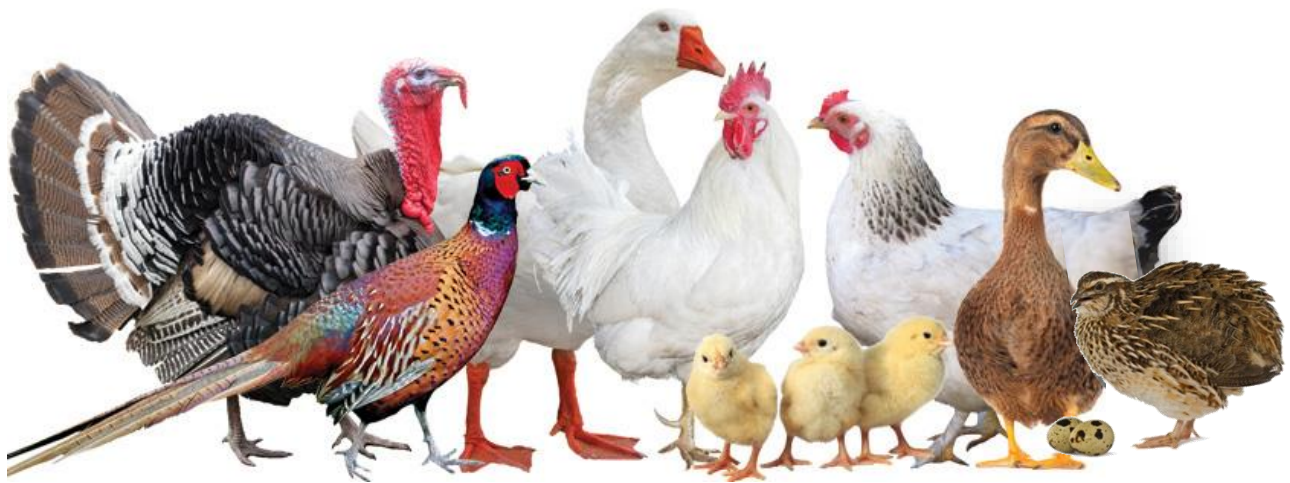




Martin County 4-H

# Poultry Record Book

OR  Game Bird  Waterfowl



Exhibitor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_



## PHILOSOPHY AND GOALS OF THE 4-H LIVESTOCK PROGRAM

*“The purpose of the 4-H Livestock Program is to provide young people an opportunity to participate in a series of activities designed to improve citizenship, sportsmanship, character, competitive spirit, discipline, responsibility and livestock knowledge, while creating an atmosphere of personal development and awareness of life around us.”*

The goals and implications of the above statement is life changing. Leadership does not anticipate that youth would progress at the same rate in all these objectives. However, given the proper motivation and guidance by the leaders, parents and 4-H agent, there will be progressive improvements in the youth’s development. Simply having a youth recognize the opportunity for growth and personal potential is a significant accomplishment.

Most 4-H youth participating in a livestock project will already have an interest in the animal. It is leadership’s responsibility to utilize this interest to accomplish the livestock project’s objectives through training and guidance.

The purpose of the Market Project is to acquire knowledge in market animal production through the purchase, care, record keeping and preparation for sale. The youth must learn the skills to identify the types and grades of market animals. They must employ efficient methods of marketing; understand the business aspects and economics of market production through the purchase of the animal, feed, maintenance of housing facilities and veterinary care.

The purpose of all livestock projects, both market and non-market, is to further the education and development of the child.

There are more than 360 projects in 4-H, and all have the common goals of making better citizens of youth, increasing their knowledge in a subject area, enabling them to develop integrity, sportsmanship, and cooperation along with leadership abilities. It is the goal of the 4-H Youth Development program to inspire youth to explore all their areas of interest.

*This record book may also be used by FFA Youth in exhibiting their livestock project. It is the FFA advisor’s responsibility to assist the youth to accomplish the livestock project’s objectives.*

*It also should be noted that the Livestock Show and Sale is not the major objective of this program but only the project’s conclusion. It must be understood that our first and most important objective in the 4-H program is the education and development of the child.*

# Completing your Record Book

## Cover Page

Please fill out all information on the provided cover page. Be sure to affix a picture of yourself and/or project.

## 4-H Report

Please complete the included 4-H Report Form. Take some time to think back over the past year's 4-H activities and put some thought into your answers. Be as specific and thorough as possible in completing this form.

## 4-H Story

Your 4-H Story is your chance to tell in your own words about your involvement in your 4-H club. It should not only be an account of your club's activities, but also your specific involvement in those activities. For instance, if your club held a car wash fund-raiser, be sure to list that activity, but also the Judge will want to know if you helped buy supplies, collect money, secure the location, held signs, soaked the 4-H Leader or parents, etc. (how did you assist in helping?). If you held any club offices and describe any duties, you had to fulfill for that position. If you traveled to any out-of-county events and what you did at them. If you went to any summer camps or anything fun! Talk about your demonstration, any awards won, and your end-of-the-year trip your club went on. Be sure to include what you have learned – about life, yourself and others.

## Animal Project Agreement

This form is to be completed, signed, and dated at the **START** of the project by the Exhibitor, parent/guardian, and the Club Leader.

## Project Story

Tell your project story through your own words. It should cover why you selected that animal and where you purchased your animal. You should also describe daily care, feed, and exercise regimen. It should also list any problems you had with your project. For example, if there is a drop in weight for a certain month and a list of medicine bought during that same time, you should explain why the animal was sick and what you did to get the animal well. Finally, be sure to talk about what you have learned from your project animal. Remember to keep it in a story format.

## Pictures

Your pictures section should show the growth of your project from start to finish. There should be at least 5 pictures, but not more than three front and back pages (6 pages). Pictures should contain a date and caption, and they should be in chronological order.

## Project Record Book

This record book should record entries of all expenses incurred during the project (if you bought anything for your project this is where you would put it). Physical receipts may be placed in an envelope and included in the project book. The project book itself is self-explanatory, but please follow the instructions. If you have any questions, ask your 4-H Leader for their help.

## Completion Certificate

The statements on this page should be read, signed, and dated by the Exhibitor and the Club Leader.

## Report Card

Report cards are due into the fair office by a certain date in January. A copy may be included in your record book. Failure to turn in appropriate paperwork, on designated days will result in deductions and/or disqualification.

## Record Book Judging

Remember, your record book needs to be up to date on the day your animal enters the fair. After the final weigh-in, record your animal's weight in your record book. Auction sale prices are recorded after the sale.

**RECORD BOOKS ARE DUE UPON YOUR ANIMAL ENTRY TO THE FAIR.**

*If you have any questions, please ask your 4-H Club Leader for answers and help!*

## **REQUIREMENTS OF YOUR LIVESTOCK PROJECT:**

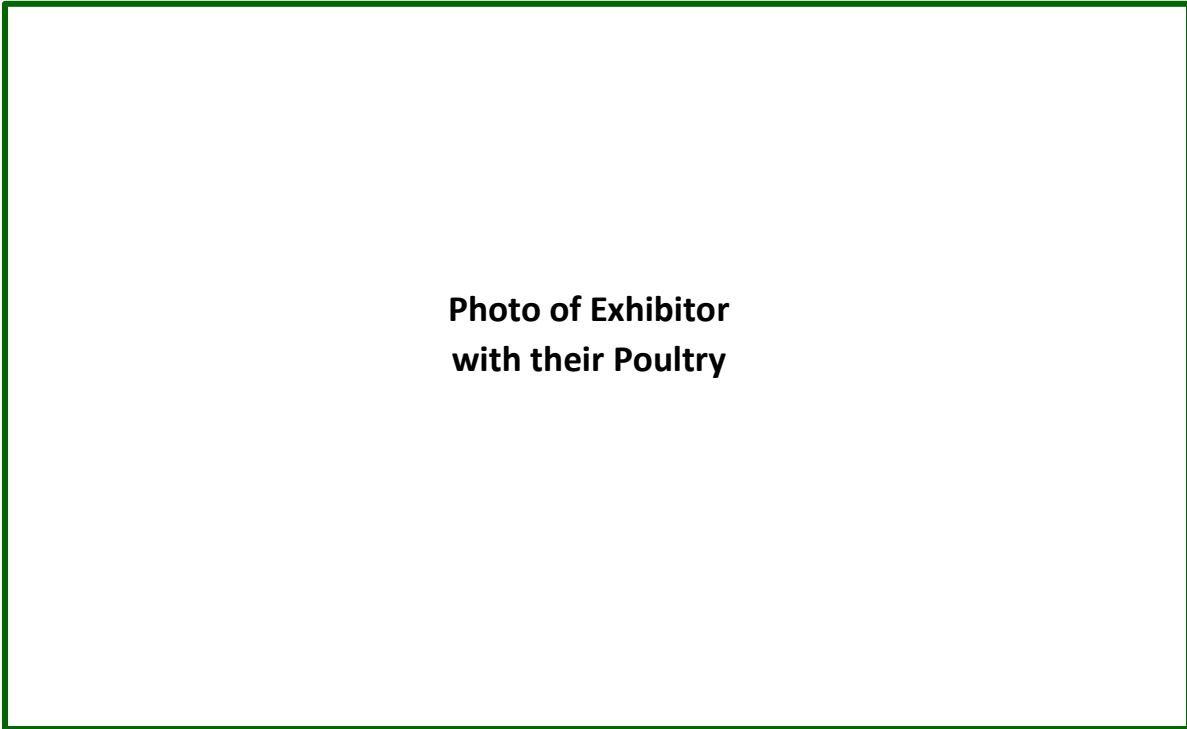
### **Club Requirements:**

- Maintain records throughout the project and complete your Record Book
- Complete two Workshop Trainings – *Ethics Training is required every 3 years*
- Complete at least four (4) hours of Community Service
- Attend at least two-thirds of your Club meetings
- Be in Good Standing as a 4-H Club Member
- Help with any events or fundraisers with your Club
- Any additional activities set forth by the Club Leader (*ex. Participate in County Events*)

### **Fair Livestock Exhibitor Requirements:**

- Maintain active Ethics Certification Status
- Meet all required deadlines
- Submit a copy of your Report Card to fair office
- Attend Mandatory Fair Set-Up Workday and Tear-Down Workday
- Attend Mandatory Exhibitors' Meeting
- Must work 'Barn Duty' on the specified day
- Must participate in the Livestock Show
- Commit to the Showmanship Event once you sign-up
- Write 'Thank You' notes to Buyer and Sponsors who contributed to your project

# Poultry Project Book



Ethics Certificate # \_\_\_\_\_

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Club Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Or FFA Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years in 4-H/FFA \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a:  Cloverbud (5-7)  Junior I (8-10)  Intermediate (11-13)  Senior (14-18) as of 9/1.

Parent Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# 4-H Poultry Book

## Introduction

This Project Record Book has been created specifically for 4-H members enrolled in a Poultry 4-H project. Keeping a record book is an important part of the project. It will help you set goals for the project year, record your accomplishments, and provide a place to keep important records on your Poultry.

## Purpose of a 4-H Animal Science Project

The purpose of a 4-H Poultry animal science project is to achieve the following:

- To acquire an understanding of the animal industry by preparing for, purchasing, caring for, and keeping records on one or more head of animals.
- To be able to identify the types and breeds of animals and employ efficient methods of production and marketing.
- To understand the business aspects and economics of purchasing animals, feed, facilities, and equipment for an animal science project.
- To develop integrity, sportsmanship, and cooperation.
- To develop leadership abilities, build character, and become responsible citizens.

## Why complete a record book?

A record book is not meant to be a chore. Instead, it is a way for you to learn about your project, as well as other valuable skills such as setting goals, collecting information, evaluating information, tracking costs and expenses, organization, and others.

**SUGGESTION:** A practice book may be kept during the duration of the project with a final book turned in at your animal's entry to the fair.

# Youth Animal Project Agreement

Form signed at the beginning of the project.

The Exhibitor is responsible for caring for the animal, which will include feeding, providing fresh clean water, providing suitable housing, healthcare, grooming, and showing. The Exhibitor will use this project as an educational tool to learn skills needed in the livestock industry. The project will also help the Exhibitor to accept success and failure as a learning experience. The Exhibitor will keep accurate records on the animal.

I accept and understand these responsibilities

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Exhibitor's Signature

Date

The parents are responsible for providing financial help if needed, along with assistance and encouragement while the Exhibitor is raising the animal.

We accept and understand these responsibilities.

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Parent(s)/Legal Guardian Signature

Date

The 4-H Leader is responsible for visiting the Exhibitor and the animal to give assistance when needed.

I accept and understand these responsibilities.

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4-H Leader Signature

Date

**This is my \_\_\_\_\_ year doing a 4-H Poultry Project**

**My Project Goals for the Year:**

At the start of your project state at least three goals you strive to accomplish and learning opportunities.

*(Ex. Learn how to do Showmanship, create a presentation, etc.)*

Discuss these goals with your parents and your club leader for needed support and resources.

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Summary of Accomplishments – When Record Book is Due**

What goals have you accomplished? If you have not accomplished one or more of your goals, please explain. What have you learned? Describe your experiences this year. (Attach an additional page if needed.)

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\_\_\_\_\_

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

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



**Animal Care and Management**

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

Include the following:

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

Daily:

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Weekly:

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Monthly:

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Yearly: Occasional activities in the year

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## Poultry Inventory Record

### Beginning Inventory

Stock	Number/Amount	Total Value
Hens		
Pullets		
Males for Breeding		
Birds for Meat (broilers)		
Chicks under 8 weeks old		
Total (Stock)		A. _____

### Closing Inventory

Stock	Number /Amount	Total Value
Hens		
Pullets		
Males for Breeding		
Birds for Meat (broilers)		
Chicks under 8 weeks old		
Total (Stock)		B. _____

### Chick Inventory – Incubated, Day-old, Pullets

This includes any breeding information. Fill in all applicable information.

If you did not breed your animals, make note with N/A.

Date	Breed – Roosters, Hens	Hatch/Receipt Date	Number	Cost if Sold

**HEALTH RECORDS**

This includes any health-related activities and well animal care, such as health certificate. Fill in all applicable information. If your animal was healthy throughout the project, make note of that.

Date	Description	Breed – Rooster/Hen	Treatment	Cost

**DEATH RECORDS – If Applicable**

This includes any poultry loss. Fill in all applicable information. If you did not lose any animals to death, make note with N/A.

Date	Breed – Roosters, Hens	Reason	Age	Value

**OPENING INVENTORY/ASSETS**

List all equipment (assets) you had at the beginning of your project. Start with the earliest purchased items (by date), listing this year’s purchases last. List only items you will keep after project end.  
 Do not list expendable items: shampoo, etc.

<b>Item Description</b> <i>Example: 4th Year Project</i>	<b>Project Year Acquired</b>	<b>Purchase Cost Or Value</b> A	<b>Value</b> <i>(Depreciate prior years)</i> <b>at Project Start</b> B	<b>Depreciation</b> <i>(10% of the Purchase cost deducted per Calendar Year)</i> C	<b>Value</b> <i>(B minus C)</i> <b>at Project End</b> D
<i>Brush</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>10.00</i>	<i>10.00</i>	<i>1.00</i>	<i>9.00</i>
<b>Total Depreciation</b>					
<b>Value of Project Assets</b>					

**INCOME – Sponsors, donations, premiums, add-ons, bird, and egg sales**

List any income from your project including any pre-show income received. ADD premiums after show day.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Description of Income</b>	<b>Total</b>

**Total Income**     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Daily Egg Record** – *If applicable. If not applicable, mark as N/A.*

Date	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.
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29												
30												
31												
Total Eggs												
Total Birds												
Average # Eggs Per Bird												





## Questionnaire

Fill-in to complete the record book.

Check the following that apply to your project –

Was your poultry project bothered by any of the following? *(Check all that apply)*

Coccidiosis

Pullet Disease

Fleas

Fowl Pox

Colds

Mites

Newcastle

Ticks

Other:

Bronchitis

Worms

\_\_\_\_\_

Leucosis

Lice

\_\_\_\_\_

Did you market your eggs wholesale or retail?

\_\_\_\_\_

Did you market meat and/or broilers wholesale or retail? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Did you hatch any new batches of chicks? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What percent of your project was done by yourself? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan on having a poultry project next year? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

If so, how many birds do you plan on having? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Did you keep accurate records daily? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you think your poultry project was: fair, good, excellent? Why? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



## Project Financial Summary

One goal of the poultry project is to teach budgeting, marketing and money management skills. The following chart will help you evaluate the financial status of your projects.

<b>INCOME</b>	
1. Miscellaneous Income: <i>eggs, stock, etc.</i>	
2. Show Premiums	
<b>Total Income</b> (Add lines 1-3)	<b>+ \$</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
1. Purchased Animals – Poultry, waterfowl, game birds	
2. Equipment Expenses	
3. Feed Expenses	
4. Health Expenses	
5. Miscellaneous Expenses	
6. Show Entry Fees	
<b>Total Expenses</b> (Add lines 1-6)	<b>- \$</b>
<b>Profit or Loss</b> ( <i>Circle One</i> )	<b>+ OR - \$</b>

Was the cost of keeping your project what you expected? \_\_\_\_\_

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What would you maybe do differently next year? \_\_\_\_\_

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## PROJECT PICTURES

Your pictures should show the growth of your project from start to finish.

- ✓ A minimum of four (4) pictures, maximum of eight (8), with no more than two (2) per page.
- ✓ Each picture needs to have a date in chronological order with captions demonstrating project skills.

**PROJECT PICTURES** - continued

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## Your 4-H Participation

Were you a club officer this year? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what position did you hold? \_\_\_\_\_

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If you have been an officer before, list the offices you have held as well. \_\_\_\_\_

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What 4-H activities other than club meetings have you participated in this year? *Example: clinics, field trips, judging teams, 4-H Council, state and regional 4-H events.*

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Did you give a demonstration to your club this year? If yes, what was the title? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Did you participate in County Events? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what category did you participate in, and what was your demonstration/speech about? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

List any awards or recognition you have received in 4-H this past year. \_\_\_\_\_

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What did you do to help your club's 4-H Leader, or other 4-H members? \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe how you helped with your club's community service project. \_\_\_\_\_

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List, by most recent, other 4-H Projects have you completed before this year?

Year/Project: \_\_\_\_\_

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Year/Project: \_\_\_\_\_



# Project Completion Certificate

I hereby certify that as the Exhibitor of this project, I have personally kept records on this project and have personally completed this record book.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Exhibitor's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

This Exhibitor is an active member of \_\_\_\_\_ Club,  
is a member in good standing and has met the requirements needed for this project.

\_\_\_\_\_  
4-H Leader/Advisor Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



To Make the Best Better



**4-H Life Skills:** Put a check mark ✓ by the life skills you learned or improved. Write a brief comment.

### HEAD ... to Clearer Thinking

#### Thinking

- Learning to Learn \_\_\_\_\_
- Decision Making \_\_\_\_\_
- Problem Solving \_\_\_\_\_
- Critical Thinking \_\_\_\_\_
- Service Learning \_\_\_\_\_

#### Managing

- Goal Setting \_\_\_\_\_
- Planning/Organizing \_\_\_\_\_
- Wise Use of Resources \_\_\_\_\_
- Keeping Records \_\_\_\_\_
- Resiliency \_\_\_\_\_

### HEART ... to Greater Loyalty

#### Relating

- Communications \_\_\_\_\_
- Cooperation \_\_\_\_\_
- Social Skills \_\_\_\_\_
- Conflict Resolution \_\_\_\_\_
- Accepting Differences \_\_\_\_\_

#### Caring

- Concern for Others \_\_\_\_\_
- Empathy \_\_\_\_\_
- Sharing \_\_\_\_\_
- Nurturing Relationships \_\_\_\_\_

### HANDS ... to Larger Service

#### Giving

- Community Service/Volunteering \_\_\_\_\_
- Leadership \_\_\_\_\_
- Responsible Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_
- Contribution to Group Effort \_\_\_\_\_

#### Working

- Marketable/Useful Skills \_\_\_\_\_
- Teamwork \_\_\_\_\_
- Self-Motivation \_\_\_\_\_

### HEALTH ... to Better Living

#### Living

- Healthy Lifestyle Choices \_\_\_\_\_
- Stress Management \_\_\_\_\_
- Disease Prevention \_\_\_\_\_
- Personal Safety \_\_\_\_\_

#### Being

- Self Esteem \_\_\_\_\_
- Self-Responsibility \_\_\_\_\_
- Character \_\_\_\_\_
- Managing Feelings \_\_\_\_\_
- Self-Discipline \_\_\_\_\_





# Record Book Score Sheet – Poultry (Gamebird, Waterfowl, etc. Please Specify)

Exhibitor: \_\_\_\_\_ Project: \_\_\_\_\_

Check age level:     Cloverbud (5-7)     Junior (8-10)     Intermediate (11-13)     Senior (14-18)

SECTION	POINTS POSSIBLE	POINTS SCORED
1. Signed Forms <i>(pages 7, 8, 23)</i>	5	
2. Goals / Participation / Achievements <i>(pages 8, 22)</i>	10	
3. Animal Care & Management <i>(page 9)</i>	10	
4. Project Inventory <i>(pages 10)</i>	5	
5. Health Record <i>(page 11)</i>	5	
6. Non-Feed / Start-up Expenses <i>(page 12)</i>	5	
7. Assets / Income <i>(page 12)</i>	5	
8. Feed Expenses <i>(page 13)</i>	10	
9. Financials <i>(page 13)</i>	10	
10. Project Pictures <i>(pages 16-19)</i>	10	
11. Project Story <i>(pages 20-21)</i>	10	
12. Receipts / Educational Research	5	
13. Neatness	5	
14. Completeness	5	
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>	<b>100</b>	

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Record Book Awards** - Blue: 90-100, Red: 80-89, White: 70-79 and Certificates for all exhibitors completing a record book. A Best Record Book Award is considered to one exhibitor per category and age group from books graded as 100 plus. Special awards to other exhibitors, including Cloverbuds, as warranted to recognize excellence.



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