



# 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.

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

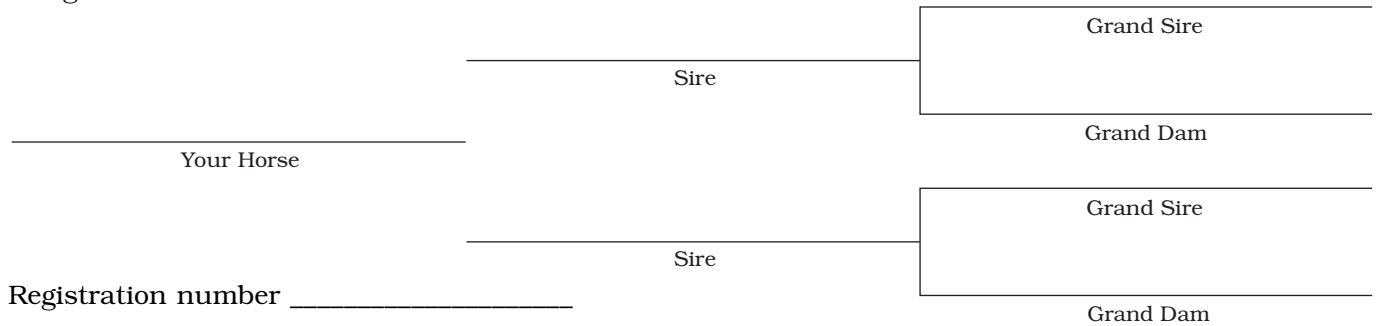
Name of horse \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Reg. or grade \_\_\_\_\_

Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_

Color and markings \_\_\_\_\_

Pedigree:



Registration number \_\_\_\_\_

Name of breed association \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you owned your horse? \_\_\_\_\_ Was he raised by you? \_\_\_\_\_

Who feeds him most of the time? \_\_\_\_\_

Do any others ride him other than you? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_

What was your horse trained to do when you obtained him? \_\_\_\_\_

What have you taught him since you've owned him? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you plan to teach him this year? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you plan to become a better horseman? \_\_\_\_\_

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 shank			
Lunge line			
Tie down			
Running martingale			
Bitting rig			
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			
Supplies:			
Other:			
<b>Total Equipment Cost This Year \$</b>			

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

# Feeding Record

Month	<i>Grain</i>			<i>Hay</i>		
	Kind	Amt (lb)	Cost	Kind	Amt (lb)	Cost
Oct						
Nov						
Dec						
Jan						
Feb						
Mar						
Apr						
May						
Jun						
Jul						
Aug						
Sep						
<b>Total Cost:</b> <span style="margin-left: 150px;"><b>Grain \$</b> _____</span> <span style="margin-left: 150px;"><b>Hay \$</b> _____</span>						

Month	<i>Pasture</i>		<i>Bedding</i>		<i>Boarding</i>
	Kind	Cost	Kind	Cost	Cost
Oct					
Nov					
Dec					
Jan					
Feb					
Mar					
Apr					
May					
Jun					
Jul					
Aug					
Sep					
<b>Total Cost:</b> <span style="margin-left: 50px;"><b>Pasture \$</b> _____</span> <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><b>Bedding \$</b> _____</span> <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><b>Boarding \$</b> _____</span>					

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

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Did you use a feed additive? \_\_\_\_ If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Did you provide salt and mineral blocks? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, when and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Total grain, hay, and pasture costs**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total bedding and board costs**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# Training Record

Stop • Back • Leads • Trotting Circles • Loping or Cantering Circles • Pivots • 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 • Others

Month	Kind of Training	Time (Hrs)	Remarks
<b>Sep</b>			
<b>Oct</b>			
<b>Nov</b>			
<b>Dec</b>			
<b>Jan</b>			
<b>Feb</b>			
<b>Mar</b>			
<b>Apr</b>			
<b>May</b>			
<b>Jun</b>			
<b>Jul</b>			
<b>Aug</b>			
<b>Total hrs. spent on training</b>			





# Horse Activities

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

Date	Activity	Level of Competition*	Placing or Award
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

## B. Trail Rides • Drill Team • Parades • 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**

	<b>Class</b>	<b>No. Contestants</b>	<b>Entry Fee</b>	<b>Placing</b>	<b>Premium</b>
Date _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Show _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Location _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Date _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Show _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Location _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Date _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Show _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Location _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Date _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Show _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Location _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Date _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Show _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Location _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Date _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Show _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Location _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

**D. Horse Shows (continued)**

	<b>Class</b>	<b>No. Contestants</b>	<b>Entry Fee</b>	<b>Placing</b>	<b>Premium</b>
Date _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Show _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Location _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Date _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Show _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Location _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Date _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Show _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Location _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Date _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Show _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Location _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Date _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Show _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Location _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Date _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Show _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Location _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<b>Total:</b>		<b>Entry Fee \$ _____</b>		<b>Premium \$ _____</b>

# Horse Breeding Project

**NOTE! This section should be filled in only by 4-H members carrying the horse breeding project.**

Name of dam \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
 Breed of dam \_\_\_\_\_ Reg. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of covering sire \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
 Breed of covering sire \_\_\_\_\_ Reg. No. \_\_\_\_\_

## Teasing-Breeding Chart

Month/Day	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
December																
January																
February																
March																
April																
May																
June																
July																

Month/Day	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
December															
January															
February															
March															
April															
May															
June															
July															

*E—Estrus (in heat)    D—Diestrus (out of heat)    P—Palpated    C—Culture    F—Foaled    S—Sutured*

Stallion breeding fee	\$ _____	Feed cost of mare during pregnancy	\$ _____
Booking fee	\$ _____	Veterinary expenses	\$ _____
Mare care fee	\$ _____	_____	_____
Other _____	\$ _____		
_____	\$ _____		
_____	\$ _____	Total cost	\$ _____
Total breeding cost	\$ _____	Total expenses incurred for entire breeding project	\$ _____
Mare is due to foal on _____			

What was the body condition score and breeding status of the mare entering breeding season?

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How was estrus determined in the mare? \_\_\_\_\_

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What signs did the mare exhibit during estrus? \_\_\_\_\_

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During diestrus? \_\_\_\_\_

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How was the mare bred? \_\_\_\_\_ Artificial insemination \_\_\_\_\_ Natural services

Remarks \_\_\_\_\_

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Which means was used to determine pregnancy?

\_\_\_\_\_ Failure to return to estrus \_\_\_\_\_ Ultrasound \_\_\_\_\_ Rectal palpation

Remarks \_\_\_\_\_

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What signs did the mare exhibit prior to foaling? \_\_\_\_\_

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What procedures were taken prior to foaling to ensure a safe delivery? \_\_\_\_\_

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Foaling date \_\_\_\_\_ Sex of foal \_\_\_\_\_

Color and markings \_\_\_\_\_

What vaccinations were given at foaling? \_\_\_\_\_

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Condition of mare after foaling? \_\_\_\_\_

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Condition of foal after foaling? \_\_\_\_\_

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Time until first standing? \_\_\_\_\_

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Time until beginning nursing? \_\_\_\_\_

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If the mare did not conceive, what factors do you believe may have affected her ability to get in foal?

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# Financial Summary

## Income

Animals Sold \_\_\_\_\_

Equipment Sold \_\_\_\_\_

Total Premiums \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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**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: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

**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? \_\_\_\_\_

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What have you taught your horse this year? \_\_\_\_\_

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What have you learned in the areas of:

• Tack and Equipment Care \_\_\_\_\_

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• Horse Nutrition and Feeding Management \_\_\_\_\_

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• Veterinary Care \_\_\_\_\_

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• Foot Care \_\_\_\_\_

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• Grooming and Fitting \_\_\_\_\_

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• Horse Judging and Selection \_\_\_\_\_

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• What goal(s) did you attain and/or skill(s) did you develop? \_\_\_\_\_

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# 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 unsoundnesses

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

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