Mecosta County

Rabbit Fryer Market Record Book

- Members showing a rabbit fryer market project must complete this record book

Name:_____

Address:_____

4-H Club:_____

4-H Leader:_____

Age (as of 1/1):_____ Years in 4-H Rabbit Fryer Project:_____

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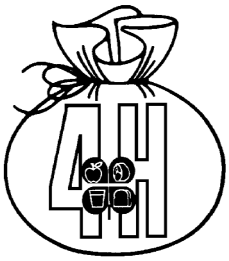

Keeping records on your project can be interesting and fun - not dull or boring.

Good records will:

- Help you learn about animals, their rate of growth, the feed they require, the cost of the feed and their habits.
- Help you plan future projects.
- Let you know if you made or lost money and how much.
- Improve your management practices.
- Give you a record of your project activities.

Keep this record as part of your Personal 4-H Records. This information is helpful for you to plan future year's market projects, as well as if you ever apply for 4-H awards or a 4-H scholarship.

Remember - Records are no better than what YOU put into them!

I understand that this is a **completed** Rabbit Fryer Market Project Record Book as required.

4-H'ers Signature: _____

4-H Leader's Signature: _____

Objectives To let 4-H Members:

- Experience the obligation and responsibility required in a livestock enterprise.
- Experience and cope with the "values" and "attitudes" of responsibility, in a relatively unsupervised environment. Supervision will be on a periodic basis.
- Contribute to the family table with meat, or to experience the marketing process and system, through sale of the product.
- Experience competition through showing the animal at local area organization sponsored shows, the fair and state-wide shows.

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Market Fryer Record

Breeding Record:

Breed _____ Doe ear number_____
Buck ear number _____ Date bred _____
Date kindled _____ Number kindled_____

Litter Record:

Two-week litter weight _____

Remarks _____
_____
_____

Photo two-week-old litter and 4-H member:

Market Fryer Record Weeks 3-5

Three-week weight of market fryer litter _____

Remarks: _____
_____
_____

Four week weight of market fryer litter

Weaned: Yes No

Feeding schedule if weaned completely or partially: _____
_____

Feeding amount _____

Remarks:_____
_____
_____

Five week weight of market fryer litter _____

Weaned: Yes No

Feeding schedule if weaned completely or partially: _____
_____

Feeding amount _____

Remarks:_____
_____
_____

Market Fryer Record Week 6

Six week weight of market fryer litter _____

Weaned: Yes No

Feeding schedule if weaned completely or partially: _____
_____

Feeding amount _____

Remarks:_____
_____
_____

Photo of six-week old litter, doe and 4-H member:

Market Fryer Record Weeks 7-10

	Ear Tag #	Weight	Feed	Remarks
Week 7				
Week 8				
Week 9				
Fair Weigh In Weight Week 10				

My 4-H Project Expenses

In this section you will calculate your cost to prepare your market project for fair and auction.

Items	May	June	July	Project Totals ($)
Food Totals				
Bedding				
Supplies				
Rabbit Fair Expense *	Leave Blank	Leave Blank		
Marketing of Animal **	Leave Blank	Leave Blank		
Monthly Totals				

*Amounts are reported in Pre Fair Newsletter. (Total should match Total)
** Finished Weight (FW) x market price (posted in barn fair week) x 0.04 (commission rate)
Example: 4 lbs. x $2.25 x $0.04 = $0.36

Your Market Fryer Break Even Price

4-H animals are sold by the pound at our Junior Livestock Auction. Find out what bid price (per pound) you need to get at the Junior Livestock Sale to ***break even*** on your 4-H Market Pen.

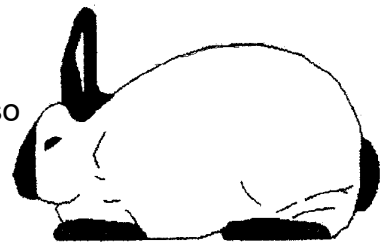
Total Project Expense: _____ (above total) = TPE
Finished Weight: _____ = FW
TPE = Break Even Price (BPE) _____ = cost per pound
FW

Total project expenses (TPE) divided by your finished weight (FW), equals your (BEP), cost per pound to raise your market pen. Example: **TPE= $20.00 FW = 4 lbs.**

Calculate: **20.00 ÷ 4 = $5.00** = cost per lb.

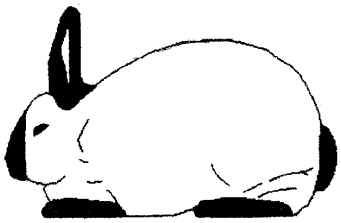
My 4-H Market Fryer Project Photographs

Be creative. The more photographs the better, but a completed record book should at least have a beginning photograph and a finished picture. You are encouraged to be in the photo with your project animal and include additional photographs. You should also include captions on your pictures that at least include the date of the photograph. You may use additional pages.



My 4-H Market Fryer Project Feed Ingredients

Attach a Feed Ingredients Slip/Nutritional Analysis from each of your feed sources. If the feed is mixed in a mill, ask the mill operator for a list of ingredients. If a slip is not available, please describe your feed sources as best as possible.



Attach Feed Slip Here

My 4-H Rabbit Fryer Project Experiences

This is what I learned in my Rabbit Project this year:_____

_____

_____

_____

This is what I enjoyed most about this project:_____

_____

_____

My biggest challenge was:_____

_____

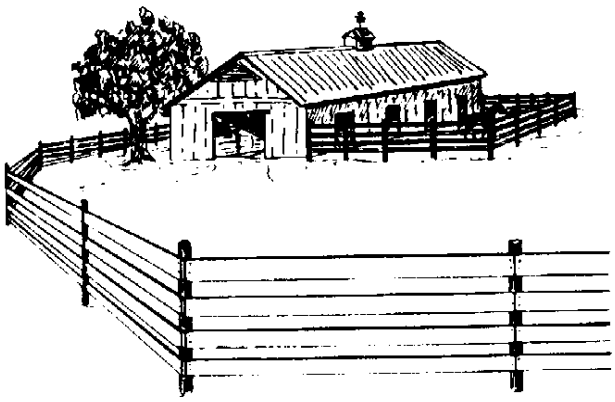
_____

Next year in the Rabbit Project, I plan to:_____

_____

_____

_____



Project Knowledge - Terms

Define the following terms:

1. Buck: _____
   _____
2. Doe: _____
   _____
3. Kindle: _____
   _____
4. Gestation: _____
   _____
5. Weaning: _____
   _____
6. Variety: _____
   _____
7. Intermediate: _____
   _____
8. Junior: _____
   _____
9. Senior: _____
   _____

Answer each of the following:

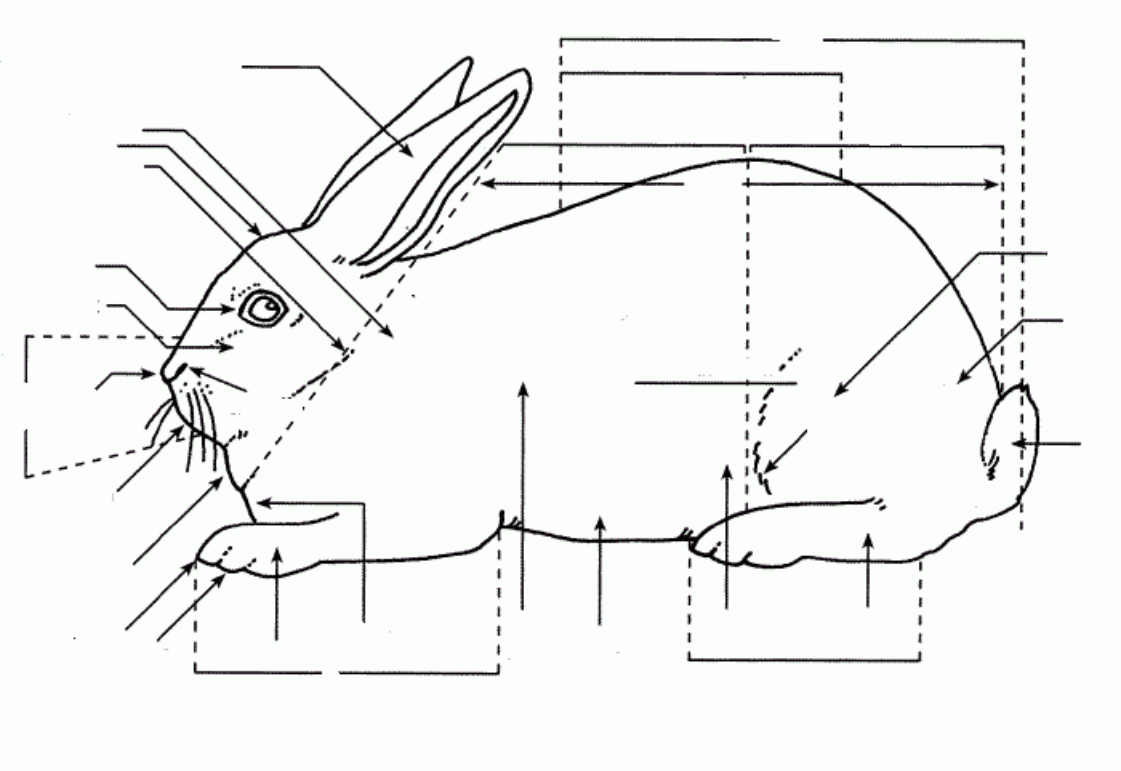
Describe how you prepared your animal for show.

What did you do to insure that you have raised a quality project?

Parts of a rabbit

Label the part of the rabbit.

Age 9 - 12	Label15
Age 13	Label 20
Age 14	Label 25
Age 15 and up	Label All



_____ Chest
_____ Back
_____ Ear
_____ Saddle
_____ Ribs
_____ Tail
_____ Midsection
_____ Dewlap (Does only)
_____ Flank
_____ Forequarters
_____ Eye

_____ Forehead
_____ Nostrils
_____ Toenail
_____ Hock
_____ Foreleg
_____ Belly
_____ Knee (Stifle)
_____ Loin
_____ Mouth
_____ Neck
_____ Nose

_____ Shoulder
_____ Cheek
_____ Muzzle
_____ Hindquarters
_____ Rump
_____ Hip
_____ Toe
_____ Hind Leg
_____ Foot

My 4-H Rabbit Fryer Market Project Record Book Score Sheet

4-H Member: _____

4-H Club: _____

Page		Possible Points	Your Points
1	**COVER SHEET**	**5**	
	All information is completed.		
2	**WHY KEEP RECORDS**	**5**	
	Leader signed book.		
3-6	**PROJECT WEEKLY RECORDS**	**40**	
	All information is neat and complete. All questions are answered.		
7	**PROJECT EXPENSES**	**10**	
	All information is neat and complete. All questions are answered.		
8	**4-H PROJECT PHOTOGRAPHS**	**5**	
	Includes photographs of project animal(s). Captions included with pictures		
9	**FEED RECORD**	**5**	
	All information is neat and complete.		
9	**PROJECT EXPERIENCES**	**10**	
	All information is neat and complete.		
10	**PROJECT KNOWLEDGE AND TERMS**	**10**	
	All information is neat and complete.		
11	**PARTS OF A RABBIT**	**10**	
	All information is neat and complete.		
	Total Points **A: 100-90; B: 89-80; C: 79-70; DQ: Under 69**	**100**	