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:___________
WHY KEEP RECORDS?

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:___________________________________________
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Five week weight of market fryer litter ______________

Weaned: Yes                                       No

Feeding schedule if weaned completely or partially: _________
__________________________________________________

Feeding amount _______________

Remarks:___________________________________________
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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:___________________________________________
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Photo of six-week old litter, doe and 4-H member:
### Market Fryer Record Weeks 7-10

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# My 4-H Project Expenses

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

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*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

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.
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
Age 13
Age 14
Age 15 and up

Label 15
Label 20
Label 25
Label All

_____ Chest
_____ Forehead
_____ Shoulder

_____ Back
_____ Nostrils
_____ Cheek

_____ Ear
_____ Toenail
_____ Muzzle

_____ Saddle
_____ Hock
_____ Hindquarters

_____ Ribs
_____ Foreleg
_____ Rump

_____ Tail
_____ Belly
_____ Hip

_____ Midsection
_____ Knee (Stifle)
_____ Toe

_____ Dewlap (Does only)
_____ Loin
_____ Hind Leg

_____ Flank
_____ Mouth
_____ Foot

_____ Forequarters
_____ Neck

_____ Eye
_____ Nose
# My 4-H Rabbit Fryer Market Project Record Book Score Sheet

4-H Member: ____________________________________________________________

4-H Club: __________________________________________________________________

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**Total Points**

A: 100-90; B: 89-80; C: 79-70; DQ: Under 69

100