

4AF-03RE



4-H Horse Project Record

For Kentucky 4-H Horse Club Members

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Name _____

Club _____

Leader(s) _____

Age _____ **Birth Date** _____

County _____ **Year** _____

Keeping good records is an important part of your 4-H work. Accurate records will tell others about your work and progress and will help you to become a better horseman/woman.

You should answer all of the questions under "General Information" at the beginning of the project. Some of the questions will ask you to establish goals for the coming year. Each 4-H Horse Club member is encouraged to set at least one goal which he or she plans to attain during the project year.

General Information

Name of horse _____ Age _____

Breed _____ Reg. or grade _____

Sex _____ Height _____ Color and markings _____

Pedigree:

_____	Sire	Grand sire:
		Grand dam:
Your horse		
_____	Dam	Grand sire:
		Dam:

Registration number _____

Name of breed association _____

How long have you owned your horse? _____ Who feeds him most of the time? _____

What was your horse body condition score (BCS) at the beginning of the project year? _____

What was your horse BSC at the end of the project year? _____

Is this an optimal BCS for your horse's performance? _____

Throughout the year, did the BCS improve or deteriorate? _____

What did you do to improve your horse's body condition? Include feeding techniques and training. _____

If the BCS deteriorated, what is your plan to improve it? Include feeding techniques and training. _____

Do other people ride it, other than you? _____ If yes, why and how often? _____

What was your horse trained to do when you obtained it? _____

What have you taught it since you've owned it? _____

What do you plan to teach it this year? _____

How do you plan to become a better horseman/woman? _____

What 4-H horse activities do you plan to participate in this year? _____

How do you plan to help others appreciate and enjoy horses? _____

What major goal do you plan to attain or what skill do you plan to develop during the course of this project? _____

Equipment Inventory

Item	Purchase price	Expected to last how many years?	Equipment cost per year*
Saddles			
Bridles			
Saddle blanket			
Saddle pads			
Halter			
Lead rope			
Lunge line			
Tie down			
Running martingale			
Bits			
Tail set			
Harness			
Winter blanket			
Cooler			
Hoof pick			
Hoof knife			
Hoof nippers			
Hoof rasp			
Brush			
Currycomb			
Mane-tail comb			
Sweat scraper			
Shedding blade			
Sponge			
Leg wraps			
Bucket			
Feed tub			
Clippers			
Hay net			
Girth			
Whip			
Tail braces			
Tail switches			
False tails			
Splint boots			
Quarter boots			
Ribbons			
Cart			
Trailer			
Fly masks			
Supplies: Shampoo, conditioner, detangler, fly spray, hoof polish, etc.			
Other:			
Total equipment cost this year \$			

* Divide purchase price by the number of years the item is expected to last.

Feeding Record

Month	Grain			Hay			
	Kind	Amt (lb)	Cost	Kind	Amt (lb)	Cost	
Jan							
Feb							
Mar							
Apr							
May							
June							
July							
Aug							
Sept							
Oct							
Nov							
Dec							
Total cost			\$	Total cost			\$

Month	Pasture		Bedding		Boarding	
	Kind	Cost	Kind	Cost	Cost	
Jan						
Feb						
Mar						
Apr						
May						
June						
July						
Aug						
Sept						
Oct						
Nov						
Dec						
Total cost		\$	Total cost		\$	\$

Did you save on any of the above costs through wise buying? _____ If yes, how and how much did you save? _____

Did you use a feed additive/supplement? _____ If yes, why? _____

Did you change the diet (kind or amount fed) at any time? _____ If yes, why? _____

Did you provide salt and mineral blocks? _____ If yes, when and why? _____

Total grain, hay, and pasture costs: _____

Total bedding and board costs: _____

Training Record

Stop • Back • Leads • Trotting Circles • Loping or Canterng Circles • Pivots • Turning on the Front Feet • Setting Up • Side Passing • Simple Lead Change • Setting Head • Flying Lead Change • Lungeing • Serpentine • Figure Eights • Parking • Jumping • Slow Gait • Rack • Diagonals • Counter Canter • Line Driving • Driving to the Cart • Galloping • Cavaletti • Extended Trot • On the Bit • Standing Quietly • Collect • Gait Transitions • Others

Month	Kind of training	Time (hrs)	Remarks
Jan			
Feb			
Mar			
Apr			
May			
June			
July			
Aug			
Sept			
Oct			
Nov			
Dec			

Total hrs. spent on training

Veterinary Record

Coggins Test • Fecal Egg Count • Parasite Control • Vaccinations • General Illness • Injury • Physical Exam • Certificate of Veterinary Inspection • Other

Date	Treatment*	Cost
Total cost of veterinary services		\$

* If treated for illness or injury, please describe. _____

What type medication was used for deworming, how was it administered, and what parasites did it help control? _____

What vaccinations were given, what did they immunize your horse against, and how long should they be effective? _____

Farrier Record

Date	Trim	Shoe	Reset	Cost
Total cost of farrier services				\$

What size shoe does your horse wear? _____

Did your horse experience thrush, hoof wall cracks, or any other foot problems? _____

If so, explain the problem and how it was treated. _____

List the various tools a farrier would use and the purpose of each.

Tool	Purpose

Dental Record

How often is your horse seen by an equine dentist? _____

Date	Float	Wolf Tooth Extraction	Cost
Total cost of dental services			\$

List the various tools a dentist uses and the purpose of each.

Tool	Purpose

Horse Activities

A. Crafts • Public Speaking • Horse Demonstration • Horse Bowl • Horse Judging • Hippology

Date	Activity	Level of competition*	Placing or award

B. Trail Rides • Drill Team • Parades • County Fairs • Others

Date	Activity	Level of competition*	Placing or award

C. Horsemanship Camps • Judging Clinics • Short Courses • Field Trips • Films or Books

Date	Activity	Material learned

*(C-County, A-Area, S-State, R-Regional, N-National)

D. Horse Shows

	Class	No. contestants	Entry fee	Placing	Premium
Date					
Show					
Location					
Date					
Show					
Location					
Date					
Show					
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Show					
Location					

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Date					
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Location					
Date					
Show					
Location					
Total					

Financial Summary

Income

Animals sold	_____
Equipment sold	_____
Total premiums	_____
Other:	
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Grand total of income	\$ _____

Expenses

Total equipment costs	_____
Total grain, hay, and pasture costs	_____
Total bedding and boarding costs	_____
Total veterinary costs	_____
Total farrier costs	_____
Total show entry fees	_____
Other:	
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Grand total of expenses	\$ _____

Progress Summary

Considering age, training, and other related factors, is your horse now worth more or less than at the beginning of the project? _____

Why? _____

What have you taught your horse this year? _____

What have you learned in the areas of:

• Tack and equipment care _____

• Horse nutrition and feeding management _____

• Veterinary care _____

• Foot care _____

• Grooming and fitting _____

• Horse judging and selection _____

What goal(s) did you attain and/or skill(s) did you develop? _____

Leader/Agent Checklist

This member has a good working knowledge of:

- _____ Basic parts of the horse
- _____ General feeding management and nutrition
- _____ Proper fitting and grooming
- _____ Correct means of catching, bridling, saddling, and tying
- _____ Proper foot care
- _____ Basic training
- _____ Principles of showmanship
- _____ Principles of horsemanship
- _____ General soundness

This member is recognized for his or her:

- _____ Regular meeting attendance
- _____ Active club involvement
- _____ Involvement in county, area, and state competition
- _____ Clean and properly adjusted equipment
- _____ Continual improvement in becoming a more skilled and knowledgeable horseman
- _____ Sportsmanship and helpfulness to others

This member has successfully completed this 4-H Horse Project record book.

Leader's Signature

Date

Agent's Signature

Date

