

OREGON 4-H ANIMAL SCIENCE EXHIBITOR AGREEMENT

THIS MUST BE SIGNED AND TURNED IN TO BE ELIGIBLE TO SHOW AT COUNTY FAIR

DUE JULY 28, 2026 AT FAIR CHECK IN

This agreement applies to all 4-H members currently enrolled in animal science projects. I recognize that it is a privilege to exhibit my projects and will abide by the following guidelines:

1. I am an officially enrolled member of a Benton County 4-H Club in the state of Oregon.
2. I have owned/leased my project animal(s) prior to the required County ownership deadline. They are as follows: **April 15** for horses and **June 1** for all other animal science projects, with the exception of market rabbits & market poultry (July 1) and approved replacement animals.

The official ownership date is the date shown on the bill of sale or receipt of sale, unless the animal was bred and owned, in which case, calving or birth records will be utilized. (*Individual show rules may determine ownership requirements for non-market animals.*) Registered breeding livestock must show the exhibitor or their immediate family as the sole owner of the animal on the breed association papers or certificates. In the case of leased animals, **leases must be on file at the County Extension Office by the county ownership deadline.**

3. I will continuously own my project(s). If I sell my animal, I understand I may not repurchase the animal and continue to show it in the current project year. I may not show a market animal which has been previously sold at a county, regional, or major livestock show auction or sale in which the ownership of the animal has changed hands after the county ownership date. Showing an animal for another individual by claiming ownership in order to show in a specific livestock class or event is prohibited.
4. **To be eligible to sell animals in the Lee Allen Memorial Youth Market Auction, exhibitors shall comply with all related rules and policies. Market animals receiving a white ribbon in market classes will not be eligible to sell in the auction.**
5. I will do my own work and be responsible for the feeding and care of my animal(s).
6. My project is a reflection of my efforts. I will accept the results of judging with grace and demonstrate good sportsmanship at all times.
7. **I will represent my animal(s) honestly and will abide by all county, state and show rules. I understand that treating an animal internally or externally in any way to misrepresent the true nature of the animal is prohibited.**
8. I understand all medications administered during a fair must be under the guidance of a licensed veterinarian.
9. I agree to have my animals participate in drug testing if requested by show officials. Animals with residues of illegal drugs will be disqualified and I will be subject to repayment of any money received from the sale of that animal.
10. I will treat my animal(s) **humanely** and with **respect** and provide for their continuous well-being through proper feeding, handling, disease prevention, sanitation and attention to their safety. I know that animals showing any evidence of prolapse or mechanical repair will not be allowed in exhibition.
11. The Oregon 4-H Program reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these guidelines and to settle all matters, questions, and differences related to this agreement.

A breach of this agreement or violation of specific rules as designated by individual fairs and livestock shows may result in forfeiture of premiums and awards, disqualification, and may result in probationary status and/or loss of eligibility for current and/or future participation in organized livestock competition. **I am verifying that I have read and understand the above terms and the consequences of and penalties involved for illegal, unethical, inhumane, and unfair practices in livestock competition.**

Printed Name 4-H Member

X _____
4-H Member Signature

Date

Club

X _____
Parent/Guardian Signature

Date