MECOSTA COUNTY 4-H RABBIT PROJECT AREA
NOTEBOOK GUIDELINES
RABBIT EDUCATIONAL NOTEBOOK #3

Items A, B, C, D and E are required for all notebooks.

A. Decorative Cover
B. Title Page
C. Table of Contents and Notebook Guidelines
D. Your 4-H Story-tell about your rabbit project
E. Place the year that you complete each page in the lower right corner of each page.

Level one (1) Rabbit notebook options:

Option #1  -First year-complete 6 of the following items.
-Second year-complete the remaining 6 items.

Option #2  -First year-complete all 12 items

Year
Completed

1. Describe and tell the important characteristics of nine (9) breeds of rabbits. Include body type, breed standard and uses. Total of twenty (20) breeds.

2. Describe the symptoms, cause, treatment and prevention of mucoid enteritis, enterotoxemia (mucoid enteropathy) and mastitis.

3. Describe how to sex a rabbit. Explain what to look for and the proper procedure.

4. Explain why a doe is always taken to the buck's cage for breeding. Give at least two reasons.

5. Define the following terms: breeding, conception, pregnancy, gestation, dry doe, kindle, buck and doe.

6. Prepare a sample pedigree using your rabbit's breed as an example.

7. Illustrate and label the digestive system.

8. Describe the five different breeding programs-line breeding, cross breeding, in breeding, out breeding, and random mating. List the advantages and disadvantages of each.

9. Describe a trip you took to a rabbit show, commercial rabbitry or any other rabbit event.

10. Continue your rabbit records for breeding, feeding, and expenses.

11. Add pictures of you and your rabbits.

12. Display in your notebook the comment cards from the fair and any other rabbits shows you attended.
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