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**This rulebook is a guide, which provides leaders, parents, and members with minimum expectations of what must be done to complete 4-H projects, compete successfully, and how the show will be conducted. The rules are necessary in order to provide an opportunity for members to fully demonstrate their skills. They also serve as a guide to all of the volunteers who give generously of their time to conduct the show. Any rule in this book will stand as printed.**

**It is the responsibility of each leader, parent, and member to be aware of the University of Idaho Policies and Procedures, the Elmore County 4-H Rules and Elmore County Fair Board Rules**

**I. GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

Grievances will be handled through the individual working groups and Leader’s Council with notification to the Extension Educator and 4-H Program Coordinator. If the grievance cannot be solved within the working group, it will then go to the Elmore County 4-H Leaders Council with notification to the Extension Educator and 4-H Program Coordinator. If a solution cannot be worked out, notification will go to the Extension Educator and 4-H Program Coordinator for review.

During the fair, the working group chairpersons have the authority after thorough problem identification and notification to the Extension Educator and 4-H Program Coordinator to make decisions concerning problems presented to him/her. If any decision is disputed, the chairman will provide the grievance procedures as above.

**II. Code of Conduct for Parents, Volunteers and Youth Within the Idaho 4-H Youth Development Program**

Idaho families and youth trust the University of Idaho Extension system to provide educational programs in a safe environment for all participants. The opportunity to participate in and/or work with Extension’s Idaho 4-H Youth Development program is a privilege and honor, not a right. Volunteers are to be positive role models. Youth and parents/guardians are expected to demonstrate appropriate behavior at all times. The following Code of Conduct has been established as the foundation for all individuals participating in University of Idaho Extension programs. All Idaho 4-H Youth Development program participants are expected to:

- Work with youth, families, volunteers and Extension personnel in a cooperative, courteous, respectful manner demonstrating good sportsmanship and behaviors appropriate for a positive role model.
- Accept supervision from Extension personnel and cooperate with others; in addition, parents and youth will accept supervision from certified organizational and project leaders.
- Maintain open, honest communication with members, leaders, parents and Extension personnel.
- Uphold every individual’s right to dignity, appropriate self-expression and individual development.

- Refrain from verbal or physical abuse of others and report such abuse, if observed. Any actions, such as conviction for child abuse or neglect, violent crimes, unethical behavior, substance abuse, verbal abuse, physical abuse, mismanagement of 4-H funds, or other serious offenses will not be tolerated.
- Respect, adhere to, and enforce the rules, policies and guidelines established at the county and state levels for the 4-H Youth Development program.
- Promote the spirit of inclusion and welcome participation of other individuals from all backgrounds. Comply with equal opportunity and anti-discrimination laws.
- Refrain from consuming alcoholic beverages, use of tobacco products and/or a controlled substance at 4-H events and activities. Being under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs while in the presence of 4-H members at or during 4-H programs or activities is not acceptable.
- Inform Extension personnel of any incidents that may violate 4-H policies.
- Treat animals humanely and encourage all participants to provide appropriate and ethical animal care.
- Operate machinery, vehicles, and other equipment in a safe and responsible manner when working with youth and adults participating in 4-H/Youth Development programs.
- Ensure that 4-H participants are not required to purchase materials, equipment, animals or services from any specific places of business.
- Comply with all applicable laws of the city, county, and state of residence and/or location of 4-H activity.
- Handle all concerns regarding county/area 4-H program management internally within the University of Idaho Extension system.

Violating the Code of Conduct shall be grounds for action up to or including immediate removal from the 4-H activity/program and termination. Decisions regarding immediate removal, suspension or termination will be made by county Extension office personnel with subsequent notification of and consultation with the District Director and State 4-H Director. Volunteers who wish to appeal a decision may do so through the Appeal Process.

<h3><b>III. ELMORE COUNTY/UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO POLICY</b></h3>
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1. Official UI Extension Elmore County 4-H Fair related activities/programs/events/shows must be held during the week of the Elmore County Fair to be considered an official UI Extension Elmore County 4-H/Elmore County Fair & Rodeo/Elmore County Fair sanctioned event. The official Elmore County Fair Week is defined from Saturday through Saturday.
2. All 4-H/FFA members must be enrolled, and fees paid by March 1 in order to show and sell at the Fair.
3. Members cannot register and participate in the current year until the previous year's thank you cards have been written and their check deposited.
4. All posters should be 14 x 22 inches in size as stated in Project Requirements.

**A. 4-H AGE DIVISIONS**

Elmore County 4-H members are grouped (based on age as of January 1) as follows:

Clover Bud	5 to 7 years old
Junior	8 to 10 years old
Intermediate	11 to 13 years old
Senior	14 to 19* years old (19 & still in high school)

Members must be 8 or older to exhibit large animal projects.

**B. CLOVERBUD GUIDELINES AND POLICY**

The Idaho 4-H Cloverbud Program is offered for youth who are between 5 and 7 years old by January 1 of the current 4-H year.

Cloverbud members may be involved in lap animal projects. These are defined as: rabbits, cavies, cats, chickens, mini-goats, or small dogs that weigh less than the member at fair time.

Fair exhibits by Cloverbuds are non-competitive and are optional. A Cloverbud Memory Book (63013) is available to be used with fair exhibits but is not required. A participation ribbon or similar recognition may be given.

**C. RECORD BOOKS**

1. Each member must participate in a 4-H planned community service project and record it in their involvement report.
2. Each 4-H member must attend at least 6 species specific meetings and do a demonstration for each project.
3. Members must turn in a completed record book for each project. See portfolio checklist in the appendix for more information.
  - The record books need to have all sections filled in and need to be signed by the member, leader, and parent to be considered complete.
  - Signature by the leader verifies the member has completed the requirements.
  - Record Books must be signed by the Project Leader who led the meetings the member attended.
  - If a leader is unavailable the 4-H Program Coordinator or Assistant may sign after verification from the Project Leader that all Requirements have been met.
4. Each member must complete the required number of Animal Science Lessons, CCS Book activities, or other project manuals in order to exhibit and sell at the fair.
5. It is the leader's responsibility to verify completion of Animal Science Lessons and/or

activities.

- Animal Science Lessons must be recorded on an animal science checklist with leader's initials.
    - **And** in the activity log of each record book.
  - One checklist must be included with the first animal record book.
  - Lessons completed must be applicable to the species of animal that the exhibitor is showing.
6. It is required for members to include CCS Book (when project requires) with the record book for exhibit at the Elmore County Fair. The CCS books will not be judged but will be checked for completion of required activities.
  7. All members are required to participate in a record book interview in order to exhibit and sell at the fair. Record books will be in a portfolio cover and in order according to the portfolio checklist. (see appendix)
    - The record book and overall story are required for every 4-H exhibit.
  8. A minimum of 1 labeled photo is required in each record book.

#### **IV. GENERAL 4-H/FFA RULES**

1. Underage consumption of alcoholic beverages will not be tolerated at any time and could be grounds for dismissal from the 4-H program.
2. Any 4-H/FFA member disqualified from the shows for unsportsmanlike behavior or failure to comply with the fair/4-H rules will not be able to sell their market. Leaders will report to the species chairman and the chairman together with the leaders will investigate the issue.
3. Parents or Leaders engaging in unsportsmanlike behavior or failure to comply with fair/4-H rules will be asked to leave. If there are problems, the Fair Board will be contacted, and the individuals will be escorted off the fairgrounds. If there are further problems, the police will be called in.
4. Disrespect shown to any judge or fair official may result in the forfeit of all awards made to the offending exhibitor and that person will be asked to leave the grounds. Disrespect shown to any judge or fair official by parents/leaders will result in being asked to leave the fairgrounds. If there are problems, the Fair Board will escort the individuals off the fairgrounds. If there are further problems, the police will be called in.
5. Judges will be carefully selected and approved by the Elmore County Livestock Committee/4-H Working Groups, the Elmore County Extension Educator, and 4-H Program Coordinator.
6. In all cases, the decision of the judge is final.
7. Each club is to have a representative (leader, parent, or teen) at each leader's council meeting.
8. Chairmen have 1st preference for fair campsite, 2nd preference is leaders and parents who attend

75% of the Leader Council meetings (8 meetings), 3rd preference is leaders and parents who attend 7 meetings and on down to 1 meeting. If campsites are still available, names will be drawn out of a hat for anyone else.

9. To be eligible for a campsite parents must sign a waiver stating they will be on the grounds with their child at all times.
10. FFA Exhibitors participating in the Fair are expected to follow 4-H rules and regulations, except in cases of conflicting program requirements.
11. Leasing animals is permissible. A non-family-owned animal must be managed by the member at least 80% of the time for the required number of days for the species. This includes feeding, grooming, exercising, training, and access to use. Members with non-market animals must have a lease agreement filled out and on file with the Elmore Extension Office. Market animal members with sponsorships must have a financial agreement filled out and on file with the Extension Office.
12. 4-H and FFA class entries may only be for projects in which the member is currently enrolled.
13. The use of cell phones or other electronic devices are not allowed in any show. If member uses cell phone or other electronic devices in any show, it will be considered an infraction of the dress code and left up to the discretion of the judge in placing.
14. The exhibitor-owner of any livestock or property of any kind brought to the fairgrounds, either for exhibit or for other purposes, assumes, as a condition of its admission to the grounds, all risk and responsibility for its loss, theft, damage or injury to himself/herself or property, or injury to any person or the property of any person by the exhibitor-owner's animal. Exhibitors exempt the Elmore County Fair Board, The Elmore County Extension Office, Elmore County 4-H Leaders, their officers, directors, and employees from liability for any loss, theft, damage, or injury to himself/herself, property, any person or property by any animal owned or exhibited by the exhibitor. The exhibitor shall indemnify the County Fair against all claims and any injuries or damages arising from the actions or negligence of the exhibitor.

A. DRESS CODE
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1. The Official Dress Code for all Shows at the Elmore County Fair unless otherwise noted.
  - A long or short sleeved dress shirt/blouse with a traditional or non-traditional collar, which must be to the belt or tucked in, ankle length pants, and closed toe shoe or boot.
  - Hat of western style at judge's discretion.
  - See Dress Code for Horse, Dairy Goat, Small Animal and Dairy for Exceptions.

B. AWARDS
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The county shows will utilize the Danish system of ribbon grouping. The judge will place contestants



in one of four ribbon placing groups based on how well their performance compared to that of an ideal performance. The ribbon groups and their significances are:

- Purple/Pink-An outstanding performance that met all the class requirements. Contained few if any flaws.
- **Members must have received a Blue Ribbon to be eligible to receive Grand or Reserve.**
- Blue-A very good performance that met all of the class requirements. The performance contained few flaws and was well above minimum standards.
- Red-A good performance that met all of the class requirements. The performance was slightly above or at minimum standards. Although displaying good effort, the performance contained several flaws.
- White-An average performance that met the minimum requirements of the class. The performance contained several flaws and considerable room for improvement exists.
- **Where there is but one exhibit in a class, the award shall be made on merit alone.**
- Ribbons awarded for quality market project animals must remain displayed with the project animal or its pen until the evening following the sale. Record book ribbons must remain with the books until authorization is given to remove the books from the fairgrounds.

## V. GENERAL ANIMAL PROJECT RULES

1. All male market animals must be castrated prior to initial weigh-in, subject to inspection.
2. All non-market animals must be declared in the animal section of ZSuite by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday in April in order to show those animals at the fair. Only declared animals are allowed to show at fair.
3. Each 4-H/FFA market member must complete the University of Idaho Elmore County 4-H Weigh-In Contract at initial weigh-in.
4. All market animals will be weighed in and ear-tagged at initial weigh-in when held. All members are responsible for getting their market animal to weigh-in on the determined date. There will be no late weigh-in.
5. Members must provide to the Elmore Extension Office personnel at the time of Weigh-In:
  - Bill of sale with Country-of-Origin Language (COOL) on it for all market.
  - Weigh-in Contract
  - Brand Inspection for Dairy and Beef
  - A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) for animals purchased out of State.

➤ Members raising their own animals must complete a bill of sale with COOL noting their continuous ownership, by stating self-raised.
6. Each member may take two (2) market project animals per species.
  - Each member may weigh in one (1) spare animal per species in addition to the 2 project animals.

- A club in general can weigh in a spare animal of each species for emergency purposes. No spare animals are allowed on Fair Grounds at Fair Time.
  - **Spare animal substitutions are for catastrophic situations only.** Catastrophic is anything that renders the animal unusable.
  - A spare or second project animal that is weighed in on the initial weigh in day can go to any 4-H member at any time. In the event of a catastrophic situation, the 4-H member, with the recommendation of the club leader, must present substitution requests, in writing, the Species Working Group/Task Force, and Extension Office.
7. If a project animal loses the appropriate ear tag, the leader must notify the Extension Office and species chairman immediately and the animal must be issued a new tag number and be retagged if physically possible.
8. Animals that have died can be replaced with a new animal up to 14 days after initial weigh-in if no spare animal or second project is available. Members have until the 21st day after initial weigh-in to take possession of the new animal. The 4-H member must notify the Species Working Group Chairman and the Extension Office upon death of an animal.
- **All market animals must meet the minimum weight at fair.**
    - **Beef -1150 lbs.**
    - **Lamb-105 lbs.**
    - **Barbados/Dorper Sheep-70 lbs.**
    - **Goat-65 lbs.**
    - **Swine-220 lbs.**
9. There will be a 2-lb. leeway at final weigh-in (**except for Market Beef**) as the scales cannot be more accurate than that. The final decision is up to the weigh master.
- **Market animals will weigh only once.**
10. All market animals will be weighed by the same designated weigh master at final weigh-in at fair. In the event scales are in each species area, all market animals of the same species will be weighed by the same designated weigh master at final weigh in at fair.
11. Any 4-H member's animal not meeting the weight requirement will not sell but must continue with their animal by showing in the Feeder division of the Quality Class competition and participating in Fitting/Showmanship. This will fulfill the conditions for a completed project.
12. 4-H Will provide sawdust for the exhibitors to use in their animal pens, If exhibitors choose to use something different than sawdust; they must provide it at their own expense.
13. **All 4-H members must see that their stalls, pens, and alleyways are kept clean from the start of the Fair until the animals are loaded out, or until check-out time on Sunday. All pens and stalls will be cleaned by 10:00 a.m. every day.**
- **Swine pens must be cleaned twice a day Tuesday-Saturday of fair week,**
    - One time before 10 a.m. and One time before 6 p.m.

- If pens do not appear clean the leader will be called so they can notify the member.
- If pens are not cleaned every day to the satisfaction of the species chairman or the fair board, the member will be fined as follows.
- Pig-\$15 morning, \$15 evening, all other animals \$15 a day.
- The fee will progress with \$5 for each offense on all animals. i.e. 1st offense \$15, second offense \$20, third offense \$25 etc.
- The money collected will be given to the fair board.

**14. All market, non-saleable, second projects, and feeder class animals, are to remain on the fairgrounds until Sunday.**

15. Animals may be removed Sunday from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

16. Pens/stalls are to be cleaned by 2:00 p.m. Sunday. A \$25.00 fee per animal will be charged for not cleaning pens on time.

17. Stall Cards must be completed and posted in each stall for all market animals.

18. All animals exhibited or brought to the fairgrounds must be disease free and are subject to inspection. Do not bring sick animals to the Fair.

A. SHOWMANSHIP & QUALITY
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1. All market or breeding animals which have been officially enrolled as 4-H projects, will be shown in Quality classes with the 4-H member showing only once in Showmanship class per species.
2. If a 4-H Member has two animals of the same species in the same weight class, the 4-H member may have one of their animals shown by another Elmore County 4-H member.
3. All animals shall be shown by the 4-H member in Showmanship except when:
  - An uncontrollable animal. In this instance, with the approval of the Extension Educator or 4-H Coordinator, a parent can help. No animal may be shown at the Elmore County Fair that would endanger public safety.
  - A 4-H member who is physically incapable (due to injury, illness, or disability) of showing their animal.
  - The 4-H member, if at all possible, must be available to answer questions from the judge
4. Fitting/Showmanship and Quality will be judged separately.
5. 4-H Exhibitors are responsible for preparing his/her own animals for exhibition but may receive necessary limited assistance from other 4-H youth, leaders, or parents: however, members, leaders, parents working as a team will be acceptable.
6. In order to sell at the Livestock Sale 4-H members are required to compete in both

Showmanship and Quality competitions.

7. Showmanship will be divided into age classifications as determined in the State 4-H policies.

B. MARKET QUALITY CLASS
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1. Quality classes will be divided into groups based on the weights or breeds of the animals.
2. Market animal consignment forms identifying which species and tag number will be sold must be turned in to the office 24 hours after members last market show (except poultry).
3. The top market animals from each division will be judged to determine an Overall Grand and Reserve Champion.
  - The Grand and Reserve Champion animals will be sold first.
  - The remainder of the animals will be sold in order of placing according to sale program.
4. Judges of market livestock quality classes will be instructed to award white ribbons if deemed necessary with an explanation to the 4-H/FFA member as to why they received a white ribbon.
  - White ribbon market animals will not sell.
5. Except as hereinafter set forth, a 4-H member will be allowed to sell only one market animal at the Livestock Sale.
  - The market quality Overall Grand Champion and Reserve Champion of each species of market animals may be sold at the Livestock Sale.
  - In the event a 4-H/FFA member owns more than one market project judged to be the Overall Grand Champion or Reserve Champion, it will be the member's choice whether to sell or not.
6. All floored market animals are available from the Livestock Sale first to the owner (4-H/FFA member) then to other youth members and then to the public at the floor price.
  - If the member wants to buy their turned back animal, they must sign up on the floored animal list in the fair 4-H Office by Friday 5 p.m.
  - The members must specify they want to buy their own animal.
  - The member will pay the floor price for that animal.
7. All 4-H meat animal projects will be free of illegal drugs and in compliance with withdrawal times on all medications.
8. In the event medications must be administered, that will not meet the withdrawal periods, the 4-H/FFA member must notify their leader, who must, in turn, make disclosure to the Extension Office. The project is eligible for quality judging but may not be sold to the public under any circumstances.

## VI. LARGE ANIMAL PROJECTS

### A. BEEF

1. All General 4-H/FFA rules and General Animal Rules (pages 4-11) Apply to this Project.
2. Members must provide primary care of animals including personal possession and responsibility 80% of the time, housing, and feed for all market and breeding animals. Leasing animals is permissible.
3. Ownership of breeding animals is a minimum of 90 days before the fair.
4. Ownership of Market animals is a minimum of 150 days and feeding period is a minimum of 130 days.
5. All female beef cattle 4 months of age & older must be bangs vaccinated prior to fair.
6. Individually identify each market animal with an ear tag at initial weigh-in
7. 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> year members are required to attend an Educational/Pre-fair Clinic each year.
8. All market steers must not be over 950lbs. at initial weigh-in and a minimum weight at final weigh-in must be 1150 lbs.  
**Only market beef making this weight can be sold through the sale.  
Market beef will weigh only once.**
9. In addition to the dress code, a hat of western style is optional.
10. Double tying in pens is required on all animals with a rope halter and neck rope.
11. Barn duty is up to the discretion of the Beef Chairman and will be assigned as needed.
12. Senior bull calves are required to be in an enclosed, separate pen.
13. Senior bull calves 7-12 months old are required to be shown with an appropriate nose ring.
14. All market beef cattle will be shown in leather show halters with chain leads unaltered. Breeding beef cattle and calves 6 months and younger may be shown in rope halters.
15. If any Market Steers are sold on grade and yield, the Beef Working Group will meet and decide how to distribute charges or excess payment to all beef members selling.

16. Beef shown in breeding classes are ineligible for market beef classes and Beef shown in market classes are ineligible for breeding classes.

17. Beef Breeds will be shown separately unless numbers dictate combining classes

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**Beef Breeding Quality Classes**

1. Junior Heifer Calves born on or after Jan 1 of current year
2. Senior Heifer Calves 7-10 months old
3. Junior yearling heifer 11-15 months old
4. Senior yearling heifer 16-23 months old
5. Cow-24 months or older-bred and open cows (Not for cows with calf on side)
6. Cow/Calf
7. Junior Bull calves born on or after Jan 1 of current year
8. Senior Bull calves 7-12 months old

<b>1. BEEF SPECIAL AWARDS</b>
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**Market Beef Management-Carcass-Top Gold Standard**

- USDA Quality Grade Choice Minus or Better
- Hot Carcass Weight of 650-1050 pounds.
- Maximum USDA yield grade of 3
- Minimum 57% Unshrunk Dressed Weight  
Minimum
- Average Daily Gain of 2.8 pounds.
- No dark cutters

Gold Standard- Animals meeting all USDA standards.

Silver Standard-Animals meeting all but one of USDA standards.

Blue Standard-All other animals.

**1. Breeding Beef Herd Management/Supreme Female/Male**

PLACE	POINTS	PLACE	POINTS
Overall Supreme Bull	15	Red	3
Overall Reserve Bull	13	White	1
Overall Supreme Female	15	Grand Record Book	10
Overall Reserve Female	13	Reserve Record Book	8
Grand	10	Blue Record Book	5
Reserve	8	Red Record Book	3
Blue	5	White Record Book	1

2. Overall Beef Excellence/Idaho Cattlemen Award

	White Needs Improvement	Red Fair	Blue Good	Reserve Excellent	Grand Excellent
Sportsmanship	1	3	5	8	10
Animal Care	1	3	5	8	10
Fair Responsibilities	1	3	5	8	10
Average Daily Gain	1	3	5	8	10
Record Book	1	3	5	8	10
Quality	1	3	5	8	10
Showmanship	1	3	5	8	10

3. Exhibitor cannot win Beef Excellence/Idaho Cattlemen Award more than once.

4. Average Daily Gain Award

5. Idaho Angus Association Awards

In order to qualify animals must be 51% black in color, have no Brahma or Dairy influence, and have exhibited at an Idaho Fair.

6. The Outstanding Black Angus Market

Project The animal must be at least 51% Black Angus.

The divisions of both quality and fitting and showing are to be considered.

An exhibitor may receive the outstanding Black Angus market project award more than once but not two years in a row.

7. The Outstanding Black Angus Breeding Project

The animals must be at least 51% Black Angus. Females and bulls are eligible. The divisions of both quality and fitting and showing are to be considered.

An exhibitor may receive the outstanding Black Angus market project award more than once but not two years in a row.

Points System for Idaho Angus Awards

Quality Point Placing		Showmanship	
Placing Grand Champion	10	Grand Champion	10
Reserve Champion	8	Reserve Champion	8
Blue	5	Blue	5
Red	3	Red	3

8. Idaho's Top Black Angus Carcass-\$100 This is a state award. Carcass information is sent by the Extension Office to the Idaho Angus Association.

- In order to qualify animals must be 51% black in color, have no Brahma or Dairy influence, and have exhibited at an Idaho Fair. Criteria for judging will be based on the Certified Angus Beef Formula.

## B. DAIRY

1. All General 4-H/FFA rules and General Animal Rules (pages 4-11) Apply to this Project.
2. The dress code is in Traditional Form, all white clothing and no hats.
3. Members may participate in the Cattle Kids Dairy project program for a maximum of 2 years and then can continue in a regular club.
4. All female dairy cattle 4 months of age & older must be bangs vaccinated prior to fair.
5. Possession date of dairy heifers is April 1 of the project year. In the event of sickness or death of the dairy heifer, the Dairy Chairman and 4-H Office will be notified, and the member has 15 days to find a heifer replacement.
6. No “sale barn” heifers will be allowed.
7. All unbred dairy heifers will be pipetted at vet check. Pipetting will be done to ensure the heifer is not a freemartin and is a quality project.
8. Each member must attend a dairy seminar or clinic as sanctioned by the Dairy Working Group. In the event a participant is unable to comply, the Dairy Working Group Chairperson may authorize a leader’s recommended alternative.
9. All breeds will be shown separately unless numbers dictate combining.
10. Dairy Quality Classes
  - A. Junior heifer calf-Born on or after Jan 1 of current year.
  - B. Senior heifer calf-Born on or after August 1 to Dec. 31 of previous year
  - C. Junior yearling heifer-12-17 months old
  - D. Senior yearling heifer -18-24 months old not in milk
  - E. Milking Cow
  - F. Cow/Calf
  - G. Dry Cow
11. Only 4-H/FFA Members are allowed in the Beef/Dairy Barn area 30 minutes prior to show time until 30 minutes following completion of the show.
  - Only Dairy Chairman, Leaders, 4-H/FFA staff and dairy assistants can be in fitting area.
  - Parents wanting to take Grand or Reserve pictures may enter after awards are given through the east gate by wash racks but must exit after picture is taken.

## C. GOAT /SHOAT/GEEP



All General 4-H/FFA rules and General Animal Rules (pages 4-11) Apply to this Project. Small Animal Goat Projects must also refer to the Small Animals Rules (page 25)

Dress Code:

1. **Dairy Goat:** White collared long-sleeved shirt to the belt or tucked in, ankle length pants, and closed toed shoes or boots for all classes.
2. **Market Goat:** Market Goat will use the Official Dress Code. See Page 8.

### **Market Goats**

Members will learn how to raise goats for the purpose of meat. Any goat may be shown in this project. Remember, Pygmy Goats are also a meat goat.

1. Ownership of a Market Goat project is a minimum of 70 days before Fair.
2. Members must track feed, housing, weight gain/loss for a minimum of 60 days.
3. Goats must be born on or after December 1<sup>st</sup> immediately prior to the show year to show and sell.
4. Market Goats must weigh a minimum of 45 lbs. at initial weigh-in.
5. Minimum final weight must be 65 lbs. to sell. No maximum weight. There is a 2 lb. leeway. Market goats will be weighed only once.
6. All goats should be fit according to meat goat standards. No slick shearing.
7. A feeder class will be available for animals that didn't make weight. These animals will be judged the same as a market class but will not sell.
8. Goats shown in meat goat quality cannot be shown in breeding classes.
9. Meat Goat Quality Classes will be by weight and will be determined after final weigh-in.

### **Showmanship Classes**

1. Pygmy or small breed goat may use a chain or flat buckle collar with a lead strap no longer than 14".
2. Market Goats may be shown in a halter or collar.
3. Dairy Goat of a large breed may use a choke chain or chain collar. No lead strap allowed.
4. All members must show in showmanship at the fair unless doing a pet project in which they may choose to exhibit a display or poster related to their project.

### **Breeding/Pet**

1. Members must declare their breeding/pet goat project by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday in April in order to be allowed to show at Fair.

2. It is highly recommended that all goats be dehorned or tipped.
3. Any breed of goat, whether a pet or intended breeding project.
  - A. Members will learn how to look for conformation of a breeding animal and show them in classes respective of their age and get.
  - B. Members showing pet goats will show in breeding classes for quality whether breeding or not. Members will show (no matter the breed) goats for breeding project in breeding quality classes. Udders for In-Milk classes should be full but not over tight. Milking the morning of the show will be allowed but not before class commences. If goats require milking, member must bring means of disposal for milk as we do not want it put in any fairground trash cans for reasons of spoilage and pests/parasites. Please check which class you will be showing in to see udder requirements.
  - C. See below for class list.

### **Pack**

Members will learn the use of goats as a pack animal and how to display what they've learned over the year in an obstacle course.

- A. Open to wethers, does and doelings, six months of age or older.
- B. Please do milking prior to event.
- C. Any breed of goat is permitted.
- D. All pack goats must wear flat buckle collar and be shown in packsaddle.
- E. Pack Goat Obstacle Course-Class will be grouped according to 4-H age divisions.

### **Breeding Quality Classes**

Will show by breed unless 3 or more of breeds are not present, then classes will be combined, and animals will be judged by their breed requirements. The animals that best meet the standards for their breed will then place accordingly. If no grand or reserve awards are given for separate breeds, no best of show awards will be placed.

### **Does**

#### **Junior Does**

1. Baby Kids..... April 1<sup>st</sup> to show date
2. Junior Kids.....4 months to under 6 months
3. Intermediate kids...6 months to under 8 months
4. Senior Kids.....8 months to under 12 months
5. Dry Yearlings.....12 months to less than 24 months, not having two-year teeth.
6. Grand Champion Junior Breed Doe
7. Reserve Champion Junior Breed Doe

#### **Senior Does-having freshened at least once**

1. Under 2 dry..... not having 2 yr teeth
2. 2 years to under 3 years dry..... not having 3 yr teeth
3. 3 years to under 4 years dry..... not having 4 yr teeth
4. 4 years to under 6 years dry..... not having 6 yr teeth
5. 6 years and up dry
6. Dry Grand Champion Breed Doe
7. Dry Reserve Champion Breed Doe

8. Under 2 in milk.....not having 2 yr teeth
9. 2 years to under 3 years in milk.....not having 3 yr teeth
10. 3 years to under 4 years in milk.....not having 4 yr teeth
11. 4 years to under 6 years in milk.....not having 6 yr teeth
12. 6 years and up in milk
13. Grand Champion Breed Milking Doe
14. Reserve Champion Breed Milking Doe
15. Overall Breed Grand Champion Doe
16. Overall Breed Reserve Champion Doe
17. Best Udder of Breed from lots 8-12

**Production Classes**

1. Produce of Dam.....two or more does from the same dam, freshened or not.
2. Junior Get-of-Sire.....to consist of two or more does never freshened from the same sire
3. Senior Get-of-Sire.....to consist of two or more does from the same sire, having freshened at least once
4. Dam and Daughter
5. Three Generations.....Grand-Dam, Dam, Daughter
6. 4-H Breeder’s Trio.....three does all bred and owned by the same member.
7. 4-H Dairy Herd.....three or more milking does owned by the same member, does not have to be same breeding.
8. Best Junior Doe in Show.....Junior Champion of each Breed compete
9. Best Senior Doe in Show.....Senior Champion of each Breed compete
10. Best Junior Wether in Show..Junior Champion of each Breed compete
11. Best Senior Wether in Show..Senior Champion of each Breed compete
12. Best Udder in Show.....Best Udder of each Breed compete

**Pet Class**

1. Includes all breeds and all ages.

D. HORSE

See 4-H/FFA Horse show guidelines and rule book for specific rules to be followed.

F. SHEEP

1. All General 4-H/FFA rules and General Animal Rules (pages 4-11) apply to this project.
2. All exhibit ewes and market ewe lambs, regardless of color or breed, must have official Scrapie ID tags.
3. Each 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> year member MUST participate in a sheep educational clinic or show, which will be approved by the leader. All other members are encouraged to attend a sheep specific seminar, clinic, or show.

4. Member must own and provide primary care for breeding animals at least 90 days before the fair.
5. Sheep shown in breeding classes are ineligible for market lamb classes and sheep shown in market classes are ineligible for breeding classes.
6. For market lambs, members must own, provide primary care for a minimum of 70 days, and comply with the county feeding period for a minimum of 60 days.
7. Using a scale approved by the Extension office, the recommended minimum weight at initial Weigh in is 70 lbs. The recommended maximum weight at initial weigh-in is 90 lbs. If the member's lamb(s) weighs under 70 lbs. or over 90 lbs., the member may have seven (7) days to find a new lamb, have it weighed on scales approved by the Extension Office and complete the weigh-in contract.
8. Should any sheep exhibit signs of a health problem prior to initial weigh-in, it will be the member's responsibility to inform their leader who in turn shall consult a sheep resource leader or veterinarian as to the risk inherent in the problem. If the problem is determined to present short-term risk and not affect the project, arrangements must be made for a quarantined weigh-in.
9. Barbados
  - Date of Birth for Barbados lambs can be Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> of the previous year, (the year before they are to be shown) or later.
  - Hair Sheep Class- Barbados and Dorper sheep will show in their own quality class at fair.
10. Sheep Tail Docking Rule:  
 Market lambs must be docked such that the tail dock is healed. Lambs exhibiting evidence of surgically removed tail vertebrae or redocking are ineligible.
  - Animal Husbandry: Should a member's lamb develop symptoms of any type of rectal prolapse, at any time, the member is required to immediately initiate treatment.
  - If symptoms persist during the fair, the Sheep chairman, Leader, Fairboard member and/or Livestock Chair will evaluate.
  - Education: It will continue to be the duty of the SWG to emphasize the importance of a "liftable" dock, educate about the environmental causes and symptoms of prolapse, and the benefits to timely treatment procedures.
11. Market Lamb members must use sawdust or chips in pens at the fair instead of straw.
12. All market lambs must be shorn and dry at final weigh-in. Sheared within 7 days of final weigh-in.
13. The minimum weight at final weigh-in at the Fair will be 105 lbs.
  - Exception: Barbados & Dorper 70 lbs.

14. Only market lambs making this weight can be sold at the livestock sale. There is a 2-lb. leeway.
  - Sheep will only be weighed once.
15. All sheep must be healthy at final weigh in and any suspect sheep may be required by the Sheep Working Group to have a veterinarian approval prior to final weigh in.
16. Lamb quality classes will be divided by the Sheep Chairman into as many classes as necessary to accommodate the number of lambs being shown starting with the lightest lambs to the heaviest lambs.
17. Judges of market lamb quality classes will be instructed to:
  - A. Establish the sale order of the market lambs in the Overall Quality Class.

**1. SHEEP SPECIAL AWARDS**

**Flock Management Award** Will include All breeding sheep, all market lambs, owned or leased by the member and the members record books. Market lambs bred by the member will receive a maximum of 3 additional points. Tie breaker will be the Average Daily Gain on market lamb. If member has two (2) market lambs the lamb with best average daily gain will be used.

- Overall Grand and Overall Reserve will only receive points for these placings.

**Sheep Management Awards** Will include All breeding sheep, all market lambs, owned or leased by the member and the members record books. Market lambs bred by the member will receive a maximum of 3 additional points. Tie breaker will be the Average Daily Gain on market lamb. If member has two (2) market lambs the lamb with best average daily gain will be used.

	<u>Quality</u>	<u>Showmanship</u>	<u>Record Books</u>
Overall Grand	15	15	15
Overall Reserve	13	13	13
Grand	10	10	10
Reserve	8	8	8
Blue	5	5	5
Red	3	3	3
White	1	1	1

**G. SWINE**

All General 4-H/FFA rules and General Animal Rules (pages 4-11) Apply to this Project.

1. Own and provide primary care for a minimum of 100 days and comply with county feeding program.

2. 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> year members are required to attend an Educational/Pre-fair Clinic each year.
3. Individually identify each animal with an ear tag at initial weigh-in.
4. The Swine Working group recommends that all market swine projects weigh between 55 to 70 pounds at initial weigh-in. This helps to ensure that market swine projects will successfully make weight, without being overweight at fair.
5. Swine will not be fed swill. It is the leader's responsibility to make sure that the swine are on an approved, disease free, feed program. If swine projects are found to be consuming swill and/or garbage, the project will be terminated and/or removed from the fair.
  - **Idaho Code 25-234 states in part: FEEDING GARBAGE TO SWINE.** shall be unlawful for any person to feed garbage to swine, or to deposit or receive such garbage on any premises where swine are kept, and no swine having fed on such garbage may be sold or removed from the premises. Garbage as used in this section means putrescible animal or vegetable wastes containing animal parts, resulting from the handling, preparation, processing, cooking, or consumption of food and which is collected from any source and includes animals or parts thereof as defined in section 25-3201, Idaho Code.
6. Minimum weight for finished market swine at final weigh-in at the Fair will be 220 lbs. There is a 2 lb. leeway
  - **Only market swine making this weight can be sold at the livestock sale.**
  - **Swine will be weighed only once.**
7. Final Swine weigh-in will be from 8am-10am.
8. Swine not already in the barn the morning of weigh-in cannot unload and enter the barn until all swine in the barn have been weighed-in and are back in their pens.
9. Swine under 220 lbs. will be classified as feeder swine and will be shown in a Quality Feeder Class. Feeder class swine will not compete for overall market swine quality and will not sell at the 4-H Livestock Sale.
10. Per request of butchers, body hair on swine should be no shorter than  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch. Shorter could result a fine imposed by the butcher or a Disqualification from judge.
8. Sawdust will be used in all swine pens at Fair. There will be no straw used.
9. Every swine member will participate in barn duties at the fair, scheduled by the swine chairman.
10. For market swine the maximum pay weight will be 290 lbs.

**1. SWINE SPECIAL AWARDS**

1. Swine Management Award will be figured using the table below.

	<u>Quality</u>	<u>Showmanship</u>	<u>Record Books</u>
Overall Grand	15	15	15
Overall Reserve	13	13	13
Grand	10	10	10
Reserve	8	8	8
Blue	5	5	5
Red	3	3	3
White	1	1	1

- Members with 2 projects-the highest placing animal will be scored, and the second project is given 3 points.
- If there is a tie the award will be split.

2. Breeding Swine Management award to be figured same as the swine management award.

**VII. SMALL ANIMAL PROJECTS**

1. All General Rules and General Animal Rules (pages 4-11) apply to these projects.
2. **Dress Code for Small Animals Shows:** Long sleeved collared white shirt to the belt or tucked in and ankle length pants, closed toed shoes or boots.
  - Small animal members not dressed according to the dress code will have 5 minutes to change otherwise they will not show.
3. Small Animals must be in the small animal barn from Monday until Sunday morning, unless other arrangements are made with the chairman due to health issues with the animal (exception of cats). Exhibitors that choose not to leave their animal in the barn at fair, will not show their animals.
4. Small Animals to be housed and exhibited at fair must be parasite free. They will be inspected for parasites prior to entering the barn or show. The Small Animal Chairperson will have a set time to inspect all animals, animals must be dry at the time of inspection. Animals with parasites (including mites) will not be allowed to show and must leave the fairgrounds.
5. Small Animal Chairman will assign barn duty. All Small Animal members are required to participate in barn duty.
6. Members can show 2 animals of the same species one for showmanship and one for quality. Only animals being shown at fair may be housed in the small animal barn.

7. Small animals registered as pets will not show in a Quality Class.
8. 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> year members are required to attend an Educational/Pre-fair Clinic each year.
9. No hay may be fed in the small animal barn during fair week.
10. Pellets or shavings must be used as bedding during fair week. No straw in the small animal barn.
11. Follow the University of Idaho Project Requirements for individual species rules.

A. DOG
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All General 4-H/FFA rules and General Animal Rules (pages 4-9) Apply to this Project.

**Dress Code**

1. Showmanship, Obedience

- Dresses, culottes, skirts (which must be knee length or longer), dress pants, slacks, dress shirts/blouses that maintain an appropriate neckline and not show any skin at the waist. Closed toe shoes.
- No open-toed shoes, sandals or high heels. No flip flops at dog practices or fair shows.

**Agility**

- Casual neat clothes-Just above knee length shorts acceptable, short or long sleeve tops which must maintain an appropriate neckline and not show any skin at the waist.
- Closed toe shoes or boots. No flip flops at dog practices or fair shows.

Rules

1. Provide primary care for and train 1 or more dogs for at least 90 days. The dog may be registered or unregistered, crossbred male or female. In case of death, 90-day ownership rule will be decided by the Small Animal Chairperson on a case-by-case basis.
2. All 1st year members must attend a dog educational clinic or seminar as sanctioned by the Dog Working Group. In the event a participant is unable to comply, the Dog Working Group Chairperson may authorize a leader’s recommended alternative.
3. The Service Dog in Training Project is designed for 4-H members using a project dog that is being raised and trained in conjunction with a recognized service dog program or organization. Members must participate in the standard showmanship classes for which the member is eligible and may participate in the Service Dog Obedience Class.
  - For the Service Dog Project, if a puppy trade occurs, members are to notify the Dog Working Group Chairman and Extension Office of the date the trade occurs and the return date.
4. If a member’s dog is deemed out of control and/or dangerous at practices or shows by a 4-H leader, a parent or guardian must accompany the member to practices and shows until the leader



deems the dog is safe. If the dog continues to be out of control/dangerous, the dog will not be allowed to participate in the 4-H dog program.

5. Puppies must be 3 months old as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of current year to be eligible to be shown at the fair. Exception: Service Dogs must be 4 months old by July.
6. All dogs 4 months and over must have a current rabies vaccination. 5 way or 7-way vaccination to include kennel cough is recommended.
7. Verification form for vaccinations must be signed by leaders, members, and parents with a receipt or bottle label attached. This form with attachments must be included in the member's record book.
8. A different dog may be used for showmanship, obedience, and agility as long as all dogs are recorded in the member's record book as projects.
9. All dogs will be brought in and taken home the day of the show, always crated or on a lead and never left unattended on fair grounds.
10. Females in season will only be allowed to participate in showmanship in order for the member to complete their project.
11. There will be no professional groomer grooming dogs 2 weeks prior to fair and until a dog is finished showing at the fair.
12. The judge may remove from competition, any dog that is not kept under control by its handler, any handler who deliberately interferes with another competitor or his dog, any handler who abuses his dog in the ring or shows unsportsmanlike conduct, and any spectator who shows unsportsmanlike conduct or who interferes with the show.
13. Outside dogs (dogs not being used as a 4-H project by a 4-H member) are not allowed at any practice, show or event unless authorized by a leader for a specific purpose.
14. Participation is required in Showmanship class. A showmanship lead of 1-31/2 feet is required. A showmanship lead is narrower and cannot be purchased at local pet stores. It can be purchased online. See your leader for more information. Snake chains are allowed.
  - Scoring for showmanship will be: Blue-185-200 Red-170-184 White-169 & below
15. Participation in Obedience, Agility, & Costume Classes is optional.
  - To Show in Agility you must Show in Obedience.
  - For Obedience a 6 ft. lead of nylon or leather is required.

## **Obedience**

### Obedience Classes

- A. Neither dog nor handler has had experience at this level
- B. Either the dog or the handler has had previous experience at this level. Members in the same family may use the same dog for obedience

### Service Dog Obedience Classes

- A. Neither dog nor handler has had experience at this level

B. Either the dog or the handler has had previous experience at this level. Members in the same family may use the same dog for obedience.

Pre-Novice (all exercises are on leash)

Heel on leash  
 Figure 8 on leash  
 Stand for Exam  
 Recall  
 Long sit (1 min)  
 Long down (3min)

Novice (on and off leash)

Heel on leash and Figure 8  
 Stand for Exam (off leash)  
 Heel free (off leash)  
 Recall (off leash)  
 Long sit (1 min off leash)  
 Long down (3 mins off leash)

Graduate Novice (on and off leash)

Heel on leash  
 Stand for Exam (off leash)  
 Heel Free and Stand for Exam (off leash)  
 Drop on Recall (off leash)  
 Long sit (3 mins, handler out of sight)  
 Long down (5 mins, handler out of sight)

Open (off leash)

Heel free and Figure 8  
 Drop on recall  
 Retrieve on Flat  
 Retrieve over High Jump

Utility (off leash)

Signal Exercise  
 Scent Discrimination – Leather  
 Scent Discrimination – Metal

Utility (off leash)

Directed Retrieve  
 Moving Stand and Examination  
 Directed Jumping  
 Long sit (3 mins, handler out of sight)  
 Long down (5 mins, handler out of sight)

Scoring:

180-200	Blue Ribbon
160-179	Red Ribbon
159 and below	White Ribbon

**Agility**

1. Scoring: 85-110 points, blue. 70- 84 points, red 0-69 points, white.
2. One Grand Champion and one Reserve Champion (awarded only to blue placing scores) may be given to the highest score and second highest score in each class and age division.
3. Members in the same family may use the same dog for agility.
4. The judge will penalize any handler receiving outside assistance. In severe cases, the handler will receive a white ribbon. The show committee is also responsible for investigating any incidents of outside assistance reported to them.
5. Any dog refusing an obstacle for the third time will be asked by the judge to go on to the next obstacle. Anyone not obeying the judge's order will be eliminated - receiving no ribbon.
6. A dog unable to complete the course for ceasing to work for a significant period of time as defined by the judge or being out of control will receive a white ribbon. Handlers may use voice commands, signals, or both.
7. Handlers are encouraged to talk or cheer their dogs through the course. There is no penalty for multiple commands or verbal encouragement, but all must be in the spirit of good sportsmanship.

8. Any dog fouling the ring during competition - once they have entered the ring to run their course - will be faulted at judge's discretion. Handler will be asked to clean equipment with vinegar, or some other odor-neutralizing substitute, should be on hand to clean fouled equipment. Fouled equipment may be removed from the course at the judge's discretion, and all dogs running the course previously may, at the judge's discretion, be required to rerun the course again.
9. Any dog which commits to a contact obstacle (A-frame, dog walk, see saw) with all four paws, and then bails off during a competition will be told by the judge to omit the obstacle and go on to the next. Any handler not obeying the judge will be eliminated, receiving no ribbon. ("Four Paw Rule")
10. Poor sportsmanship will not be tolerated. Any handler exhibiting poor sportsmanship such as swearing, yelling at their dog, pulling on their dog's fur or body parts, excessive corrections, loud complaints about other exhibitors or the judge, etc., will be eliminated - receiving no ribbon.
11. A dog/handler team receiving three blue ribbons with parents and leader's approval may advance to the next level the following year.

### Safety Rules

1. Individual members must attend a least 10 instructional sessions in agility with the dog they are entering in agility competition. Dogs and handler must be trained on all equipment within a specified class to compete. Either 4-H classes or those of an experienced trainer with verification will be accepted.
2. Dogs must be a minimum of 12 months old to compete in agility classes/competition. It is recommended that dogs be a minimum of 12 months old to begin agility training and larger breeds be at least 18 months old. This is because for most breeds the growth plates in the bones are still developing until the average age of fourteen months - even later for large breeds. The final determinations for training age and the type of training must be made by the owner and trainer.
3. No dog with a physical or mental condition that would significantly impair their performance may participate. Some examples of these include (but are not limited to) hip dysplasia, disc problems, severely slipped stifles, shoulder problems, overweight, or advancing age. All 4-H'ers are strongly encouraged to consult their veterinarian before beginning agility training. A judge, superintendent, chairman, or 4-H leader at county events will have the authority to stop the performance of any dog whose soundness they question.
4. Dogs that show signs of aggression toward humans or other dogs will not be permitted to participate.
5. Agility competitions must be performed on a level, shock absorbent surface that provides good footing for the take-off and landing of jumps. Outdoors on short grass, dirt, or any other footing commonly used in horse areas is ideal. It is recommended that dirt be packed hard enough to prevent injury to either dog or handler. A fully matted or carpeted area may provide an acceptable

alternative. The judge will inspect the area to be used, and if it is unacceptable, will request a different location. In extreme cases, the show may need to be canceled.

6. The use of completely fenced area is encouraged (but not required).
7. All participants will be allowed one practice run. A familiarization period will be offered in the Elementary and Pre-Novice classes prior to opening the course for walk-through at all agility events. It will consist of walking over each contact obstacle and each tunnel. Familiarization for Novice is recommended but not required. At events where time may be of issue, obstacles other than contacts may be omitted at the discretion of the organization putting on the trial. This is not a training session. All obstacles except the see-saw and chute (collapsed tunnel) must be taken in reverse direction of the course.
8. A supervised warm-up area consisting of only a single jump will be provided in a specified area outside the ring. No obstacle or jump shall be permitted elsewhere on the show grounds for training, warm-up, or other preparatory purposes.
9. Judges will inspect all equipment prior to beginning the show and may modify the requirements to the extent necessary to eliminate any piece of unsafe equipment.
10. All agility jumps must be of the type that have a displaceable bar or plank.
11. The Superintendent is the final authority regarding 4H dog agility competition.
12. Training aids and treats are not permitted on the course during familiarization or competition. Exception: First year beginners and cloverbuds may use treats.
13. When a collar is used (required in Pre-Agility, Beginner, Elementary, and Pre-Novice, optional in Novice) it must be a plain, well-fitting buckle or clip/quick release collar with no tags or other attachments. Training collars, pinch collars, electronic collars, head halters, and fancy collars are not permitted. No slip leads or slip collars may be used during familiarization or competition.
14. Handlers may not jump over the jumps with their dogs.
15. Handlers may not touch their dogs or an obstacle while running the course unless dog goes off course and needs direction back to the obstacle.
16. Pre-Agility and Beginners using a leash must hold it at all times except when the dog is going through a tunnel. After each tunnel, the leash must be picked up before the next obstacle is executed. A 6-foot obedience leash is required.

Jump heights are as follows:

Dog's Height	Height of Jump	Long Jump Width
Pre-Agility and Beginner		
10" or under at the withers	4"	N/A
14" or under at the withers	8"	N/A
Over 14" at the withers	12"	N/A

Elementary and Above		
10" or under at the withers	4"	8"
14" or under at the withers	8"	16"
18" or under at the withers	12"	24"
22" or under at the withers	16"	32"
Over 22" at the withers	20"	40"

A competitor can choose to jump at a higher level if they feel their dog is able and they are training at that level, but they must have their leader's permission.

Dogs may be measured by judge or show personnel.

All courses must have clearly designated starts and finishes. All obstacles must be sequentially numbered with numbered cones or some other movable system. The numbers must be a minimum of 4" tall.

All competitors in agility must be active in their county's dog project and exhibit in showmanship at the county fair.

Size of show ring to be large enough to accommodate obstacles.

Obstacles on the course should be spaced approximately 18' apart. In no case shall obstacles be spaced any closer than 12' apart.

A member may show only one dog in agility.

Any 4-H member may lease a dog for agility (per 4-H dog show rules - must provide the care and training for that dog pursuant to established 4-H dog show rules).

Individual Counties shall determine the initial level at which each dog / handler team competes. The safety of the team shall be the primary consideration when making this placement.

#### Disabled Handlers

4H Members with disabilities are encouraged to take part in Dog Agility. The judge is to consider each case individually and make a fair and suitable adjustment for judging disabled handlers. The Judge's decision is final, as it is for all handlers in agility competition.

Courses and individual course times may be altered to accommodate handlers with disabilities. Hearing or verbally impaired handlers may use clickers or squeakers to aid in running their dog through the course.

Judges may use flags or relay a signal to a course steward who will use a flag to communicate to the handler, if necessary.

When a course time adjustment is necessary, it is suggested to have the handler "test run" the course

without their dog, going from obstacle to obstacle at a reasonable rate for the handler. The Judge will record the time using a stopwatch and determine an adjusted Course time for that handler, making sure to record the adjusted course time on the appropriate score sheet.

All Disabled handlers needing an adjusted Course Time should inform the Agility Superintendent as soon as possible that they would need an adjusted time. The Superintendent will inform the Judge as early as possible.

## **VIII. 4-H BUILDING EXHIBIT PROJECTS**

1. All general rules (pages 4-7) apply to this department.
2. All exhibits are to remain in the Exhibit Building until Sunday and may be removed from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
3. All posters should be 14"x22" inches.
4. Building exhibits are turned in at Record Book interviews at the fairgrounds.
5. Perishable food items are turned no later than 9 am on Thursday before fair, at the Extension Office.

## **IX. 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS**

1. All shooting sports rules not specifically addressed will fall under the guidelines put forth in the Idaho 4-H Shooting Sport Rules.
2. For shooting sports projects there will be 10 meetings required.
  - Four of these will be comprised of club meetings, STEM meetings, community service, fundraisers, etc.
  - These meeting only need to be done once and will count for all shooting sports projects.
  - The other six meetings must be discipline specific shooting meetings.
3. If there is more than one shooting sports project being completed the shooting meetings may be adjusted as follows;
  - Archery will require six shooting meetings regardless of other shooting sports projects.
  - If more than one-gun related shooting sports project is being completed, then the first project will require 6 shooting meetings. Each additional project will require 4 shooting meetings. Meetings where instruction and practice for more than one discipline is completed can be counted for both projects.
4. Shotgun, Rifle, and Pistol competitions will be held at the shooting range the Saturday that begins Fair Week.

A. 4-H RULES FOR ARCHERY COMPETITION AT FAIR
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1. DRESS CODE: All youth participating in fair week shooting competition matches are to follow the dress code as outlined on page 8. A hat or cap is acceptable.
2. Archers with special needs should contact the archery committee early so they can determine what can be done to accommodate the archer.
3. All archers must be signed up in the Shooting Sports project. You must complete your archery project to participate in the shoot at the Elmore County Fair.
4. Participation in shooting competitions during Fair Week will fulfill the display requirement for each shooting project.
5. If members choose not to participate in these competitions, they can submit a poster or display as outlined in the project requirements to complete their shooting project. Only these items will be judged with the other posters and display items.
6. Kisser buttons and/or peep sights must be permanently affixed and not moved during competition. Kisser buttons and /or peep sights are permitted in the Freestyle.

DISQUALIFICATIONS:

1. Any shooter acting in an unsafe manner will be disqualified.
2. Unsportsmanlike like actions such as intentionally bothering another shooter by noise or actions or bothering the shooters equipment shall be reason for disqualification.
3. Disqualifications shall be at the discretion of the Archery Committee Members present. ALL complaints must be filed with committee members before the completion of the day's events. The ruling of committee members is final.

Bow Classes	Permitted	Not Permitted
Compound Bow	Release aids, string peeps, optical sights. 60 lb. maximum draw weight. Multiple pin sights allowed	Overdraws may not place the arrow rest further than 6 cm from the pivot point of the bow.
Bare Bow (Must have 3 or more participants otherwise it will be combined with Traditional/Recurve Bow for competitions)	Adjustable arrow rests may be used. Release aids are limited to fingers, tabs, or gloves. 60 lb. maximum draw weight.	String peeps and mechanical release aids. Optical sights or lenses of any type.
Traditional/Recurve Bow (Must have 3 or more participants otherwise it will be combined with Bare Bow for competitions)	One adjustable sight pin or multiple hunting style sight pins may be used; clicker and kisser buttons permitted. Participants may have as many sight pins as deemed necessary. Torque compensators are permitted. 60 lb. maximum draw weight.	String peeps and mechanical release aids. Lenses of any type in sight.

**Due to space constraints at the fairground the archery shoot will adhere to the following guidelines.**

**ARROWS:** Arrows cannot be less than 6 grains of arrow weight per pound of bow weight. There are no point weight restrictions in any class. Field or target points only. No arrows larger than 27/64ths in diameter are permitted. No hunting points.

**BOWS:** Peak bow weight in all classes is 60 pounds.

**TOURNAMENTS:** Archers should arrive early to allow for sign in, to check their bow, and make sure they are in the proper class. Leaders or adults can assist in determining if equipment is illegal in advance, in time to make changes. It is the responsibility of the archer to make sure he/she has a legal bow and is in the proper class.

**3-D Compound Bow Round:** The 3D course is made up of 10 targets/2 arrows per target at varying unmarked distances.

**Recurve and Bare Bow FITA Round:** The FITA course is made up of 10 targets/2 arrows per target at varying unmarked distances.



## **Min-Max Distance**

### **Division    Min-Max Yardage    Stake Color**

**Juniors:    5-20 yards;    Blue Stakes Intermediates: 5-30 yards;  
Red Stakes Seniors:    5-40 yards;    Black Stakes**

Two arrows will be shot at each target. Colored stakes are provided to indicate where an archer should shoot from according to age division. The tournament follows International Bowhunting Organization (IBO) rules which require the archer to touch the stake while shooting.

An arrow shot from the wrong stake will be scored as “0. Scoring is an X and 11pts for the very center vital ring, 10 points for the next ring out from the center vital ring, 8pts for the oblong vital ring, 5 for any other body shot, except hooves and antlers. A clean miss, hooves or antlers is marked as “M” and counts as 0. An arrow touching the line of a greater scoring area is scored at the higher value.

Pass-throughs, robin hoods and bounce-backs can be scored if witnessed and agreed upon by the group. If witnessed but not agreed upon, the archer may reshoot.

An arrow dropped or released accidentally will be scored a zero unless the archer can retrieve it while still touching the stake and reshoot it.

If too many arrows are shot, the highest score(s) are dropped and not counted.

In case of a breakdown the shooter has 45 minutes to repair or replace equipment. Missed targets will be made up at the end of the competition in the presence of tournament officials.

There will be a 5-minute time limit to find lost arrows. Enough arrows must be carried to complete the round.

All disputes shall be taken to the range officer.

Once the card is signed and turned in the score stands unless obvious corrections need to be made by tournament officials.

Tie breakers will be determined by tournament officials.

## **X. ROUND ROBIN**

Grand Champion and Reserve Champion winners of the Showmanship contests are eligible to participate in the Round Robin. The 4-H winner will be determined by his/her ability to show all types of livestock.

### **General rules**

1. All 4-H and FFA members are eligible to exhibit in their project species and can be declared a showman winner in more than one species, however may only show one animal of their own in a Round Robin Event. They must declare which species they will be showing in the Round Robin and that is the species they will begin with.

The 3rd place showman winner of the other species will have the opportunity to show in the

Round Robin in the reserve showman spot, if the reserve showman moves to the Champion spot.

2. Contestants, who agree to show in the round robin show, will provide the animal in which they won with. Any substitutions of animals due to injury or sickness will be made by the species Chairman.
3. If a showman is under the age of 13 years, that person may compete in the Round Robin, knowing he/she will not be eligible at higher-level shows. IE. District/State.
4. Participants of both large animal and small animal Round Robins will consist of an overall Grand Champion and a Reserve Grand Champion showman. Except if one of the participants qualifies in more than one species, then the 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall showman of the species the grand/reserve chooses not to show can show in the Round Robin.
5. All Round Robin participants will have the opportunity for a voluntary practice session provided by the specie superintendent.
6. The Round Robin event will be held in an approved arena with a separate enclosed pen used for the swine.
7. Animals used in the Round Robin will be closely supervised by the species chairman for conditions rendering the animal in a harmful situation. (i.e. heat stress) If any such conditions occur and an animal is required to be exchanged, that specie chairman may make that decision. It should be asked prior to the show that back-up animals be prepared and ready for show.
8. Exhibitors are responsible for knowing the hours of judging and contest. Stock must be ready and in the show ring at the prescribed time.
9. Round Robin Chairman and Co-Chairman will be on a rotational basis, starting with Beef, followed by Dairy, Goat, Horse, Lama, Sheep, and Swine. For small animal, it will rotate between the Small Animal Chairman and the Dog Chairman beginning with the Small Animal Chairman. Unless we have a volunteer chairman
10. A judges meeting will be held just prior to each Round Robin event to go over score card and procedures.
11. Each species chairman will select his or her judge, making every effort to find a non-leader/relative, and notify the Round Robin Chairman one hour prior to the show of judge's name.
12. Showman must show in clothing approved for their species for the duration of the Round Robin.

Large Animal Round Robin will consist of Beef, Dairy, Goat, Horse, Mini Horse, Lama/Alpaca, Sheep, and Swine showmanship winners.

Small Animal Round Robin will consist of Cat, Cavy, Dog, Poultry, Pygmy Goat, and Rabbit showmanship winners.

Both Large and Small Animal Round Robins will follow the following rules:

1. One person will be used in the show as an animal handler to assist in animal rotation.
2. Five minutes will be allotted for the individuals to show each species. A two-minute break will take place for exchange of animals starting with the Horse/Dog working in a clockwise rotation,
3. Judges will score each contestant using the following Rubik:

Showmanship	5 Outstanding	4	3 Meets Standard	2	1 Need Improving	Score
Appearance	Meticulously groomed sharply dressed, well above standard	Well-dressed clean above the standard	Appropriate attire-for qualified species Clean & well groomed	Wrong or poorly presented clothing. Hair in eyes, untidy clothes.	Inappropriate clothing.	
Eye Contact	Consistent eye contact with judge. Active listening and engagement. Discreet at checking project animal.	Maintains appropriate eye contact with judge. Consistent overview of animal.	Maintains eye contact with judge. Appropriate glances at the animal.	Inadequate eye contact with the judge. Lack of or too many glances at animal.	Poor eye contact with judge & animal. Appears distracted or disengaged.	

Confidence & Pose	A truly polished showman. Appears relaxed and attentive. Smooth. Truly secure and perfected in their showmanship skills.	Very strong personal demeanor. Calm, Confident but humble. A polished showman.	Demonstrated strong personal demeanor. Calm, confident but humble. A good showman.	Appears somewhat nervous or insecure. May fidget some. Appears shy or timid. May be over confident.	Lacks confidence, slouches or fidgets excessively. May be shy or timid. May be cocky or over confident.	
Communication	Extremely well spoken. A polished public speaker that is confident, strong, clear and flawless.	Very well spoken. Calm and confident communicator and listener.	Well spoken-clear strong voice. Listens attentively. Uses appropriate terms and vocabulary.	Listens well. Can present ideas. Some limitations and reservations in communicating.	Inexperienced in public speaking. Lacks volume. Minimal use of terms and vocabulary.	
Handling	5 Outstanding	4	3 Meets Standard	2	1 Needs Improving	Score
Control of Animal	Handler is extremely competent and comfortable handling animal. Animal is content, safe, and secure.	Handler is confident, comfortable, and in control of animal. Animal is safe and secure.	Animal under control without excessive force. Animal seems in control and secure.	Less control of animal. Less confident in handling. Animal not secure, content.	Lack of animal control.	

Animal Maneuvering	Animal maneuvering is flawless. Pattern and showing of animal performed correct and complete.	Animal is posed and positioned correctly. Pattern is sharply maneuvered and easily completed.	Animal appropriately posed, positioned and patterns performed correctly.	Some errors in patterns and positioning of animal.	Inadequate pattern and positioning of animal.	
Competence	Extremely knowledgeable about animal anatomy.	Very knowledgeable about animal anatomy	Showman competent in recognizing basic anatomy of animal	Can identify some anatomical parts.	Is unknowledgeable about anatomical parts of animal.	
Confidence in Animal Control	Showman is truly a professional at showing animal.	Showman is clearly confident and capable.	Showman is confident with animal.	Showman is tentative about controlling animal.	Showman is inexperienced and uncomfortable/unsure.	
<b>Knowledge</b>	<b>5</b> Extremely knowledgeable. Full and complete answers. Extremely well spoken with excellent communication skills.	<b>4</b> Complete and descriptive details. Strong communication skills.	<b>3</b> Answers question with adequate details. Communication skills adequate.	<b>2</b> Minimal answer with some accurate details. Communication skills limited either in voice or eye contact.	<b>1</b> Lack of answer or wrong answer. Communication skills lacking in both eye contact and voice.	

Knowledge Area	4-H and Project Questions	Score
Breeds		
Disease/Health		
Anatomy		
4-H/FFA Lore		

4. In the event that two exhibitors have the same combined score, a tie will be broken in this order:
  - a. The scores obtained by the affected individuals will be thrown out in the species they qualified in. If a participant qualified in more than on species the score of the species they started with will be thrown out.
  - b. In the event the above doesn't break the tie then the tied participants will be interviewed by the County Agent or 4-H Program Assistant.
5. The winners will be announced at the 4-H awards ceremony Saturday afternoon.

\*\*\* Grand Champion of the Large and Small Animal Round Robins are eligible to compete at the District II Round Robin at the Western Idaho Fair. Members must be 13 years of age as of January 1, in order to compete at the district level. In the event the Grand Champion cannot go on to District, the Reserve Champion is eligible to go on.\*\*\*

## XI. TOP EXHIBITOR AWARD

The Top Fair Exhibitor Award will be determined by using the showmanship placing from each 4-H project and record book. Scores will be given based on the following:

Overall Grand----- 15 pts  
Overall Reserve----- 13 pts  
Grand----- 10 pts

Reserve----- 8 pts  
Blue ----- 5 pts  
Red ----- 3 pts  
White----- 1 pt.

Members with more than 3 projects will receive an additional 2 points per project over 3 projects.

<b>APPENDIX</b>
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# PORTFOLIO CHECKLIST

In Elmore County, ZSuites Record Books will be presented for evaluation in the green 4-H expandable report covers with fasteners called the Portfolio.

- **Do not write your address on the cover**
- **NO PLASTIC SLEEVES**
- **This Checklist is optional in Portfolio - it is not judged.**

## Portfolio Contents and in the following ORDER

1. **REQUIRED**- ZSuites Involvement Report, which includes:
  - Title page and number of meetings attended
  - 4-H Leadership - Every member is required to have 1 leadership - (leading the pledge, serve on any committee chair or office, teen leader, any activity helping younger members or that involved development of leadership skills counts).
  - 4-H Related Community Service Page- Every member is required to have 1 This must be 4-H community service that is approved through your club.  
Fundraising does not count as a community service unless you are giving the money to another organization.
  - Community Service Outside of 4-H - Optional but must be in Portfolio
  - 4-H Contests, Activities, and Events - Optional but must be in Portfolio
  - 4-H Promotion, Awareness, and Recruitment - Optional but must be in Portfolio
2. **REQUIRED** Total 4-H Experience Story for the current year-*Story is to include all 4-H projects and aspects of 4-H for the current year (4-H camp, Ambassador Training, KYG Conference, Teen Conference, Club Officer, Community Service)*
3. **REQUIRED** Tabbed Divider(s) for each 4-H project labeled with name of 4-H project (placed in front of each record book)
4. **REQUIRED** ZSuites 4-H Project Record Books: 1 record book for each project.  
**Exceptions:**
  - **All market animals of same species in one record book.**
5. . At least 1 project photo is **REQUIRED** in each Project Record Book (see other side for placement of photo page). Even though ZSuites says optional Elmore County **REQUIRES** Photo.
6. . **See page 2** This is a double check of completion of all sections and pages of 4-H record books after everything is assembled in the green folder.
  - **All Members must have all sections and pages in each project record book filled out to be able to show and sell at the Elmore County Fair**

**Market Animal**

**All Other Animals**

**Misc/General Projects**

Front page of record book –all signatures complete	Front page of record book –all signatures complete	Front page of record book –all signatures complete
Project Goals Completed	Animal Information – Permanent Health Record	Project Goals Completed
Record of completed demonstration/presentation	Project Goals Completed	Record of completed demonstration/presentation
Activity Log ( <b>Animal Science Lessons/Activities must be recorded here, and on checklist</b> )	Record of completed demonstration/presentation	Completed Activity Log
Completed expense record- <b>ALL PROJECTS HAVE EXPENSES</b> if items donated, put what actual cost would be	Activity Log ( <b>Animal Science Lessons/Activities must be recorded here and on checklist</b> )	Completed expense record- <b>ALL PROJECTS HAVE EXPENSES</b> if items donated, put what actual cost would be
Completed income record Completed Profit & Loss record	Completed expense record- <b>ALL PROJECTS HAVE EXPENSES</b> if items donated, put what actual cost would be	Completed income record If a section is not applicable write NA, none, or 0
	Completed income record If a section is not applicable write NA, none, or 0	Completed How Did You Do on Goals
Completed Market Animal Health records for all animals	Completed health records for all animals	Project photos- <b>for each project-Min of 1 labeled photo to a max of 2 pages labeled, uploaded in ZSuites</b>
Completed Market Animal Production Summary	Breeding/Production-Completed animal production records for all animals if applicable	Required reports – Reports -Heritage Arts, KYG
Completed How Did You Do on Goals	Completed How Did You Do Goals	Plan of Meetings for Leadership Project
Project photos- <b>for each project-Min of 1 labeled photo to a max of 2 pages labeled, uploaded in ZSuites</b>	Project photos- <b>for each project-Min of 1 labeled photo to a max of 2 pages labeled, uploaded in ZSuites</b>	CCS Book, Other Project Manual or checklist with <b>completed # of activities.</b>
Other Project Manual or Animal Science Lesson checklist with <b>completed # of activities. Only 1 Animal Science checklist is required for multiple projects.</b>	Verification of Vaccines or Health Examination Dogs & Horse	- Optional checklists
<b>Optional-</b> growth charts, weigh in contract, bill of sale	Required check lists Horse-Jumping, Green Horse, Driving	
	Other Project Manual Some do still Require CCS Books and/or Animal Science Lesson checklist with <b>completed # of activities. Only 1 Animal Science checklist is required for multiple projects</b>	



## Idaho 4-H Animal Science Lesson Program Checklist

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate the years (i.e. 2019, 2020, 2021) enrolled in the project below:

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This program incorporates a series of age-appropriate, skill-based objectives to guide and encourage 4-H members in gaining a diverse working knowledge related to the animal industry. These skills are in addition to the basic Idaho 4-H project requirements listed below:

- Choose your project animal(s)
- Individually identify each animal (ear tag, etc.)
- Complete project record & involvement report
- Exhibit project animal(s) in quality/showmanship
- Complete Permanent Individual Animal Record – one/animal (breeding only)
- Provide positive proof of ownership based of required days
- Weigh & give primary care during county feed period (market only)
- Give oral presentation related to this project
- Complete any other County-based requirements

All individuals (regardless of age) should begin with Level 1. Youth must complete at least 5 skills/year; at least one of these must be a Quality Assurance [QA] noted activity. The lesson title from where the skill will be learned is in **Bold letters**. A minimum of 15 different skills should be completed before advancing to the next level. Older youth just entering the (species) project are encouraged to move through Levels 1 and 2 at an accelerated rate to enhance their overall 4-H career learning experience. **{Note: Submit this updated checklist annually with your animal project record book.}**

LEVEL 1 SKILLS		Completed (mm/dd/yy)	Leader's Initials
	Describe the reason to provide livestock bedding for your animal <b>Environment: Caring for My Animal</b>		
	Describe the basic facilities (housing, pen space & equipment) needed to safely raise your project animal(s) <b>Housing My Animal</b>		
	Demonstrate how knowing the flight zone of an animal can help you be safe when working with an animal <b>Safe Animal Handling</b>		
	Describe how temperature and air flow can affect the performance and health of an animal <b>Temperature &amp; Ventilation in the Barn</b>		
	Develop a basic (species) project plan (including income, expenses and facilities) <b>What's Your Plan</b>		
	Identify at least 5 breeds within your project species <b>Common Livestock Breeds and Characteristics</b>		
	Identify at least 20 parts of the animal within your project species <b>Evaluation</b>		
	Estimate what the market weight or frame size of your animal should be by the county fair <b>Frame Size and Market-Ready weights</b>		
	Describe the importance of raising a structurally correct animal <b>Structural Conformation</b>		
	Describe the following animal selection traits: muscling, trimness, growth & frame, structure & balance and why they are important - <b>Common Breeds and Characteristics or Evaluation</b>		
	Define why reproduction is important in raising livestock <b>Introduction to Reproduction</b>		
	List 5 basic classifications of nutrients <b>Five Basic Nutrients</b>		
	Describe Average Daily Gain <b>Average Daily Gain</b>		
	Explain why it is important to have a fresh, clean source of water <b>Basic Nutritional Requirements - Ruminant</b>		
	Explain the difference between a roughage, concentrate and supplement <b>Basic Nutritional Requirements - Ruminant</b>		
	Explain the purpose of a feed label <b>Feed Labels</b>		
	Define a monogastric animal <b>Monogastric Nutrition</b>		





	<b>LEVEL 1 SKILLS (continued)</b>	<b>Completed (mm/dd/yy)</b>	<b>Leader's Initials</b>
	List the two types of digestive systems found in most domestic farm animals <b>Basic Nutritional Requirements – Ruminant and Monogastric Nutrition</b>		
	Describe at least 5 symptoms/behaviors of a healthy animal <b>What Does a Healthy Animal Look Like?</b>		
	Describe where injections should be given on your animal <b>Injection Sites and Techniques</b>		
	List three things you can learn from a medication label <b>Reading Medication Labels</b>		
	List 3 things you can do to prevent your animal from getting diseases <b>Preventable Practices</b>		
	Tell why recordkeeping is important in disease prevention <b>Animal Record Keeping for Disease Prevention</b>		
	Explain how a veterinarian can help you keep your animal healthy <b>Veterinary Client Relationships</b>		
	Prepare a list of livestock equipment & supplies needed at a Fair <b>Equipment</b>		
	Describe what you will need to do to be ready to show your animal <b>Getting Ready for the Show</b>		
	Make a list of products that can be used to groom your animal <b>Grooming Beef</b>		
	List some of the steps to halter break or gentle your animal <b>Halter Breaking and Gentling</b>		
	Watch a Showmanship video and demonstrate proper showmanship techniques <b>Showmanship</b>		
	Make a list of animal science related careers <b>Career Exploration</b>		
	Describe how to properly care for your animal at the fair <b>Connecting with the Public through a Positive Image</b>		
	Explain the importance of knowing where food comes from <b>Where Our Food Comes From</b>		
	Prepare a thank you card to be used to thank a sponsor <b>Thank You Letters</b>		
	Discuss why you need to know how much it costs to raises an animal in 4-H <b>Making a Plan – Costs to Raise Market Animals</b>		
(QA)	Describe an animal by-product <b>Animal By-Products</b>		
(QA)	Describe 2 things you can do to properly handle your animal <b>Animal Welfare – Handling</b>		
(QA)	Describe Biosecurity <b>Biosecurity</b>		
(QA)	Conduct a safety evaluation of your livestock facilities; report any changes needed/made to promote animal well-being - <b>Biosecurity</b>		
[QA]	Explain good character and ethics <b>Ethics: Pillars of Character</b>		
(QA)	Define sportsmanship have to do with raising and showing livestock <b>Ethics: Sportsmanship</b>		
(QA)	Tell the difference between wholesale and retail cuts of meat <b>Recognizing Wholesale and Retail Cuts</b>		
(QA)	Describe what Quality Assurance means to you <b>What is Quality Assurance?</b>		



LEVEL 2 SKILLS		Completed (mm/dd/yy)	Leader's Initials
	Explain impact of temperature extremes (hot & cold), wind and humidity on livestock performance <b>Environment: Caring for My Animal</b>		
	Identify at least 3 problems created by insufficient air circulation within livestock facilities. <b>Temperature and Ventilation (Air Flow) in the Barn</b>		
	Explain the impact frame size can have on the final weight of your animal <b>Frame Size and Market Ready Weights</b>		
	List 5 things to consider when selecting a project animal <b>Project Animal Selection</b>		
	Tell the importance of skeletal structure in animal selection <b>Skeletal Structure</b>		
	Evaluate, rank and give reasons on a class of four animals <b>Livestock Judging, Note Taking and Oral Reasons</b>		
	Participate in a Livestock Judging activity or contest <b>Livestock Judging, Note Taking and Oral Reasons</b>		
	List 3 major parts of the male reproductive system <b>Parts of Reproductive Systems</b>		
	Describe the difference between a dominant and recessive gene <b>Genetics</b>		
	Define the following terms: purebred, crossbred, heredity <b>Purebred vs. Crossbred</b>		
	Explain what a crossbreeding program is and why would it be used <b>Purebred vs. Crossbred</b>		
	Identify heat detection methods used for your species of animal <b>Heat Detection</b>		
	Describe when the breeding season should be for the species of animal you are raising <b>When will My Livestock Project Animal Be Born?</b>		
	Describe the different nutritional needs of a monogastric and a ruminant animal <b>Basic Nutritional Requirements – Ruminant and Monogastric Nutrition</b>		
	List at least 7 pieces of information found on a feed tag <b>Feed Labels</b>		
	Describe the difference between a “caution” and “warning” on a feed tag <b>Feed Labels</b>		
	Demonstrate how to calculate average daily gain <b>Average Daily Gain</b>		
	Describe why a ruminant animal can breakdown and utilize more complex feeds <b>Digestive Systems</b>		
	Describe a valid Veterinary-Client-Patient relationship <b>Veterinary Client Relationships</b>		
	List 6 things you can that would help to keep your animal healthy <b>Preventable Practices</b>		
	Explain the difference between a vaccination and a medication <b>Injection Sites and Techniques</b>		
	List at least 3 external parasites common to your animal and describe how to treat for them <b>External Parasites</b>		
	Describe castration, dehorning and docking <b>Castration, Dehorning and Docking</b>		
	Describe the reproductive difference in a castrated male <b>Castration, Dehorning and Docking</b>		
	Define medication withdrawal time and describe why it is important to follow medication withdrawal times – <b>Reading Medication Labels</b>		
	Demonstrate proper grooming and showmanship techniques for younger members in your group <b>From Showing Level 1 Lessons</b>		
	Describe where our food comes from to a friend or an adult <b>Where Our Food Comes From</b>		
	Describe or give a demonstration on an agriculture career you are interested in <b>Career Exploration</b>		

	<b>LEVEL 2 SKILLS (continued)</b>	<b>Completed (mm/dd/yy)</b>	<b>Leader's Initials</b>
	Demonstrate how to invite buyers to the market animal sale <b>Inviting Buyers to the Market Animal Sale</b>		
	Describe the animal identification options for your species <b>Animal Identification</b>		
	Describe the difference between a bill of sale, receipt and brand inspection <b>Livestock Ownership Records</b>		
(QA)	Describe the term "flight zone" and how you can determine your animal's point of balance <b>Animal Welfare - Moving</b>		
(QA)	List the applicable USDA Quality Grades or USDA Grades for your species <b>Ideal Market Animal</b>		
(QA)	Describe the industry standards for your species of animal <b>Ideal Market Animal</b>		
(QA)	List 10 examples of by-products derived from your species of animal <b>Animal By-products</b>		
(QA)	Describe 5 carcass terms that relate to your animal project <b>Carcass Terminology</b>		
(QA)	Create a Biosecurity plan for your livestock project <b>Biosecurity</b>		
(QA)	Name the six pillars of characters <b>Pillars of Character</b>		
[QA]	Describe unethical behavior and why it's not acceptable in 4-H <b>Consequences of Unethical Behavior</b>		

	<b>LEVEL 3 SKILLS</b>	<b>Completed (mm/dd/yy)</b>	<b>Leader's Initials</b>
	Explain why structural soundness is critical in both breeding and market animals; list 5 common structural defects within your species – <b>Structural Conformation</b>		
	Explain the roles of estrogen, FSH, LH and progesterone in male & female reproductive physiology <b>Hormones</b>		
	Define heritability and how it is used in breeding management decisions <b>Expected Progeny Differences (EPD's)</b>		
	Identify the parts of the female reproductive tract for the species you are raising <b>Parts of the Reproductive System</b>		
	Describe the impact using artificial insemination could have in a livestock operation <b>Artificial Insemination</b>		
	Describe why a producer would want to use embryo transfer in their herd or flock <b>Embryo Transfer</b>		
	Describe difference between fat-soluble and water-soluble vitamins; list the 4 fat-soluble vitamins <b>5 Basic Nutrients</b>		
	Name in order the four compartments within the ruminant stomach; explain how roughages are broken down within that system – <b>Digestive Systems</b>		
	Describe the role body condition scores play in animal production <b>Body Condition Scores</b>		
	Determine how much it will cost to feed your project animal <b>Nutrition Budgets</b>		
	Name at least 8 items that should be listed on an animal treatment record <b>Animal Recordkeeping for Disease Prevention</b>		
	Describe the impacts that parasites can have on animal production <b>Internal Parasites</b>		
	Track weekly market prices for US No 1 hogs, choice lambs or choice/yield grade 3 steers. Plot this information on a graph.		
	Create a YouTube video to promote your animal project for sale <b>Inviting Buyers to the Market Animal Sale</b>		
	Give a marketing/sales presentation (including buyer recruitment, appropriate thank you notes, etc.) at a club/project meeting		



	<b>LEVEL 3 SKILLS (continued)</b>	<b>Completed (mm/dd/yy)</b>	<b>Leader's Initials</b>
	Prepare/give a 7-10 minute presentation on nutrition at your club or group meeting		
	Prepare/give a 7-10 minute presentation on health care at your club or group meeting		
	Prepare/give a 7-10 minute presentation on genetics at your club or group meeting		
	Prepare/give a 7-10 minute presentation on related career opportunities at your club or group meeting		
	Prepare/give a 7-10 minute presentation on reproduction at your club or group meeting		
(QA)	Describe the steps you would take to safely haul your animal project <b>Animal Welfare - Hauling</b>		
(QA)	Determine ribeye area or loin eye area and fat thickness using a picture of the meat or the actual meat cut. Share the results with your club – <b>Carcass Measurements</b>		
(QA)	Explain how the USDA Quality and/or Yield Grades for your species are determined. <b>Quality and Yield Grade</b>		
(QA)	Identify 4 examples of unethical behavior; explain why each is wrong and what you think the consequences should be for someone doing that – <b>Consequences of Unethical Behavior</b>		
(QA)	Prepare/give a 7-10 minutes presentation on wholesale cuts of meat for your project animal species		
[QA]	Prepare/give a 7-10 minute presentation on meat quality at your club or group meeting		
[QA]	Prepare/give a 7-10 minute presentation on quality assurance practices at your club or group meeting		
(QA)	Prepare/give a 7-10 minute presentation on ethics education at your club or group meeting		



## Verification of Vaccinations or Health Examination For 4-H Dogs

\_\_\_\_\_ (Animal's Name)

(Species) \_\_\_\_\_ has received required vaccinations or health examination

On \_\_\_\_\_.

**Dogs are required to have at least a rabies vaccination.**

**I verify the above animal has been vaccinated or health examined as stated above and have attached receipts/ bottle labels below for vaccinations or health certificate for health examination.**

Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Leader Signature \_\_\_\_\_