



## DUTCHESS COUNTY 4-H POULTRY PROGRAM

### **PROJECT OBJECTIVES:**

The purpose of the project is to help 4-H Club members to:

1. Develop leadership, public speaking, and organizational skills through experimental learning.
2. Aid the community through public service as well as in an informative capacity through bird and poultry awareness and bio-security measures.
3. Develop animal husbandry skills specific to poultry purchase, care, and showmanship.

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Be an Independent Member or a member of a 4-H club and attend meetings regularly.
2. Follow the leadership of the project leaders and Extension Staff.
3. Conduct a poultry project.
4. Complete a County Level Public Presentation, participate in the Paper Clover Project, and keep an accurate and up to date record book for each area of participation.



## 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. Include equipment and supplies added through the year.

ITEM	YEAR ACQUIRED	DESCRIPTION	COST OR VALUE
<b>TOTAL VALUE OF EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES:</b>			



# FLOCK RECORD

For each bird in your flock at the start of the project year, complete the table below. Use additional pages for each flock, or for the number of birds. Be sure to add new birds that come into your flock throughout the year.

FLOCK PURPOSE:		BREED:				
BIRD #/NAME	COCK/ HEN	DOB/ AGE	HATCH/ PURCHASE DATE	SOLD/ DIED?	STARTING VALUE	ENDING VALUE
<b>TOTAL:</b>						

\*Estimate the value of any birds gifted or born into your flock.

*Attach a photo of your flock here.*



## 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, training, etc.)

<b>DAILY – Things done every day (fed animal, watered, spent time with the animal)</b>
<b>WEEKLY – Things done once a week (Cleaned feed and water containers, new bedding)</b>
<b>Monthly- Things done once a month</b>
<b>Yearly – Things done one time or occasionally (e.g. trimmed feet)</b>





# HEALTH RECORD

DATE	TYPE OF EXPENSE/PROCEDURE RECORD	COST
<b>TOTAL HEALTH EXPENSES:</b>		\$
<b>EXPENSE % FOR FINANCIAL SUMMARY:</b>		\$



# MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

List any other expenses that did not fit into the previous categories.

DATE	DESCRIPTION	COST
<b>TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES:</b>		\$
<b>EXPENSE % FOR FINANCIAL SUMMARY:</b>		\$



# SHOW RECORD

List results of poultry show(s) entered. Use additional pages as needed.

SHOW:	DATE:	FEE/COST:	\$
BREED OR NAME OF BIRD	RIBBON	AWARD	PREMIUM \$
<b>TOTAL PREMIUM:</b>			



## INCOME

Please record all income from or related to your project, including the sale of any project animals.

DATE	DESCRIPTION	INCOME
<b>TOTAL INCOME:</b>		\$



## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

<b>Income</b>	
A. Show Premiums	\$
B. Income	\$
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	\$
<b>Expenses</b>	
1. Feed Expenses	\$
2. Health Expenses	\$
3. Show Expenses	\$
4. Miscellaneous Expenses	\$
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	\$
<b>TOTAL INCOME- TOTAL EXPENSES=</b>	\$
<b>CIRCLE ONE: PROFIT / LOSS</b>	





## MARKET BIRDS: WEIGHT GAIN AND FEED RECORDS

Keeping an accurate weight gain and feed record is important. Reviewing this information will enable you to determine how successful your project was.

Use the following record pages for **MEAT PRODUCTION NON-AUCTION BIRDS**

**For birds participating in Livestock Sale, please attach the Youth Livestock Sale Record book to this 4-H Poultry Record book, in place of the following record pages.**

Print copies of the records table (on the next page) for each of the following livestock classes you have chosen to work with this year. Complete the table for the number of weeks noted for each chosen class type.

The records table may also be used for any other type of bird you have chosen to work with for your project this year, including the Advisory Breed Choice project.

LIVESTOCK CLASS	BREED	NO. OF WEEKS TO RECORD
Commercial Meat Pen	Jumbo Cornish-X	9
Meat Duck	APA Standard	9
Roaster	Jumbo Cornish-X	13
Turkey	Double-Breasted	18
Game	Guinea Fowl	18
Goose	APA Standard	20
Heritage Roaster	APA Standard	20
Heritage Turkey	APA Standard	Up to 28

### **Legend for Table:**

\* To calculate the initial average weight, weigh all birds and add up all weights. Take total and divide by the number of birds.

\*\* To calculate the average pounds of feed per week, take the total number of pounds per week and divide by the number of birds.

\*\*\* To calculate the weekly weight gain, add up the new weights and divide by the total number of birds. Next, subtract the average initial weight from the new average. Remember to record the new average weight in the initial average weight gain column for the next week.

\*\*\*\* To calculate the average daily gain, divide the average weekly weight gain by 7.



# WEIGHT GAIN AND FEED RECORDS

Class/Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Birds Started: \_\_\_\_\_

Source: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Project Started: \_\_\_\_\_

LIVESTOCK CLASS	WEEK	INITIAL AVG. WEIGHT *	FEED USED PER WEEK		AVG. WEEKLY WEIGHT GAIN ***	AVG. DAILY WEIGHT GAIN ****
			POUNDS	POUNDS /BIRD **		
Commercial Meat Pen Meat Duck	1					
	2					
	3					
	4					
	5					
	6					
	7					
	8					
	9					
Roaster	10					
	11					
	12					
	13					
Game Fowl/ Turkey	14					
	15					
	16					
	17					
	18					
H.Roaster Goose	19					
	20					
Heritage Turkey	21					
	22					
	23					
	24					
	25					
	26					
	27					
	28					
		<b>TOTALS:</b>				



# YEAR IN REVIEW

*Specific to your project, answer the following questions. Please add drawings, pictures, diagrams or newspaper clippings.*

What were your goal(s) for this year?

Did you achieve them? Explain why or why not.

What was your greatest accomplishment this year?

What do you want to work on or learn about next year?

## Year in Review continued

Use this space to add additional feedback on your project this year.

## Summary of Club Meetings attended in the current 4-H Year

This record is of business meetings and educational activities done as a club. It does not include special events such as countywide events, field trips, shows, the fair, etc.

Club Name:

Club Leader(s)

Club meetings attended this year	# Meetings held by Club	# Meetings you attended	% Meetings you attended	# Hours you attended
A minimum of 6 meetings per year is required by all clubs. What percentage attendance is required by your club? <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; margin-top: 10px;"> <input style="width: 40px; height: 25px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <span style="margin-left: 5px;">%</span> </div>				

## Summary and Declaration

Those youth completing all 4-H expectations will be deemed as being in “GOOD STANDING” for the current 4-H year. This is an accomplishment to be proud of and will be rewarded with a Certificate and 4-H Achievement Pin.

Complete the table below to be eligible for this award by checking the box to certify you fulfilled each expectation.

4-H Expectations to complete the 4-H Year in GOOD STANDING	State YES if you completed this
Enrolled in 4-H by May 31 of the current 4-H year	
Always abided by the 4-H Code of Conduct	
Attended at least the minimum number of meetings required by my club(s)	
Met all 4-H and Club deadlines on time	
Completed a County-level Public Presentation	
Submitted MY 4-H Story in the correct format on time	
Submitted my completed Project Record Book on time	

I hereby declare that this 4-H Record Book, which contains:

Section 1: My Personal Development Record; and

Section 2: My Project(s) Record(s)

is a true record of my activities/accomplishments from the current 4-H year.

I confirm that, so far as is reasonably possible given my age and abilities, it is my own work.

**Signed by 4-H'er:**

**Signed by Club Leader:**