



UVM 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:		
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.

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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?

Life Skills: Goal setting, Decision making

(Ac	dd picture of goat here)	
Ancestry		
Goat's Name	Reg#/AID#	
Breed	Date of Birth	
Sire	Sire Dam	
Dam	Dam	_

Life Skill – Record Keeping

Animal name_____

Health and Management Record: List dates action taken.

	Year <u>2009</u>	Year	Year	Year	Year
Rabies	March 30				

Veterinarian Name_____ Phone_____

Record of Fairs and Shows

		# in	Placing &		Premiums
Date	Name of show	class	Ribbon	Entry Fees	(optional)

Life Skills – Planning and Organizing

Feed and Bedding Expenses

Name of animal Year

Age of animal (months) ______at start of project.

	Lbs. of Grain	Cost	Lbs. Of Hay	Cost	Pasture Value	* other feed	Cost	Bedding	Cost	TOTAL COST
September										
October										
November										
December										
January										
February										
March										
April										
Мау										
June										
July										
August										
TOTALS										

Life Skills – Critical Thinking, Problem Solving

Project Goat Inventory

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

Goat name or #	Registration Number	Breed	Birth date/age	Date of Purchase	How animal left herd/date	sex	Project value
Example: Clara	Not registered	Grade	4/18/97	2/6/98		W	\$150

Kidding Record (use if applicable)

Date Bred/Name of Doe	Kidding date	# of kids	Sex	Name of Kid(s)	Sire of kid(s)	Birth Weight	Disposition (sold or add to herd)
10/3/04 Maxi	3/2/05	1	D	Suzy	Big Boy	3lbs	Add to herd

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.

Date	Description of expense (include quantities)	Cost (\$)
12/15/09	Example: 1 pitch fork	\$25.00
	Total	

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.

What I do for/with my project animal			
Daily			
Weekly			
Monthly			
Yearly			

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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.

January	Average lbs/day	Х	31 days	=	lbs		
February	Average lbs/day	X	28 days	=	lbs		
March	Average lbs/day	X	31 days	=	lbs		
April	Average lbs/day	X	30 days	=	lbs		
May	Average lbs/day	Х	31 days	=	lbs		
June	Average lbs/day	Х	30 days	=	lbs		
July	Average lbs/day	X	31 days	=	lbs		
August	Average lbs/day	X	31 days	=	lbs		
September	Average lbs/day	Х	30 days	=	lbs		
October	Average lbs/day	Х	31 days	=	lbs		
November	Average lbs/day	Х	30 days	=	lbs		
December	Average lbs/day	Х	31 days	=	lbs		
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 Provide the Provide Total Provi	oducedlbs x From above	\$	value	e/lb =	\$		

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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.

Animal's name	Breed	Sex	Date of Birth	Date Shorn	Fiber Quality	Fiber Weight	Income

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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 far member completed this record book and the	miliar with this work and, to the best of my knowledge, 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				
4-H Motto To Make the Best Better 4-H Col					
4-H Pledge I pledge my head					
My Heart to grea					
My hands to larg	-				
And my health to For my club, my	-				
My country and	-				
ing country and					