course of the project.
17. These rules and policies are intended to supplement those in the Allegany County Fair Premium Book.

Swine: Members may raise gilts or barrows, No Boars. Pigs do not have to be purebred. The pig(s) you plan to purchase MUST be born after January 1st of the current year. Pigs that are vaccinated against Erysipelas prior to purchase from the breeder are recommended. All market hogs must be tagged, and officially entered by May 1st of the year showing.

Sheep: This section is open to purebred, grade or crossbred wether or ewe lambs born after January 1st of the current year no rams are permitted. When purchasing your project, verify that the lamb has a Scrapie's tag on the animal at the time of purchase or an acceptable registration tattoo. All lambs must be officially entered by May 1st of the year showing. They must be slick shorn prior to arrival at the fairgrounds.

Goat: This section is open to does or wethers born after October 1st of the previous year no bucks permitted. When purchasing your project, verify that the goat has a Scrapie's tag on the animal at time of purchase or an acceptable registration tattoo. Horns are permitted on Market Goats 4 inches or under. All Market Goats must be officially entered by the 1st of May of the year showing.

Rabbits: This section is open to grade or purebred meat rabbits. Meat Rabbits need to be born seventy days prior to show day of the current show year. The most desirable pen of 3 is the most uniform as it relates to color, breed, size and conformation.

Poultry: Meat chickens need to be hatched after May 4th and in a pen of 2. The most desirable pen of 2 is the most uniform as it relates to color, breed, size, and conformation.

*****NO RULES WILL BE CHANGED*****

MARKET ANIMAL SALES RULES

- * All market animals must be sold at the fair sale
 - * Animals will be sold to the highest bidder
 - * 4-H Livestock Committee will organize sale and buyer recognition in return for a fee
 - * 4-h will provide billing and pay upon receipt
 - * All market animals must comply with all vaccination, testing and treatment withdrawal times
- These rules are included on the market entry form and must be signed by legal guardian and exhibitor.

I have read and understand completely the rules and regulations regarding Market and Non-Market steers. I understand that I can be charged addition fees and forfeit premiums and prizes earned if I do not comply with all the above rules, polices, and regulations set forth by the Livestock Committee.

Exhibitor Name (print)

Date

Exhibitor Signature

Legal Guardian Name (print)

Date

Legal Guardian Signature

Allegany County Cooperative Extension

4-H Market Rabbit Project Book



INSERT A PHOTO OF YOUR MARKET
ANIMAL HERE

Name: _____

Age (as of January 1st) _____

Years Enrolled in 4-H _____

Date Project Started _____

Date Project Closed _____

Why Records are Important

The objective of a Market Rabbit project is to give youth an opportunity to develop skills that will advance them in the future. This hands on opportunity will help youth develop skills like leadership, organization, critical thinking, goal setting, time management and communications. The task of keeping records can also help prevent a youth from falling short of their goals and maximize their opportunity to grow, learn and develop as an individual.

What you need to get started

- An interest in raising Market Rabbits
- A place to keep and raise market rabbits
- Money to purchase and raise market rabbits
- Equipment to handle , feed and water the rabbits
- Support from an adult

Knowledge about Rabbits

- different breeds and their characteristics
- rabbit terminology
- body parts of a rabbit
- what rabbits eat to grow efficiently

Instructions

1. Use this project record for Market Rabbit Projects.
2. Keep a separate record for each pen of three rabbits. Each rabbit can be documented separately.
3. Fill out a new project record book every year for Market Rabbits.
4. Write the things you do with and without your animal that relates to your rabbit project.
5. Keep all receipts as proof of money spent for your project. Photo copies of receipts are allowed.
6. Turn in your project records after the market sale by the date given by extension to receive your check. Non-market animals should be turned in by this date as well using true market estimations or actual sale price of animal.

Project Plans

Complete this section after you take ownership of your project.

Why did you choose these animals?

How do you plan to care for these animals?

What do you want to learn about your project this year?

How will you ensure your animal is on track for show and market?

Meat Rabbit Basics Choosing to take a livestock project in 4-H should involve sound decision-making. This fact sheet provides basic information to help you make a good decision.

SPACE NEEDED • .75 square feet per pound of body weight minimum

COMFORT ZONE • 68-70° for optimal performance, but may be raised in widely varying temperatures (please note that the heat is harsher on rabbits than the cold)

WATER REQUIREMENTS • Access to clean, fresh, cool water is critical

• $\frac{1}{4}$ - 2 ounces per pound **FEED CONSIDERATIONS** • Will eat approximately 4-8 ounces of pellets per day (depends on breed of rabbit)

• Will gain approximately 1 ounce per day while growing (Average Daily Gain or ADG)

- Needs approximately 4 pounds of feed per pound of gain (Feed Efficiency) MARKET CONSIDERATIONS
- Mature weight depends on the breed of rabbit (see ARBA Standards of Perfection)
- Market rabbits should weigh 3½ – 5 pounds per rabbit and should be finished at 69 days of age

BUDGETING • Approximate purchase cost is \$100 for a breeding pair (best breeds for market-Californian & New Zealand)

- Projected market price is \$150 for a meat pen trio
- Projected feed cost is around \$15 and includes: Complete Feed Pellets (with vitamins, minerals & roughage) Hay (optional)

Information originally developed in 3/2015 by Bonnie Malone, Extension Educator 4-H, Huron County, Ohio and Vicki Schwartz, Associate State Leader, Ohio 4-H. "Should I Take Rabbit". Revised for Maryland 4-H 11/15 "University of Maryland Extension programs are open to all and will not discriminate against anyone because of race, age, sex, color, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, religion, ancestry, or national origin, marital status, genetic information, or political affiliation, or gender identity and expression."

Project Animals Information

Animal's Name _____

Identification Number and/or Tattoo _____

County Identification Number _____

Breed(s) _____

Gender _____ Date of Birth _____

Date of Purchase _____ Total Purchase Amount \$ _____

Purchase Weight _____ lbs

Days from Purchase till fair weigh in _____

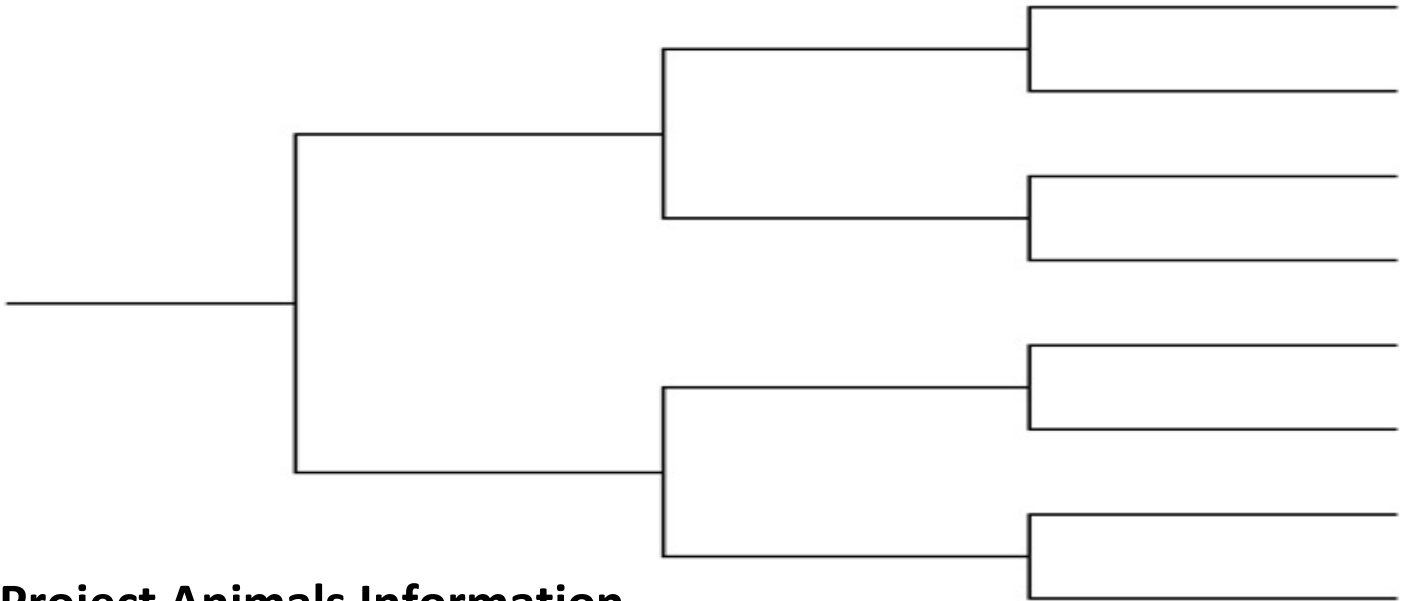
Estimated Finish Weight _____

Estimated Amount of pounds needed to gain to finish _____

Estimated pounds gained per day till fair weigh in _____

Project's Pedigree (Rabbit 1)

Fill in as much of your project's pedigree as you know even if it is just different breeds that make up your animal.



Project Animals Information

Animal's Name _____

Identification Number and/or Tattoo _____

County Identification Number _____

Breed(s) _____

Gender _____ Date of Birth _____

Date of Purchase _____ Total Purchase Amount \$ _____

Purchase Weight _____ lbs

Days from Purchase till fair weigh in _____

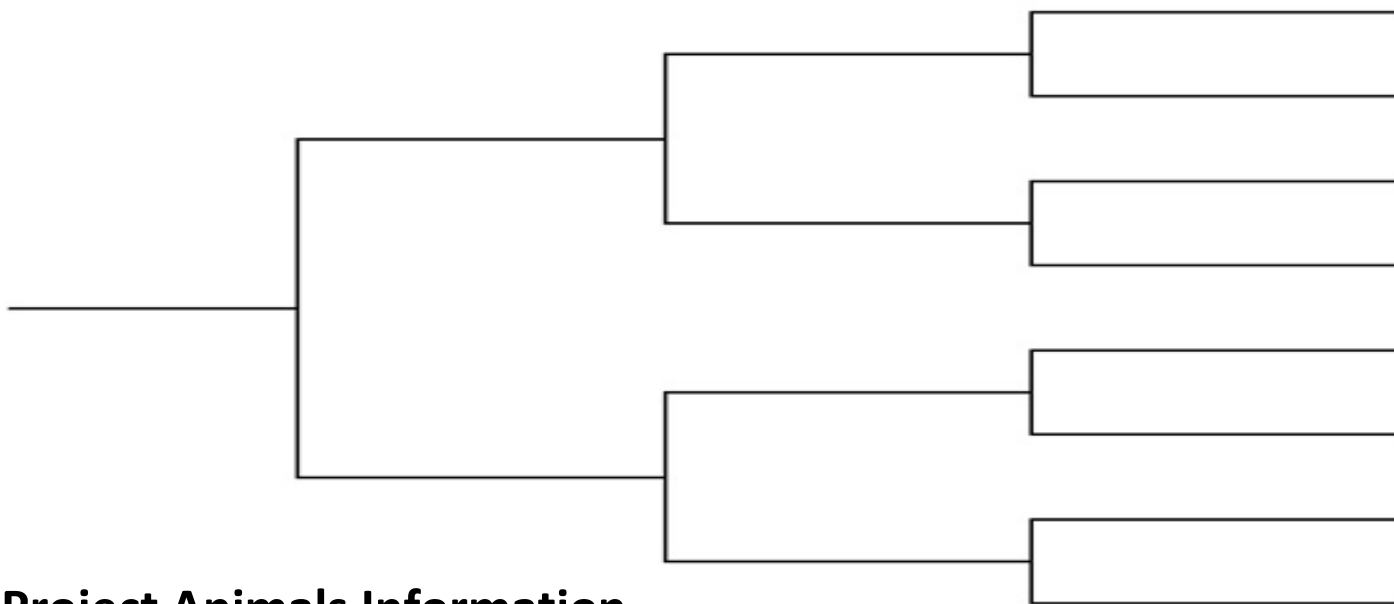
Estimated Finish Weight _____

Estimated Amount of pounds needed to gain to finish _____

Estimated pounds gained per day till fair weigh in _____

Project's Pedigree (Rabbit 2)

Fill in as much of your project's pedigree as you know even if it is just different breeds that make up your animal.



Project Animals Information

Animal's Name _____

Identification Number and/or Tattoo _____

County Identification Number _____

Breed(s) _____

Gender _____ Date of Birth _____

Date of Purchase _____ Total Purchase Amount \$ _____

Purchase Weight _____ lbs

Days from Purchase till fair weigh in _____

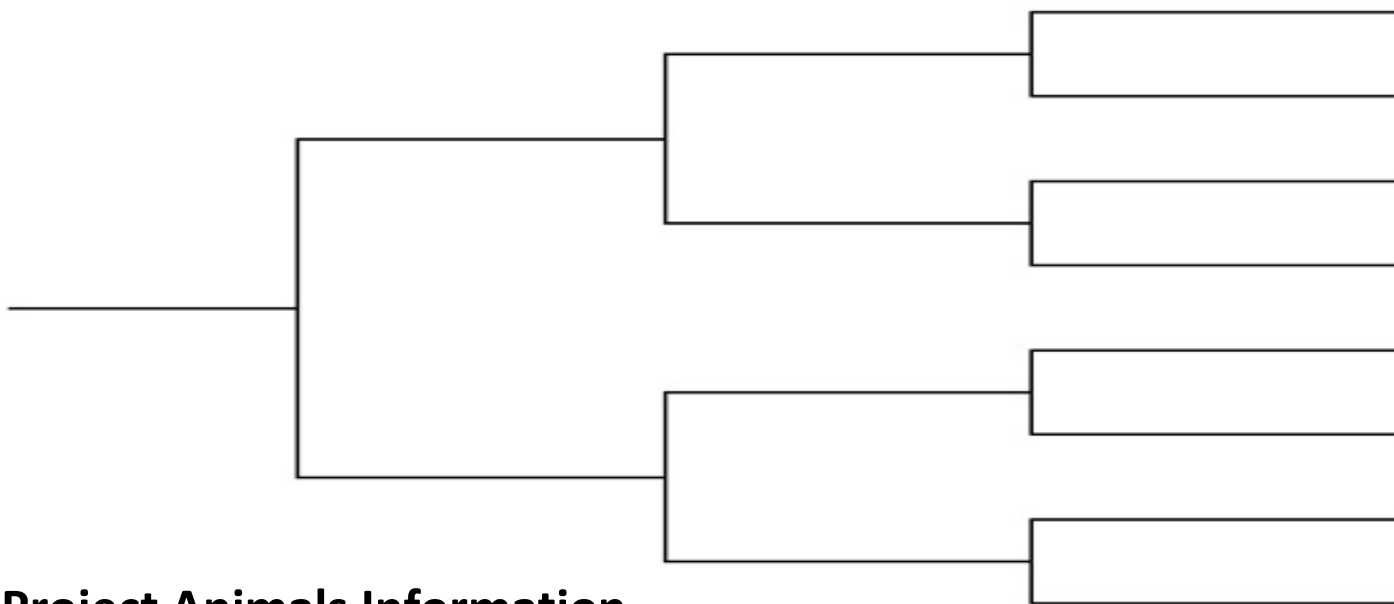
Estimated Finish Weight _____

Estimated Amount of pounds needed to gain to finish _____

Estimated pounds gained per day till fair weigh in _____

Project's Pedigree (Rabbit 3)

Fill in as much of your project's pedigree as you know even if it is just different breeds that make up your animal.



Project Animals Information

Animal's Name _____

Identification Number and/or Tattoo _____

County Identification Number _____

Breed(s) _____

Gender _____ Date of Birth _____

Date of Purchase _____ Total Purchase Amount \$ _____

Purchase Weight _____ lbs

Days from Purchase till fair weigh in _____

Estimated Finish Weight _____

Estimated Amount of pounds needed to gain to finish _____

Estimated pounds gained per day till fair weigh in _____

What did you do with and without your Project Animal

Use the following charts to document what you do relating to your project. This can consist of things like deworming, purchase of supplies or feed, participating in skill-a-thon, visiting another farm and many others. Sometimes you may need to estimate cost or values of something. An experience may not always have a value but can be documented here. Also if you earn money back say by winning skill-a-thon document it here in the appropriate column (amount received). Each animal should be documented individually.

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Date	What happened?	Who did it?	Cost or value (\$) *	Amount received (\$)
		Totals	(\$)	(\$)

* The value of home-grown feeds is what you could have sold them for if your animals had not eaten them.

Project Summary

Use this section to determine how well you grew your project. Use the relative information you recorded in the previous charts to answer the questions and summarize your profitability. These numbers should include your entire pen of three.

Purchase Cost \$ _____ Purchase Weight _____ lbs

Total cost of feed/hay \$ _____ Total cost of general supplies \$ _____

Total cost of health care \$ _____ Other total cost \$ _____

Target finish weight _____ lbs Final weight _____ lbs

Final sale price \$ _____ Total of other income \$ _____

Final Sale Price and other income \$ _____

Total of all cost including purchase price \$ _____

Loss or Profit earned (+/-) \$ _____

Final weight _____ - Purchase weight _____ = _____

Days grown (number of days from start of project till final weigh in date) _____

Pounds gained per day (pounds gained divided by days grown) _____

Final weight _____ - Target weight _____ = _____

How did you do and what can you do differently next year to increase profitability of your project?

What you experienced

Where did you keep your animal? _____

What did you do to take care of your animal? _____

How much and what did you feed your animal? _____

What did you do to keep your animal healthy? _____

What did you do to keep your animal and equipment clean? _____

What did you do to groom and train your animal? _____

How did you market your animal? _____

What was one skill you learned or improved this year? _____

What was one goal you met this year? _____

What would you like to learn or do next year? _____

Junior Department Market Livestock Entry Form

Allegany County Fair

Complete entire form, including signature at end of page. Please print or type carefully! Enter any class you think you may enter by circling number and in some cases writing correct number in space provided. Please return to the 4-H office by **4 PM June 1st.**

(Entries received by the 4-H office after June 1st will receive participation ribbons, but no cash premiums) Advanced entries are required, so make the proper entry for any animal you think you will exhibit. The entry should be cancelled at the time of fair if you cannot exhibit a particular animal.

Exhibitor's Name: _____ **Club/Ind:** _____

Address: _____
(Street PO Box, RD & Apt) (Town) (State) (Zip Code)

Circle one: Senior (14 & up) Junior (8-13) Novice (1st Year)

Exhibitor Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

All entries are accepted with the understanding that the Allegany Agricultural Society and Cornell Extension will not be held responsible for any loss, damage or injury to any animals exhibited or any article of any kind. All animals shall be under the control and direction for the animal committee but solely at the risk of the exhibitor who will be responsible for any loss or damage of injury to any person, animals or property occasioned by him, his agents or employees, or by any animal owned or exhibited by him, and shall indemnify against any and all damages and liability thus occasioned, including attorneys fees, which may have occurred as a result thereof. The submitting of this entry form to the Fair Office shall constitute an acceptance by each person signing same provision here in set forth. **CLOVERBUDS DO NOT BRING THEIR OWN ANIMALS, THEY MUST SHOW ANOTHER MEMBER'S ANIMAL ALREADY ENTERED IN THE FAIR.** All entries and participants are subject to the rules and regulations of the Allegany County Agricultural Society.

Fundraisers Participated in 1. _____ **2.** _____

Age as of 1/1/(current year) _____ **B-Day:** _____ **T-Shirt Size:** SM / MD / LG / XLG
specify (**YOUTH or ADULT**)

Circle all that you are entering
Livestock Fitting and Showmanship
(Mandatory)

Beef	Sheep	Swine	Sheep Halter	Goat
B911	C912	D913	C914	SG955

Market Classes, Please Circle all that you are entering

SD951 Market Hog	SC952 Market Lamb	SB953 Market Beef	SB954 Market Dairy Steers
SG955 Market Goat	SR956 Market Rabbit	SP957 Market Poultry	

<i>Class Number</i>	<i>Class Name</i>	<i>Registration Name / Number</i>	<i>Birth Date</i>	<i>Tattoo and/or Tag Number</i>
SR956	MARKET RABBIT		05/08/2011	MS123

Do you have animals entered in any OPEN CLASS ____ YES ____ NO if so, use the Open Class entry forms for those animals

Are you showing in other departments at the Fair? ____ Yes ____ No

If you are keeping your stock with an adult exhibitor, give his or her name _____

Approx Weight _____ Can your animals be housed together or separate? _____

Exhibitor Name/4-H Age as of 1/1/ current year _____