
4-H Dog Record Guide

Title Project Taken

20 _____

Your Animal's Photo Here!

Name _____ Club _____

County _____ Address _____

Age _____ Years in 4-H _____ Date project completed _____



Introduction

The 4-H Dog project begins when you start your 4-H project year in October. Some sections of the record book require you to establish some expected goals to meet. It is important to do these at the start of the project year. If you need help with understanding the material, contact your 4-H leader or Extension agent.

This project is for those who want to learn how to feed and care for their dog companion, keep their dog(s) healthy and contented, train their dog(s) to be a good neighbor, and promote responsible pet ownership in addition to practicing such important life skills as decision making, communicating with others, leading self and others, planning and organizing, and accepting responsibility.

This record guide is designed to be used with the Dog project. It is suggested that each project be used for three years before moving to the next level. You will need to order the Dog Record Guide each year you take the project.

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Information About My Dog

My dog's name is _____

Sex _____

My dog is a _____ purebred _____ crossbred

Breed _____

My dog is registered in _____ American Kennel Club _____ American Field _____ Other

My dog's age is _____ Year of Birth _____ Month _____ Day _____

_____ Unknown but estimated age _____

I assumed ownership of my dog on _____
(date)

My dog was (check all that apply) _____ Already the family dog

_____ Gift

_____ Purchased

_____ Value when purchased

_____ Where purchased
(name of kennel, breeder, animal shelter, or pound)

_____ Other (explain)

Date my project was started _____

Date my project was completed _____

Description of my dog (include size, weight, color, and other identifying characteristics of your dog)

Health Expenses (Please list all medical expenses for your dog. Include costs of medicine, veterinary services, and other health practices performed by you, your parents, or others.)

Date	Treatment or Service	Performed by	Reason for Treatment or Service	Cost	Comments	
Example: 10/1/2000	First puppy visit to vet	Dr. DVM	Puppy's first visit to vet for vaccinations and deworming	\$50.00	This was my puppy's first visit to a vet	
Total Costs						

Annual Canine Health Care Practices

Veterinarians recommend the following health care practices be done each year for your pet to achieve and maintain optimal health.

<u>VACCINATIONS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PARASITE CONTROL</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Distemper	_____	Fecal Exam	_____
Hepatitis	_____	Deworm	_____
Leptospirosis	_____	Product: _____	
Parainfluenza	_____	Heartworm Check	_____
Parvovirus	_____	Preventative: _____	
Coronavirus	_____	External Parasite Control	_____
Rabies	_____	Product: _____	
Kennel Cough	_____		
Lyme Disease	_____		
Physical Exam	_____		
Dental Prophylaxis	_____		
Blood Work	_____		

Veterinarian: _____
Clinic: _____
Address: _____

Phone _____

Miscellaneous Expenses *(List purchases other than food and health products or practices; e.g. equipment, bedding, grooming supplies, other.)*

Date	Item or Service	Reason for Item or Service	Cost	Comments
<i>Example:</i> 10/1/2000	Dog crate	Crate to house train and transport my puppy	\$50.00	My puppy is crated when I am away from home.
Total Costs				

Training Your Dog

(Check commands your dog obeys and tricks it has learned. List any additional commands, tricks, or stunts.)

Commands

- Heel on leash
- Heel off leash
- Come when called
- Sit
- Sit and stay
- Lie down
- Down and stay

Tricks

- Sit up
- Play catch
- Carry
- Fetch
- Roll over
- Jump
- Don't touch it

Did you and your dog attend a dog obedience training class?

Yes _____ No _____ Graduated _____
(date)

If you show your dog, in what way did you exhibit your dog?

Bench Show _____

Sanctioned Match _____

Obedience Trial _____

County 4-H _____

Club Tour _____

Inspection _____

Field Trial _____

Stock Dog Demonstration _____

Agility Trial _____

Other (specify) _____

Other (specify) _____

Other (specify) _____

My Project Story

(This should trace your progress through the year. List some important things you learned about your animal and yourself, your accomplishments, and improvements you need to make.)

(Add additional page if necessary)

Financial Summary

Income

Amount received for any animal(s) sold _____

Caring for other pets (page 6) _____

Show/fair premiums won (page 8) _____

Other _____

Total Income **_____**

Expenses

Cost of your project animal(s) (page 1) _____

Total feed costs (page 2) _____

Health care costs (page 3) _____

Total other expenses (page 5) _____

Total Expenses **_____**

Total Income _____

Total Expenses _____

(Total income minus total expenses)
(Circle One) **Profit or Loss** **_____**

This exercise reflects only the financial commitments you have made in caring for and loving your dog.

4-H Project Evaluation

Now that you have finished this project, it is time for you to think about what you have learned. We also would like to know what you have learned and if the project needs to be improved. Your comments will help the people write the projects. Please write answers to the following questions. Then give this form to your 4-H leader or mail it to:

**Project Evaluation
State 4-H Office
Knapp Hall, PO Box 6031
Morgantown, WV 26506-6031**

Title of Project _____

Girl Boy (circle one) Age _____ Grade in School _____ Years in 4-H _____

1. Was this your first project in this subject? _____

2. Why did you pick this project? _____

3. What was your favorite part of this project? _____

4. By doing this project, what did you learn that you didn't know before? _____

5. Did you do the activities in the project book? Why or why not? _____

6. What activities did you like doing? _____

7. How would you change this project to make it better? _____

8. Would you tell others to take this project? Why or why not? _____

9. What other 4-H projects have you taken? _____

10. If you have something else to say, write it on the back.

Dog Project Score Sheet

★ If you are taking this project without an animal, check with your Extension agent for approval. It is suggested that the Self-Determined project be used with the 4-H Cooperative Curriculum System dog project book as a resource. Consult with your Extension agent to plan your project work.

Dog Project Book

- ✓ Complete seven activities in the Dog Achievement Program of the 4-H Cooperative Curriculum System Project Book
(Each activity is worth 5 points ~ Total 35 possible points)

- ✓ Complete Planning Guide in 4-H Cooperative Curriculum System Project Book on pages 3-4
(Worth 5 points)

Dog Record Guide

(Worth 20 points)

Exhibit/Production Score *(Total 20 possible points)* ★

- ✓ This may be the actual exhibition of your animal or other designated project or service determined with your Extension agent.

Activity Record

(Worth 20 points)

Total

Comments:

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