OCEANA COUNTY 4-H SMALL MARKET
RABBIT RECORD BOOK – 2018
(for ages 9 and up)

As a member of the 4-H Small Market Animal Project, you are required to submit your records as part of an educational project notebook in order to show your animal at the Oceana County Fair. This notebook must be shown to the Rabbit Superintendent or designated Small Market Weighmaster at the time of weigh-in and then entered by you in the Educational Notebook Division at the Oceana County Fair on Entry Day.

AGE: __________
The age you enter depends on how old you were on January 1, 2018.

NUMBER OF YEARS IN PROJECT: __________

Use this sheet as the first page of your project record book. Fill it out completely. Please print or type neatly.

Name ____________________________________________________________

4-H Club Name ____________________________________________________

Breed, Variety and Age of Doe: ______________________________________

Breed Variety Age

How long have you owned the Doe: __________

Breed, Variety and Age of Buck used: _________________________________

Breed Variety Age

Do you own the buck? ____ Yes _____ No If not the owner of the buck, what, if any, arrangements were made for his services:

___________________________________________________________________

Date of Breeding: ________________ Date of Kindling: ________________

No. of days of Gestation ___________ No. of live kits: ________________

No. of non-live kits: ______________
JUDGE’S SCORE/COMMENT SHEET

(Please do not remove, place this sheet in sheet protector or glue to cover). This sheet must be kept free to the judge to write their comments.

This sheet should help each junior market member understand their ribbon placing.

A. Specific educational value or worth
   - All questions were answered completely
   - All calculations were correct
   - Calculations were incorrect
   - Questions were not completely answered
   - Questions were not answered (missed questions)

B. Notebook contains all project records
   - Notebook contained all project records and were fully completed
   - Notebook contained additional project related information (research materials etc.)
   - Project records were incomplete
   - There was no additional project related information

C. Accuracy, neatness and general appearance
   - Notebook was neat in appearance (typed/hand printed)
   - Notebook pages were clean and stain free
   - Notebook pages were in order and complete
   - Notebook pages were out of order and missing pages
   - Notebook was difficult to read and messy
   - Notebook had wrinkled and stained pages

Other Comments:

_____________________________________________________________________________________
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OBJECTIVES

1. Develop desirable work habits, sportsmanship, and ability to cooperate and express ideas through participation in projects, discussions, method demonstrations, judging teams, and exhibits.
2. Experience the pride and responsibility of leasing/owning and caring for rabbits.
3. Learn how to feed, fit, show, breed and raise rabbits.
4. Learn proper handling procedures to prevent injuries to 4-H members and their rabbit projects.
5. Appreciate and use scientific information in rabbit production and marketing.
6. Improve knowledge of grading, marketing and merchandising of rabbits and rabbit products.
7. Improve knowledge of the nutritive value of rabbit meat.
8. Learn the importance of the rabbit industry to the local, state, and national economies.
9. Acquire information on the opportunity that rabbits offer as a career.

This record book is part of your Small Market Rabbit project. By keeping records up-to-date you will be able to see how much progress you make as you set goals and work to accomplish them. Write or type neatly and clearly. Please keep the pages in order. Feel free to add extra pages at the end of your notebook.

SCORING CRITERIA
The following breakdown will be used during the judging process of all market livestock notebooks.

A. Specific educational value or worth 30%
B. Creative way of showing what has been learned 10%
C. Notebooks contains all project records 50%
D. Accuracy, neatness and general appearance 10%

The Oceana County 4-H Small Market Animal Committee encourages 4-H Leader and parent assistance with your project and project notebook.
ANIMAL CARE AND MANAGEMENT

Your project requires regular care and management. List the things necessary to take care of your project animal(s).

Include the following:
- Feeding and watering practices
- Grooming (clipping, toenail trimming, etc.)
- Health practices and medicines
- General Management (cleaning living area, etc.)

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MARKETING

One of the most important parts of any market animal project is marketing; this is how you get someone to come to the auction to buy your animal. It may include things such as writing letters and talking to possible buyers.

- What did you do to market your animal?
- If you had a market project in the past what did you do differently this year?

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AGE & WEIGHT CHART

Date of Weaning: _______________  Age at Time of Weaning: _______________

Weight at time of Weaning:  
(Record in Lbs. /Oz)
Rabbit No. 1 _______________
Rabbit No. 2 _______________
Rabbit No. 3 _______________

Final Weight:  
(Record in Lbs. /Oz)
Rabbit No. 1 _______________
Rabbit No. 2 _______________
Rabbit No. 3 _______________

Total Weight of Market Rabbit Pen: ____________ (TW)
Rabbit Inventory Record

Use one chart for all project rabbits and their offspring. Add pages if necessary.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Animal ID (Name or #)</th>
<th>Registration # and/or Tattoo</th>
<th>Description (breed, color, marking, etc.)</th>
<th>Birth Date</th>
<th>Sex</th>
<th>Ownership Information</th>
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(B) Total Purchases $

* The price you would ask if selling the rabbit.
**MISCELLANEOUS INCOME**

List any income received. Examples: Selling additional offspring, fur, premiums from shows, etc.) If none just write NONE.

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**Total Miscellaneous Income (A)** $

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**EXPENSES- INVENTORY, EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES**

At the beginning of the 4-H year take an inventory of what equipment & supplies are on hand.

Add new equipment or supplies you purchase to the list. Estimate a cost value for any shared equipment (ex: 1 set of nail clippers shared between 3 members $21.00÷3 = $7.00 each.

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<th>Amount &amp; Kind</th>
<th>Already Owned Or Purchased</th>
<th>Purchase Price</th>
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<td>Example: rabbit pen</td>
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<td>1 feed bowl</td>
<td>Purchased</td>
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**Total Equipment & Supplies (C)** $

**FEED RECORDS & EXPENSES**

Keeping good feed records is important. Good records show your expenses for feed and what kind of feed you use for your project. A good practice is to enter your feed expenses when you buy feed. At the end of each month, total each kind of feed used and its cost and record the information below. Home-raised feeds should be valued at market price—what it can be sold for.

**Type and Cost of Feed Used**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Date of Purchase</th>
<th>Amount Purchased (lbs.)</th>
<th>Type of feed (grain, mix, hay, forage pellets, salt, mineral supplement)</th>
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Total Pounds | Total Feed Cost (D) | $
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES OR FEES

List any expenses that do not fit into one of the previous categories. Examples: Breeding Fees, Registration Papers, Medications, Vet Fees, etc. If none write NONE.

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Total Miscellaneous Expenses (E) $ 

PROJECT FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Grand Total of All Expenses (B,C,D,E): $ ________ (TE) (from pgs. 5, 6, 7 & 8)

Total Expenses (TE) – Any Income (A) = $ ____________ (PE)

Project Expense

Project Expense (PE) ÷ Final Weight (FW)
(of pen of 3) = Break Even Price (BE)
(total cost per pound to raise your animal)

** The breakeven price is the price that you need to get at the Small Market animal auction in order to not lose money on your market project. **
### RABBIT BREEDING & LITTER RECORD

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<th>Name &amp; Number of Dam</th>
<th>Name &amp; Number of Sire</th>
<th>Date Bred</th>
<th>Date Kindled</th>
<th>Total Number in Litter</th>
<th>Bucks</th>
<th>Does</th>
<th>Date Weaned</th>
<th>Buck</th>
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<td>Spot/VA8</td>
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### PROJECT PROGRESS AND MANAGEMENT REPORT

Please answer the following questions with at least 20-30 words each.

1. What are your project goals for this year?

   __________________________________________________________

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   __________________________________________________________

   __________________________________________________________

2. Explain the rations you fed your animal(s) and how you decided what diet was required.

   __________________________________________________________

   __________________________________________________________

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   __________________________________________________________
3. Explain how you trained and prepared your animal(s) for show, both market and your showmanship animal.

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4. What part of your project was the most fun? ________________________________

_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
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5. Which part was the hardest? _____________________________________________

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6. Please give a brief account what you learned from doing this project

_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
FIND THE HIDDEN RABBIT DISEASES IN THE PUZZLE ABOVE:
(they may be up, down, forward, backwards and diagonal)
You should be familiar with these diseases.

1. ABSCESSES
2. COCCIDIOSIS
3. EAR CANKER
4. ENTEROTOXEMIA
5. MALOCCLUSION
6. MANGE
7. MASTITIS
8. MYXOMATOSIS
9. PINWORMS
10. PENUMONIA
11. RINGWORM
12. SNUFFLES
13. WEEPY EYE
14. WRY NECK
Match each part from the list below to the part which it identifies on the picture of the rabbit.

1. ________________  8. ________________  15. ________________
2. ________________  9. ________________  16. ________________
3. ________________ 10. ________________  17. ________________
4. ________________ 11. ________________  18. ________________
5. ________________ 12. ________________  19. ________________
6. ________________ 13. ________________  20. ________________
7. ________________  14. ________________

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MY 4-H STORY

Interesting things that happened to me and my animal this year, challenges, highlights of my year or anything else I would like to share about my overall 4-H experience.

POTENTIAL BUYERS NAMES

As part of your 4-H Small Market Livestock Project, you must personally contact at least five potential buyers before the Oceana County Fair. You are encouraged to seek two new buyers that have not been asked or submitted before. You also must have at least three different buyers than those of your siblings in the market livestock project. Please confirm with your buyers their accurate mailing address (example: post office box vs. a street address). The information on page 14 must be completed and taken to the Oceana County MSU Extension Office on or before the due date where it will be copied and used to send out letters to your potential buyers. This page will remain in your notebooks. This is a 4-H Small Market Livestock Committee rule. Failure to comply will result in not being able to sell your animal in the 4-H Small Market Livestock Sale. Please have all buyers signatures on (1) one sheet as copies need to be made at the MSUE office.
SMALL MARKET RABBIT
POTENTIAL BUYER’S LIST

Name________________________ Club __________________________

Please print business names and complete addresses clearly.

1. Contact Name __________________________________________
   Business Name________________________________________
   Mailing Address_______________________________________
   Phone Number________________________________________
   Signature ____________________________________________

2. Contact Name __________________________________________
   Business Name________________________________________
   Mailing Address_______________________________________
   Phone Number________________________________________
   Signature ____________________________________________

3. Contact Name __________________________________________
   Business Name________________________________________
   Mailing Address_______________________________________
   Phone Number________________________________________
   Signature ____________________________________________

4. Contact Name __________________________________________
   Business Name________________________________________
   Mailing Address_______________________________________
   Phone Number________________________________________
   Signature ____________________________________________

5. Contact Name __________________________________________
   Business Name________________________________________
   Mailing Address_______________________________________
   Phone Number________________________________________
   Signature ____________________________________________

(Must be stamped by the MSU Extension Office)
PICTURES OF YOUR PROJECT
(Please use this page for your project pictures. Add additional pages if you would like. The judges appreciate you labeling the pictures so they know what the picture shows.)
**NON-CLUB POINTS**

**4-H SMALL MARKET ANIMAL ASSOCIATION/JUNIOR MARKET PROJECT ATTENDANCE RECORD**

*(must be filled out by participant before requesting signatures from the office)*

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### CLUB POINTS

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