University of Vermont Extension
4-H Goat Project Record

Name:

Club Name: ________________________________

Number of years in this project: ____________

Circle type of project: Club Independent

Leader(s)/Mentor(s) Name(s): ________________

Member Signature: _________________________ Date: ______

Leader/Mentor Signature: _________________ Date: ______

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Why keep a Goat Record?

You will be able to set and record reachable goals for yourself.

Keeping records will help you remember the fun you had.

Record keeping is a great way to develop your skills and organize your time.

The information in your record will give you a chance to look back on your year and help you decide what you want to change for next year.

Your record will be a way to share your project with others.

Record Book Instructions

Keep your record book up to date. (It makes record keeping easier).

Read through this record book before you start recording information.

If you have questions, ask for help from other members, your parents, leaders or 4-H staff.

Be creative; make the record book interesting and add your own personal touch.

Each animal that you are showing needs a complete set of records. Add pages as you need them.

This record book may be adapted for one or more animals in your goat project.

Included on some pages are life skills that can be more fully developed.
Project Goals (at start of project)

State at least three goals at the beginning of your 4-H project year. Tell the things you want to learn from you 4-H goat project. Please discuss these goals with your leader.

1. __________________________________________________________

2. __________________________________________________________

3. __________________________________________________________

Member signature____________________________________________

Leader signature____________________________________________

Summary of accomplishments (when record book is done).

What goals have you accomplished? If you have not accomplished one or more goals, please explain. What have you learned? Tell of your experiences this year?

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Breed __________________________ Date of Birth ________________

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Life Skill – Record Keeping
Animal name____________________

**Health and Management Record:** List dates action taken.

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- **Rabies**
  - March 30

Veterinarian Name________________________ Phone____________________

**Record of Fairs and Shows**

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*Life Skills – Planning and Organizing*
Feed and Bedding Expenses

Name of animal ___________________________________________ Year __________

Age of animal (months) ______________ at start of project.

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*Life Skills – Critical Thinking, Problem Solving*
Project Goat Inventory

*Use the abbreviations D for doe, B for buck and W for wether.*

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<th>Goat name or #</th>
<th>Registration Number</th>
<th>Breed</th>
<th>Birth date/age</th>
<th>Date of Purchase</th>
<th>How animal left herd/date</th>
<th>sex</th>
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**Kidding Record (use if applicable)**

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<th># of kids</th>
<th>Sex</th>
<th>Name of Kid(s)</th>
<th>Sire of kid(s)</th>
<th>Birth Weight</th>
<th>Disposition (sold or add to herd)</th>
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Expenses

This section is where you can keep track of what you purchased this year. Include equipment and feed used for your project and what each cost. You may add more of these pages if necessary.

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Animal Care & Management*

Because your project is a living creature, it requires care and management. Here is the place to explain what you regularly do for or with your animal on a daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly basis. Be as specific as possible.

Do not forget to list the following:

- Feeding and watering practices
- Grooming (clipping, trimming hooves, check health
- Cleaning pens, food and water containers
- Manure removal
- Checking and repairing as needed: fencing, pens, barns, etc.

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*From the New Jersey 4-H Goat Project Record Book*
**Milk Production Records** (use for dairy goats)*

Doe’s Name ___________________________ Registration number __________________
Breed __________________ Date of Birth ____________ Kidding Date ____________

Weigh the amount of milk produced by your doe a few times each month in order to estimate the average pounds of milk produced per day. Then multiply by the number of days in the month to get a total number of pounds produced that month.

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**Yearly Total Milk Produced** (add total milk produced for each month and put it in the box at the right)

Total Value of Milk Produced for the Year

Yearly Total Produced _______ lbs x $ _______ value/lb = $

*From the New Jersey 4-H Goat Project Record Book*
**Fiber Records** (use for fiber goats)*

Record the fiber weight and income (if fiber is sold) for each project to assist with determining its health status and monitor how age and management of the goat affects the quality of the fiber.

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*Total income from fiber*(add the income and put this in the box at right)

*From the New Jersey 4-H Goat Project Record Book*
My Goat Project Story
After reviewing your goals and thinking about the things you learned this year, write a story about your 4-H goat project that explains what you gained this past year in 4-H. Whenever possible, include specifics about what you did, what you learned, challenges you met, successes you had and fun time you enjoyed. Think about what you gained in knowledge and skills and how it relates to school, family, and other activities in your life. Write in complete sentences and have someone check your spelling. Use as many pages as you need to tell your story.
**End of year signatures**

By signing below, I am stating that I have completed this record book myself and, to the best of my knowledge, the information included in it is correct.

__________________________  ____________________
Member signature  

Date

By signing below, I am stating that I am familiar with this work and, to the best of my knowledge, the member completed this record book and the information included in it is correct.

__________________________  ____________________
Parent signature  

Date

__________________________  ____________________
4-H Club Leader  

Date

**Important Telephone Numbers**

Veterinarian name__________________________  Phone__________________________

Emergency Phone Number(s): ____________________________

Leader Name__________________________  Phone__________________________

Leader Name__________________________  Phone__________________________

4-H Educator__________________________  Phone__________________________

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**4-H Motto**  **To Make the Best Better**  **4-H Slogan**  **Learning By Doing**

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**4-H Colors**  **Green and White**

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**4-H Pledge**  I pledge my head to clearer thinking,

My Heart to greater loyalty,

My hands to larger service,

And my health to better living,

For my club, my community,

My country and my world.