

Agreement

Sussex County 4-H Animal Land/Lease/Board

Between 4-H Member and Legal Owner/Land Owner

4-H Member

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

County _____ Phone _____

Grade _____ (as of September) Email _____

4-H Club _____

I have read the 4-H Animal Land/Lease/Board Agreement and will abide by all of the requirements.

4-H Member Signature _____
Date

Parent/Guardian Signature _____
Date

Legal Owner of Animal or Landowner

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

I have read the Sussex County 4-H Animal Land/Lease/Board. I will abide by it and loan the animal(s) listed below to the 4-H member noted above.

Legal Owner Signature _____
Date

- Beef
 Dairy
 Goat
 Lamb
 Sheep
 Other

Animal Name	Lease	Board	ID/Registration	Ear Tag/Tattoo # (if applicable)	Breed	DOB	Gender

I verify that the 4-H member is a Member in Good Standing

4-H Leader's Signature _____
Date

I verify that the 4-H member is a Member in Good Standing

County Agent/4-H Staff Signature _____
Date

Form Must be Received in the 4-H/Cooperative Extension Office by May 1st

Beef Projects are due December 1st

Breeding Sheep and Goat Projects are due October 1st

Sussex County 4-H Animal Land/Lease/Board Program

Objective of the 4-H Animal Lease/ Program

The objective of this program is to allow youth who do not have the resources to raise/own a 4-H animal project the opportunity to have a project animal through leasing. It will also allow members who may not have space for livestock on their property to develop a boarding agreement. The 4-H member will gain first-hand experience in the care, management and showing of 4-H animal projects through the cooperation of local land and animal owners.

Rules of the Land/Lease/Board Agreement (LLB)

1. To be valid, the agreement must be signed by owner, 4-H member, and a parent/guardian. Upon signature of all parties involved, this Land/Lease/ Board Agreement (LLB) is subject to the rules described herein.
2. The term of the lease shall be the date the legal owner signs the form, until the end of the 4-H project year.
3. The project animal and Land Lease Agreement must be registered in the county 4-H Office as of **May 1st** of the current year for swine. Beef projects must be filed by **January 1st**. Sheep and goat projects are due **February 1st**. Offspring may be used as a breeding or market project.
4. During the term of the agreement, the animal is considered a 4-H project. The 4-H member must keep a project specific 4-H Record Book and a Journal to document the actual time spent caring for the animal. Journal entries should include dates and time spent at the farm, as well as specific work/care performed each time. Farmer and members are to sign journal entries at the end of each visit.
5. The 4-H member must agree to physically care for this animal to the fullest extent possible. A care schedule will be developed between the owner of the animal, landowner and the 4-H member. (The attached 4-H Member & Responsibilities form should be completed.)
6. No animal substitutions may be made between **May 1st** and the conclusion of the 4-H project year. In the case of death, the Owner and Member may wish to make an agreement on another animal of similar age on the farm.
7. The Owner agrees not to sell the animal after signing the agreement until after the NJ 4-H project animal show and/or end of project year has been completed.
8. **MAS Eligibility:** At the end of the lease, the Owner and 4-H Member must renew the agreement for another year in October (sheep and goats) and December (steers).
9. All 4-H rules, policies, requirements for specific animal project apply to this project.
10. The land owner, leader, or legal owner must be held harmless by the 4-H member, friends, family, etc. if any injuries occur unless gross negligence can be attributed to the land owner, leader, or legal owner.

Rules of Specific Project Animal Agreement

BEEF/SHEEP/GOATS/SWINE

1. A 4-H Member may enter only one new lease per species each 4-H project year.
2. Registration forms (yellow) and photos for beef projects participating in the 4-H Market Animal Sale must be on file with MAS Secretary by **February 1st**.
3. Breeding sheep and goat LLB forms are due **February 1st**.
4. Registration forms (yellow) and photos for market lamb/goats/swine projects participating in the 4-H Market Animal Sale must be on file with MAS Secretary by **May 1st**.
5. The livestock owner has the right to cancel the lend agreement at any time if the 4-H Member is not caring for the animal properly to where the 4-H Member has caused harm to the health and welfare of the animal.

DAIRY

1. The first year an animal is leased by a 4-H Member it must not have calved (under two years of age).
2. To be eligible for the lease/borrow program, a 4-H Member must not currently own (or purchase within current project year) a dairy cow or calf.
3. A 4-H Member may enter into only one lease their first year in 4H. After the first year, they may enter into 1 or 2 new leases per year.
4. No animal substitutions may be made after the **May 1st** deadline on a signed lease.

The legal / land owner may cancel the agreement at any time if the 4-H Member is not caring for the animal properly to the extent that the 4-H Member has or may caused harm to the health and welfare of the animal.

**Sussex County 4-H Animal Land Lease Agreement
4-H Member and Owner Responsibilities**

Project Year:

Subject	Owner Responsible	Member Responsible	Comment (i.e. times/week/month)
Routine Care			
Daily Feeding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Foot Trimming	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Grooming (shearing, clipping)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
De-worming	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Housing of Animal(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Breeding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Cleaning Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Exhibition			
Transportation to/from	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Veterinary Inspection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Expenses			
Feed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Veterinary (routine)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Veterinary (exhibition)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Transportation Costs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Rental Fee/Animal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Equipment			
Buckets	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Halters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Shears/Clippers/Scissors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Fitting Equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other			
Product (fleece, milk, offspring, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Insurance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Member Signature

Parent Signature

Owner Signature