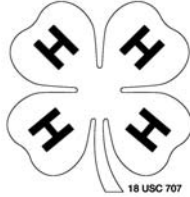


DUE: Tuesday of Fair Week (August 9) from 12 (noon) – 2 pm in Sheep Barn

4-H Poultry/Rabbit Project Record Guide

Senior Record Book (14 yrs and up as of Jan 1)



Year (example: 2007): _____

Please circle your 4-H project:

Ducks

Geese

Turkeys

Chickens

Rabbits

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Age (as of Jan 1st): _____ 4-H Club:

Year in Project: _____

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

Member's Signature (1 pt): _____

Date: _____

I, the parent/guardian, certify that my son/daughter has completed this project and completed this record book and will comply with all rules and regulations.

Parent/Guardian's Signature (1 pt): _____

Date: _____

Project Information (2pts)

Name and/or description of animal: _____

Breed: _____

Identification of animal (leg band /Fair tag number/Tattoo):_____

Birth date of animal: _____

(OR)

Purchase date: _____ (include receipt if available)

Please tell us about your project animal (check all that apply)

- I purchased my project animal
- My project animal is bred & owned (from an animal on my family farm)
- I board my project animal at another farm

Rate of Gain – 3 Extra Points-(optional)

Use chart below for chickens, geese, ducks and rabbits

Week	Date	Weight	Week	Date	Weight
1			6		
2			7		
3			8		
4			9		
5			10		

Turkey Weight Chart

Record your turkey's weight at the following ages and compare to the normal weights of turkeys on average.

Weeks of age	Average Hen	My Hen	Average Tom	My Tom
4 weeks	2 lbs.	_____ lbs.	2 1/2 lbs.	_____ lbs.
8 weeks	6 1/4 lbs	_____ lbs.	10 lbs.	_____ lbs.
12 weeks	11 lbs.	_____ lbs.	17 lbs.	_____ lbs.
16 weeks	16 lbs.	_____ lbs.	24 lbs.	_____ lbs.
20 weeks	21 lbs.	_____ lbs.	30 lbs.	_____ lbs.

Photographs (at least 3) of your 4-H project animal. Photos that show you working hands-on with your animal are preferred and it is suggested that one is included when you first acquired your project animal. Use additional page(s) if needed. (3pts)

Beginning date: _____ (when you started project)

Place Photographs Here

Expense Record (10pts)

Record expenses as they occur. List the amount of each purchase in one of the last four columns of the following table. (Show expenses may include camping fees, entry fees, show clothes, show equipment, gas, auction food and supplies needed for the show. Miscellaneous expenses may include cost of the animal, bedding, veterinary fees, rent, boarding, transportation, grooming supplies, wormers, photo printing and insecticides (fly spray.)

Item Description	Date	Enter Cost in Appropriate Category			
		Feed	Equipment	Misc.	Show Expenses
Total	Balance to carry forward to page 4				

When completing the expense record, write the totals for the last four columns at the bottom of page 5.

Item Description	Date	Enter Cost in Appropriate Category			
		Feed	Equipment	Misc.	Show Expenses
Total					

A B C D

Total Project Expenses (Add columns A+B+C+D):
\$ _____

Financial Summary (5 pts)

Research a current market price for your animal and list the source used. (Be sure to include the date when you researched this source.)

Research two (2) processing facilities and list all applicable fees at the site. (Include environmental fees, slaughter fees, price per pound for butchering)

Using the live weight chart below, what would your market animal yield in dressed meat (the ready-to-cook portions of the animal)?

(Fill in the row for your project animal.)

LIVE WEIGHT		DRESSED WEIGHT
Chicken- Broiler	7 lbs.	
Chicken- Fryer	6 lbs.	
Goose	12 lbs.	
Duck	7 lbs.	
Turkey	20 lbs.	
Rabbit	5 lbs.	

If you sold this animal by the pound (at above market prices), what is actual cost per pound after processing?

\$ _____ sold per market price x _____ lb.

+

\$ _____ process per pound x _____ lb.

+

Other fees _____ = total _____

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENT (2 pts)

Explain in detail how you will finance this project animal and how you intend to repay the loan, if applicable, for the choice(s) below.

1. I have made the following financial arrangements with my parents:

(OR) 2. I plan to borrow money from:

(OR) 3. I plan to use my own money:

Project Questions for Poultry (6 pts)

What is the ideal goal weight of your project animal? _____

Explain why the goal weight is important and what action(s) you took to accomplish that goal. _____

List all feeds used and % of protein and length of time fed. _____

Why would a person feed a higher % protein feed to a younger animal?

What qualities in a market livestock animal will demonstrate value to a potential buyer?

What was one skill you learned or improved while caring for your animal? ("nothing" is not an acceptable answer)

Gestation Period _____

Optimal number of days from birth to market _____

Project Questions for Rabbit (6 pts)

1.) What is withdrawal time? _____

What is a pelt ? _____

2.) What are the 3 classes for rabbit meat? _____

What is the range of weight for a meat pen at this fair? _____

3.) What is the maximum age of a meat pen? _____

True or False? : Rabbit meat is all white. _____

4.) Name 3 ways to market a rabbit. _____

5.) What was one skill you learned or improved while caring for your animal?
("nothing is not an acceptable answer)

6.) Gestation Period _____

Optimal number of days from birth to
market _____

Project Story (10pts)

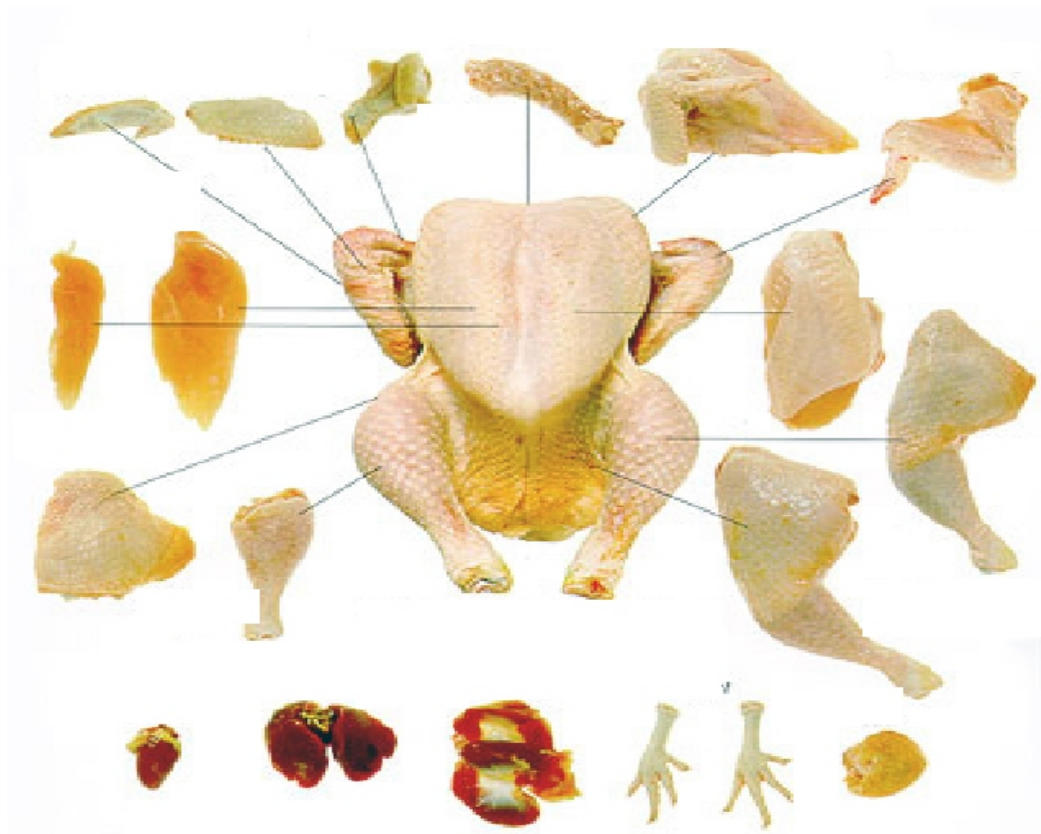
Write a project story that captures what happened during your project. Discuss your goals, your activities, your challenges, and your accomplishments. Examples: funny, sad or exciting event. Project stories must be at least ten sentences.

Species Specific

Label the diagram that corresponds to your project animal.

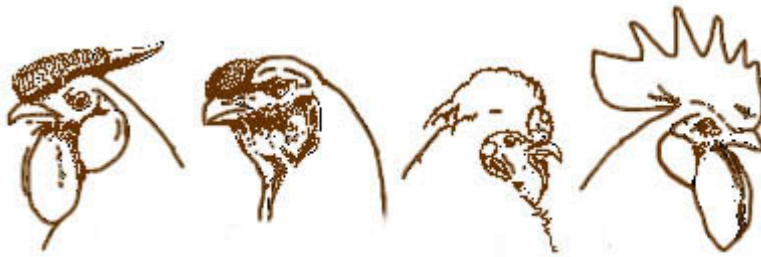
Label 10 parts of your choice. (1/2 pt each -5pts)

Chicken



(Species specific questions- 9 pts)

Label the chicken combs





All parts of a chicken can be used. List 3 by- products that the manufacturing industry uses from the inedible by- products from your animal. _____

Care:

When bringing a new animal to your farm or returning from fair, what is the recommended number of days to quarantine that animal from the rest of the herd? _____

Why is this recommended? _____

Disease:

Name one type of internal and external parasite and tell what affect they can have on your animal.

Internal _____ Affect on Animal _____

External _____ Affect on Animal _____

Species Specific

Label the diagram that corresponds to your project animal.

Label 10 parts of your choice. (5pts -1/2 pt each)

Turkey



(Species specific questions- 9 pts)

All parts of a turkey can be used. List 3 by- products that the manufacturing industry uses from the inedible by- products from your animal. _____

Care:

When bringing a new animal to your farm or returning from fair, what is the recommended number of days to quarantine that animal from the rest of the herd? _____

Why is this recommended? _____

What minimum percent protein should be fed to poults? _____

Disease:

Name one type of internal and external parasite and tell what affect they can have on your animal.

Internal _____ Affect on Animal _____

External _____ Affect on Animal _____

Species Specific

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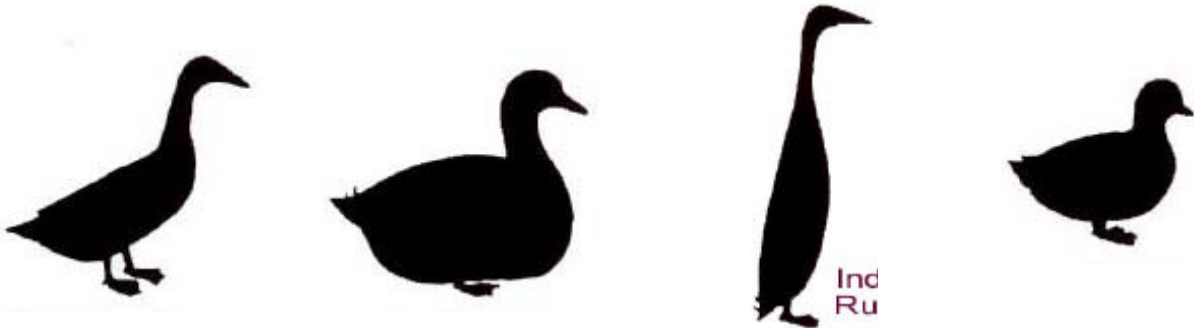
Label 10 parts of your choice (5 pts-1/2 pt each)

Duck



Specie Specific Questions (9 pts)

Identify the following breeds



All parts of a duck can be used. List 3 by- products that the manufacturing industry uses from the inedible by- products from your animal. _____

Care:

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Species Specific

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Goose



(Species specific questions- 9 pts)

All parts of a goose can be used. List 3 by- products that the manufacturing industry uses from the inedible by- products from your animal. _____

Care:

When bringing a new animal to your farm or returning from fair, what is the recommended number of days to quarantine that animal from the rest of the herd? _____

Why is this recommended? _____

Disease:

Name one type of internal and external parasite and tell what affect they can have on your animal.

Internal _____ Affect on Animal _____

External _____ Affect on Animal _____

Species Specific

Label the diagram that corresponds to your project animal

(5 pts)

Rabbit



(Species specific questions- 9 pts)

All parts of a rabbit can be used. List 3 by- products that the manufacturing industry uses from the inedible by- products from your animal. _____

Care:

When bringing a new animal to your farm or returning from fair, what is the recommended number of days to quarantine that animal from the rest of the herd? _____

Why is this recommended? _____

Disease:

Name one type of internal and external parasite and tell what affect they can have on your animal.

Internal _____ Affect on Animal _____

External _____ Affect on Animal _____

For Senior Showman you may present your project in a variety of formats:**

You may choose to:

Complete this record book

Create an educational poster

Create a power point/DVD presentation

Create a brochure

Give an oral presentation (must notify Laurie Rivetto if this is your choice to set a presentation date)

****All of the above require the contents of this book be included**

Judge _____

Scoring Rubric

Record books will be judged based on the following score card:

	Points Possible
Member Signature _____	1
Parent Signature _____	1
Project Information _____	2
Photographs _____	3
Expense Record _____	10
Financial Summary _____	5
Financial Arrangement _____	2
Vaccination and Medication Record _____	8
Project Questions _____	6
Project Story _____	10
Meat Cuts _____	10
Specie Specific Questions _____	9
Presentation (neatness, spelling, legibility) _____	3
TOTAL _____	70
Bonus Points	
Creativity (binder, stickers, anything that enhances the book) _____	3
Attending a Record Book Meeting _____	4
Rate of Gain _____	3
TOTAL + BONUS _____	80

Comments:

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Comments:

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Judge _____ Score _____

Average Score _____

4H Livestock Developmental Committee

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