



# 4-H CLUB Poultry Record Book

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Name of Your Club _____
Your Name _____
Your County _____
Your Mailing Address _____
Age _____ Grade in School _____
Date Record Book Started _____ Date Closed _____
Name of School _____
Years in Poultry Project Including This Year _____
Breed of Poultry _____
Extension Agent : _____

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## WHY KEEP RECORDS

- To have an account of all of your 4-H accomplishments in one place.
- Records point up the advantages and disadvantages of projects.
- They reflect your interest as a 4-H Club Member.
- Records show self improvement and service to others.
- Records are valuable for publicity.
- To show others what you have done.
- To train yourself for future work.
- To qualify for camp, Congress, contests, and awards.

## GENERAL RULES FOR 4-H CLUB MEMBERS

1. Must be at least 10 and not over 20 years of age.
2. Should do as much of the work themselves as possible.
3. Must complete record books as instructed.
4. Records must be up-to-date for camps and Congress.
5. Members must write a story of year's work in record books.
6. Should attend all meetings and as many county events as possible.
7. Take or send record books to County or Home Economics Agent when requested.
8. All members should make exhibits or give demonstrations when they can.
9. County or Home Economics Agent will state how small a project may be in the county.
10. County or Home Economics Agent has supervision of 4-H Club Work in the county. He or she may be assisted by the local leader.

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Extension Poultryman Emeritus

## HOW TO KEEP THIS POULTRY RECORD:

1. At start of project:
  - A. The first thing you should do is to study this record book carefully.
  - B. Fill in cover page.
  - C. Fill in figures under "beginning of record" at top of Page 4.
  - D. Fill in information under "day-old chicks started" (Page 4) when you purchase or start baby chicks.
  - E. List all feed and other expenses to date on Page 6.
2. Each time you buy or are given feed, medicines or equipment, be sure to enter it in the record under expenses.
3. Each time you sell or use on the farm any eggs, chickens, manure, etc., be sure to enter it under receipts.
4. After chickens start to lay, enter the necessary figures on Pages 5 and 12.
5. At close of project:
  - A. Fill in figures under "close of record" at top of Page 4. This includes total for year on Pages 5 and 12 and all expenses and receipts on Pages 10 and 11.
  - B. Answer questions on Page 13.
  - C. Fill in Financial Statement on Page 14.
  - D. Be sure to write a story about you and your poultry project on Page 15 and complete Page 16.

## SUGGESTIONS

Every club member is expected to study bulletins and other instructions, furnished by the agent to the member. Remember you are in club work to learn how "to make the best better". Read all you can about the type of birds you are raising. Study your birds, watch how they grow, try to find out which feed gives best results. Learn how to condition your birds and then show them at Poultry Shows and Exhibits. Learn how to select, exhibit and judge eggs.

Remember that the agent is in your county to help you. If you have any trouble, such as your chickens getting off feed or sick, let your agent know and he or she will help you.

## INVENTORY

STOCK AND EQUIPMENT	BEGINNING OF RECORD		CLOSE OF RECORD	
	Number or Amount	Total Value	Number or Amount	Total Value
Hens		\$		\$
Pullets				
Males for Breeding				
Birds for Meat (broilers)				
Chicks under 8 weeks old				
<b>Total (Stock)</b>		<b>(A) \$</b>		<b>(B) \$</b>
Houses		\$		\$
Feeders				
Waterers				
Misc.				
<b>Total (Equipment)</b>		<b>(C) \$</b>		<b>(D) \$</b>

### DAY-OLD CHICKS STARTED

DATE	BREED AND VARIETY	NUMBER STARTED	NUMBER RAISED
<b>TOTAL —&gt;</b>			

What type brooder did you use? .....

What types feed did you use? .....

Did you buy straight run or pullet chicks? .....

**SUMMARY OF ORIGIN AND DISPOSAL OF LAYERS**

MONTH	No. Layers Beginning of Month	Sales During Month	Deaths During Month	Eaten During Month	Layers Added During Month	On Hand at End of Month	Average No. for Month *
January							
February							
March							
April							
May							
June							
July							
August							
September							
October							
November							
December							
Total for Year	—					—	

\* The average number of layers for each month is obtained by adding the number of birds on hand at the beginning and end of the month and dividing by two (2). For the yearly average, add the twelve monthly averages and divide by twelve (12). The number of layers at the end of each month is the number at the beginning of the month, minus the layers sold, died or eaten plus any that might have been added during the month.

**KEEP AN ACCURATE RECORD OF ALL LAYERS ADDED, SOLD, DIED, OR EATEN.**















### DAILY EGG RECORD

DATE	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
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31												
Total No. Eggs												
*Av. No. of Birds												
**Av. No. of Eggs per Bird												

\* The average number birds is shown on Page 5.  
 \*\* Divide average number birds into total number of eggs.

## QUESTIONNAIRE

(To be filled in at close of record)

1. Check the following—

Were your chickens bothered by:

Coccidiosis .....		Lice .....	
Fowl Pox .....		Fleas .....	
Newcastle .....		Mites .....	
Bronchitis .....		Ticks .....	
Leucosis .....		Worms .....	
Pullet Disease .....		Others .....	
Colds .....		.....	

2. Did you market eggs wholesale or retail? .....
3. Did you market meat and/or broilers wholesale or retail? .....
4. What per cent of your project work was done by you? .....
5. Was this your best year in poultry club work? .....
6. Do you plan to have a poultry project next year? .....
7. If so, how many birds do you plan to have? .....
8. List county, district and state shows and events that you participated in during the past twelve (12) months:  
 County .....
- District .....
- State .....
9. Have you ever been on a Poultry Judging Team? ..... When?.....
10. Have you ever attended 4-H Summer Camp? ..... When?.....
11. Have you ever attended 4-H Congress? ..... When?.....
12. Did you attend 4-H meetings regularly this year? .....
13. Did you keep accurate records day by day? .....
14. Do you think your poultry project was poor ....., fair ....., good ....., or excellent .....? (check one)

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**  
(To be filled in at close of record)

**EXPENSES**

Value of stock on hand at beginning .....	(A) Page 4 .....	\$.....
Value of equipment on hand at beginning .....	(C) Page 4 .....	.....
Cost of feed, equipment, medicines, etc. ....	(F) Page 10 .....	<u>.....</u>
	<b>Total Expenses</b> ....	<b>\$.....</b>

**RECEIPTS**

Value of stock on hand at close .....	(B) Page 4 .....	\$.....
Value of equipment on hand at close .....	(D) Page 4 .....	.....
Receipts poultry, eggs, manure, etc., sold or used .....	(G) Page 11 .....	<u>.....</u>
	<b>Total Receipts</b> .....	<b>\$.....</b>
	<b>Total Expenses</b> ....	<b><u>\$.....</u></b>

**Receipts Less Expenses**

<b>Plus</b> .....	<b>\$.....</b>
<b>Minus</b> .....	<b>\$.....</b>

Use this space for pictures, news clippings, ribbons, etc.



Lined area for writing the project record.

**This is a true record of my project.**

**Signed.....**

**Club Member**

**Approved: .....**

**Extension Agent**

**.....**

**Date**

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