

Virginia 4-H Sheep Flock Project





# Senior Record Book

(for youth ages 14-19)

Name	Date of Birth	Age
Physical Address		
Mailing Address (if different)		
What county/city 4-H program are you enrolled in wit	h this project	
4-H Club	Years in 4-H (including	this year)
Is the place where you keep your project animal regis System (NAIS)	tered with the National Animal	Identification
Date Project Started D	ate Project Completed:	
Member Statement: hereby certify that I have personally kept records on this p	roject and have personally comple	ted this record book.
4-H Member's Signature	Date:_	
Record Approval: The 4-H member has completed this reco	rd book to a satisfactory level.	
Parent/Guardian Signature:		
I-H Leader's Signature:		



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#### Instructions for Using this Record Book

This record is designed to be the place for you to keep records on your animal projects. Read through the book carefully and complete all sections requested (for example, project planning, feed and health care purchases, supplies and tools, results from shows, and a financial summary). Do not leave any sections blank unless they do not relate to your project animal. It is important that you do your own work, but ask your 4-H leader, Extension Agent, parents, or other 4-H volunteers for help when you do not understand something.

This project record book is for record-keeping only. Information about how to raise these animals can be found in various 4-H Project Guides. Copies of project guides may be obtained from your local Virginia Cooperative Extension office.

- 1. Read through this book and familiarize yourself with the kinds of records you will need and where information should be recorded. Discuss the book with your parent and/or 4-H leader.
- 2. Complete essential information when you first start your project, such as the cover page and the project planning page. Share your goals with your 4-H leader.
- 3. Keep your records up to date. Record information as it occurs. Consider setting aside specific times during the project when you will work on your record book.
- 4. Write neatly and legibly. Use only one color ink.
- 5. Include at least one photograph of you with your project animal, but do not include more than two pages of photos. Additional clippings should be displayed in a scrapbook, not this record book.
- 6. Maintain your book in a 3-ring notebook/binder or folder.
- 7. Write a project story that captures what happened during your project. Discuss your goals, your activities, your challenges, and your accomplishments. Project stories must be at least five sentences; more experienced 4-H members' stories should be more in depth.

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# Project Planning

This page should be completed at the start of your project and share it with your 4-H leader.

#### 1. Set at least three goals for yourself this year.

• What do you want to learn?

• What do you hope to accomplish?

• What new activities do you want to try?

Please tell us about your project animals (check all that apply)

- □ I purchased my project animals
- □ My project animals are bred & owned (from a ewe in my flock)
- □ I lease my project animals
- □ I board my project animals at another farm

## Project Planning

1. What factors will you consider when selecting your project (breed, age, price, muscling, etc...)?

2. Where will you get your project? Reasons for selecting that breeder, farm, or business?

3. How much do you expect to spend on your p	roject?
Purchase price or value of the animal \$ _	
Cost of Feed \$	
Cost of Supplies \$	
Other Costs \$	
Expected Total Expenses \$	

4. How will you pay for your project animal and expenses?

After completion, show this page to your 4-H leader for approval. Leaders Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Sheep Flock Inventory Record Use one chart for all animals

Animal Value or Purchase Price						
Ownership Information	<ul> <li>Raised on the Farm</li> <li>Purchased</li> <li>Leased</li> <li>(lease date)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Raised on the Farm</li> <li>Purchased</li> <li>Leased</li> <li>(lease date)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Raised on the Farm</li> <li>Purchased</li> <li>Leased</li> <li>(lease date)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Raised on the Farm</li> <li>Purchased</li> <li>Leased</li> <li>(lease date)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Raised on the Farm</li> <li>Purchased</li> <li>Leased</li> <li>(lease date)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Raised on the Farm</li> <li>Purchased</li> <li>Leased</li> <li>(lease date)</li> </ul>
Birth date of Animal						
Description (breed, color, marking, etc)						
Registration # and/or Tattoo						
Animal ID (Name or #)						

\*\* Call your local Livestock Market or visit the VDACS Market News Website http://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/livestock/index.shtml to find the value of your project animals. \*\*

#### 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, trimming, foot care, etc....)
- Health practices and medicines
- General Management (cleaning living area and feed pans, halter breaking, training, etc...)
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Daily-Things done every day

Example: fed animal , gave fresh water, spent time with animal

Weekly–Things done once a week

Example: Cleaned feed and water containers, gave new bedding

Monthly–Things done once a month

Example: Groomed my animal

Yearly-Things done one time or occasionally throughout the year

Example: Trimmed feet

# Equipment and Supply Inventory

At the beginning of the 4-H year, take an inventory of what equipment and supplies are on hand. If the cost is not known, estimate the replacement value. Add new equipment or supplies you purchase to the list. If equipment is shared between 4-H members, divide the cost between

#### Beginning Inventory - Equipment on hand at beginning of the project year Remember that these are not "new" items. Wear and tear occurs on equipment we use again from year to year. These items will depreciate (go down in value). Please take this into account when putting a dollar value on your inventory items.

Amount & Kind	Beginning Value	End Value
Ex: 3 used rope halters	\$12.00	\$9.00

#### New Inventory - Equipment and supplies purchased during the project year Wear and tear occurs on equipment as we use it. New items will depreciate (go down in value). Please take this into account when putting a dollar value on your inventory items.

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Beginning Value	End Value
\$80.00 \$15.00	\$75.00 \$0.00
\$	\$
	\$80.00 \$15.00

\$ - \$	=	\$ Equipment Expenses

#### Feed Records and Expenses

Keeping good feed records is important. A good practice is to enter your feed expenses when you buy feed. Put a calendar in the barn and write down the amount and the kind of feed used each day. At the end of the month, total each kind of feed used and its cost and record the information below.

<u>Month</u>	Type of Feed (grain, silage, hay, pasture, etc.)	Amount (indicate lbs, bales, etc.)	<u>Cost or Value</u> \$\$ \$ Total Costs \$			
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TOTAL FEED COSTS FOR PROJECT \$\_\_\_\_\_

How to Calculate Monthly Cost of Feeds This worksheet provides you with the formula and practice on calculating how much you spend per month on feed. This information is needed to complete page 8. If you feel comfortable with this calculation you do not need to complete this page just move on to page 9.

<u>Grain</u>			
Cost of a bag of grain:	\$ ÷	lbs in the bag = \$	per Ib
Amount fed:	lbs per day X	days (in month) = _	Ibs
Monthly cost of grain: \$	\$>	< lbs = [	
	(Cost per Ib grain)	(Total amount fed)	(Monthly Cost of Grain)
Supplements (additi	ves for increasir	ng grain, etc)	
Cost of package: \$	÷0	z or lb. in container = \$	per oz or lb.
Amount fed:	_oz or lb. per day	X days (in m	onth) = oz or Ib.
Monthly cost of suppler			(Monthly cost of Supplement)
<u>Hay</u>			
Cost of a bale of hay: \$	•÷	lbs per bale = \$	per lb
Amount fed:	lbs per day X	days (in month) =	lbs
Monthly cost of hay: \$ _	X	lbs =	
(Co	ost per Ib of hay) (	(Total amount fed)	(Monthly Cost of Hay)

## Feed Tag Information

Please attach a tag or label from one feed being used for your project animal. If a home-made mix is used please describe the mix on a separate page.

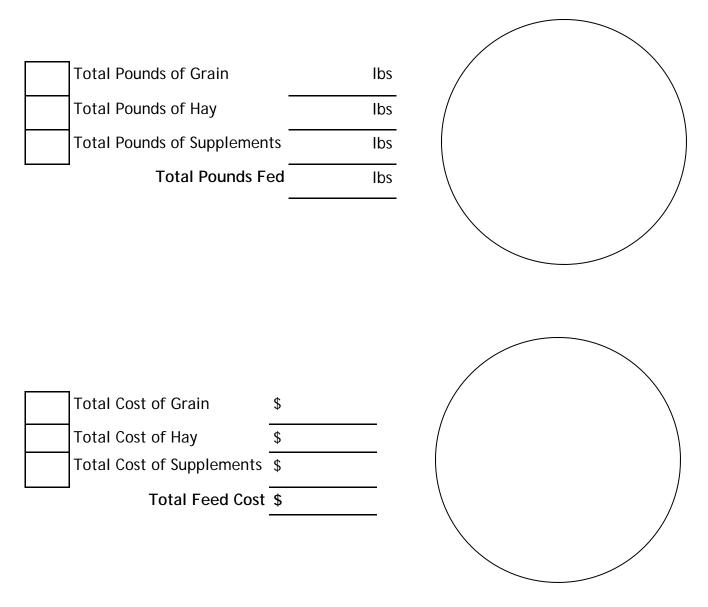
1. What production level or type of animal is this feed designed for? *(Ex. lactating animal, growing animal, etc....)* 

- 2. What is the Crude Protein level of this feed?
- 3. What is the main ingredient in this feed? (Hint: if the answer is not clear, it's probably the first ingredient listed.)
- 4. Is this a medicated feed?
- 5. What is the active drug ingredient?
- 6. Is there a withdrawal time of this drug ingredient?
- 7. The TDN (Total Digestible Nutrients) level of a feed indicates energy value Please calculate the TDN level of this feed. Crude fiber level can be found on your feed tag.

Formula = {84—(1.5 x % Crude Fiber)} - \_\_\_\_\_% TDN (Example {84—(1.5 X 15)} = 61.5 % TDN

## Feed Summary

Calculate the total amount of feed used and the amount spent of feed. Leave any blank that do not apply. Complete the pie charts below.



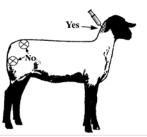
#### **Question**

How do these pie charts compare?

# Flock Health Treatment Record

Deworming Antibiotic Treatments Vaccinations Mange/Lice Treatments Vitamin Injections Other Health Treatments

Animal ID	Date	Condition Being Treated	Treatment Administered	Withdrawal Time (On Label)	Treatment Cost
			Product Used:		SPECIAL SCIENCES CONTRACTOR CONTRACTOR
			Dose:		
			Product Used:		
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			Dose:		
			Total Cost of	Treatments	\$



Suggestions for Proper Administration of Animal Drugs

- Properly restrain the animal before giving injections
- Give medications according to label instructions.
   Subcutaneous (Sub-Q) injection go under the skin in the neck.
   Intramuscular (IM) injections go in the neck muscle. If given an potion ALWAYS choose Sub-Q.

I certify that I produced this animal, it was not fed any prohibited feedstuffs and I have listed ALL products and treatments they received while in my care:

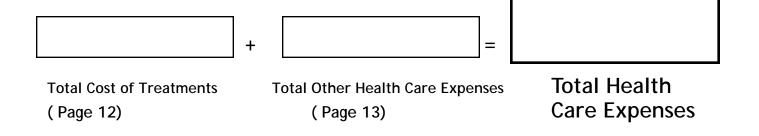
Youth Signature: \_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Other Health Care Expenses Anything health related that does not fit into treatment category like health papers from the Veterinarian or hoof trimming

	Cost \$
Health Papers for the County Fair	\$25.00
	\$
-	Total Other Health Care Expenses <i>(if any</i> )

Total Other Health Care Expenses (if any)



#### Miscellaneous Expenses or Fees

List any expenses that do not fit into one of the previous categories. Examples: Entry fees, transportation, breed association dues, registration papers, etc.

Date	Description	Cost \$
Example 7/1	County Fair Entry Fees	\$40.00
	Total Miscellaneous Expenses	\$

#### Miscellaneous Income

Any income from the sale of products from your project animal. (wool, offspring, milk, etc...)

Date	Description	Income \$
L	Total Miscellaneous Income	\$

Show Ring Record Record the date and name of any shows attended, placing out of the number of entries in the class, and any premium money earned.

Date	Show	Class	Placing	Premiums Won
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# Project Financial Summary

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

Income	
A. Animals or products sold pg 14	
B. Show Premiums Won pg 15	\$
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Total Income = Add (A+ B)	\$
Expenses	
<ol> <li>Animals purchased or Leasing fees pg 5</li> </ol>	\$
2. Equipment Expenses pg 7	\$
3. Feed Expenses pg 8	\$
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4. Health Expenses pg 13	\$
5. Miscellaneous Expenses pg 14	\$
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Total Expenses = Add $(1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5)$	)\$
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	\$
Financial Summary (Total Income - Total Expenses)	
	(circle one)

#### Questions

- 1. If you earned a profit, what will you do with the money?
- 2. What will you do differently next year?

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		Disposition (sold or added to the flock)							
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	Offspring Information	Birth Status (Live or Dead)							
Sheep Breeding & Lambing Record	Offs	Birth Weight							
reeding 8		Name or Flock #							
sep B		Sex							
She		Type of Birth (S, TW, TR)							
		Ram Name or Flock #							
		Date Lambed							
		Ewe Name or Flock #							

		Ewe Name or Flock #				Ram Name or Flock #	
		Age of Ewe				lock #	
		Date Lambed	Ewe Information			Breed	
		Number of Lambs Born	tion	Ewe Performance Record			Ra
		Number of Lambs Raised		rmance Re		Date Born	Ram Performance Record
		ised		cord		Type (S, T	iance R
		Weight of Lambs (a)	Offs			Type of Birth (S, Tw, Tr)	ecord
		Age in Days (b)	pring Performance			120 Day Adj Wt	
		Weight per day of age a ÷b	mance			ADG on Test	
		Fleece Wt	Wool Data			Date Turned in with Ewe Flock	

# **Performance Records** Use one chart for all animals

Note: You may photocopy pages 19-21 and add to other project books if you have more than one project type.

#### 4-H Activities

Number of club mee	tings held:	Number you attended						
What 4-H committees did you serve on?								
Did you hold an offic	cer position in your 4-H (	Club? 🗖 Ye	es 🗖 No					
	<ul> <li>Vice President</li> <li>Chaplain</li> <li>Other</li> </ul>	<b>J</b>						
What other 4-H lead	ership roles did you holc	this year? (	(camp counselor, teen leader, etc)					

What other 4-H clubs did you belong to and/or what other projects did you complete?

#### **4-H Activities**

(community service, workshops, camps, Share-the-Fun, county contests, judging teams, etc....)

Activity	Date	Location	Placing or Comments

#### Activities other than 4-H

What other clubs or groups did you belong to this year? (school, church, community, etc...)

# List any activities you participated in for scouts, sports groups, church, community service, etc. that were not affiliated with 4-H.

Activity	Date	Comments

What leadership roles did you fulfill outside of 4-H? (school, church, community, etc...)

Note: You may photocopy pages 17-19 and add to other project books if you have more than one project type.

#### 4-H Story

The motto of 4-H is "learn by doing". Each year we learn something new by participating in a 4-H project. Please write a story that explains:

- What you have learned
- New skills you have gained over this past year in 4-H
- What goals you accomplished. If you accomplished your goals, how did you do so?

Other Examples that you may consider writing about include: Something that happened that was funny, sad or exciting, Challenges you faced and how you overcame them, Who helped you with your project and how they contributed, Things you are most proud of. Feel free to relate your 4-H experience to other parts of your life (school, home, family, friends, etc..). Stories must be <u>at least five sentences</u>.



Project Photos
 \*\* Please limit yourself to a maximum of two photo pages. \*\*
 Additional memorabilia should be displayed in a scrapbook or 4-H portfolio.



## \*Optional—Record Book Scorecard

#### 4-H Members: Leave this page blank. The person judging your book will complete the score card.

Points <u>Possible</u>	Scoring Criteria	Points Awarded <u>by Judge</u>
10	Neatness (legible writing, one color ink, well-organized)	
15	Completeness (all pages and sections, complete thoughts and ideas)	
5	Signatures obtained on front cover (member, parent, leader)	
10	Accuracy (no math errors, factual statements made)	
20	Project Work (goals set, evidence of work throughout the year, goals accomplished, book completed by 4-H member, not an adult)	
10	4-H Participation (meetings, clinics, workshops, camps, contests, educational experiences)	
20	Project Story (well-written, original, creative, complete thoughts, grammar, mechanics)	
10	Photos, clippings, etc. (include at least one photo, not more than 2 pages)	
100	Total Points Earned by 4-H'er	
	Scoring: 90-100 Blue, 75-89 Red, 74 or below White	
ludges/ Comment		

Judges' Comments: