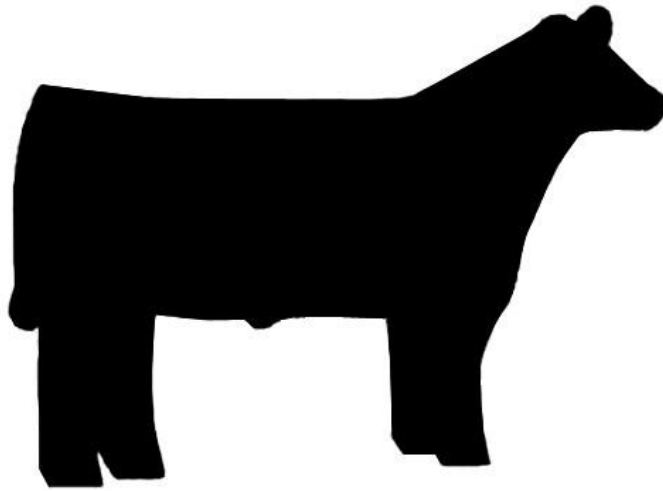




Jr. Beef

4-H Showmanship

Record Book



Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Name of 4-H Club: _____ Project Leader: _____

Years in 4-H: ____ Years in Jr. Beef Program: ____ Animal Name: _____

Record Started: _____ Record Finished: _____

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- ❖ **4-H Record Books are required for all market and Showmanship livestock projects. They must include beginning and ending photos.**
- ❖ **Record Books must be completed and turned in to the Species Chair at the September Livestock Council meeting.**

Why is your record book important? It . . .

- will aid you in learning about all aspects of raising and selling livestock
- helps you set goals for your project
- helps you plan future projects
- shows your financial decisions and outcomes
- overall, will improve your management and organizational skills
- It will be fun to look back at your book years from now... remember, this can be fun when you put all your effort into it!

Suggestions (*practices for good record keeping*)

- Consistently fill in the record book; avoid waiting until the last minute.
- Hang a calendar or note book near your animal's pen to write notes in to help you with your record book.
- Write neatly and clearly.
- Take pictures before, during and after your project is done.
- Complete your Thank You to your buyer soon after the sale.
- Have FUN and work hard!

Resources to help you learn about your project

- ❖ MSU Extension has educational materials you can check out
- ❖ The Beef Resource Handbook are available from Ohio State University at: <http://estore.osu-extension.org>
- ❖ Clinics and workshops
- ❖ Beef Learning Lab Kit available from the 4-H Steer Species Chair

4-H/Farm Bureau Livestock Record Book Awards - Instructions

To submit a Record Book for this award, be sure to include the following:

1. Table of Contents
2. Completed Record Book as listed above for the respective species
3. 200-word (minimum) story about the 4-H'er's experience with his/her 4-H project
4. Pictures (a couple of pages)
5. Any other information that the 4-H'er can share to personalize his/her learning experience.
6. Put all the information in a nice folder or notebook.
7. Typing the information is not required, but appreciated

Project Questions / Goals

1. Why did you choose to show a Jr. Beef project this year?

2. List at least 2 goals for your Jr. Beef project this year.

3. Describe your animals housing (if you borrowed a calf ask the person you borrowed from)

4. How did you prepare your Jr. Beef for show?

5. Name a breed of beef cattle; write a brief description of the breed and tell where the breed originates from. (*Choose a different breed each year.*)

6. What is the normal temperature for cattle? _____

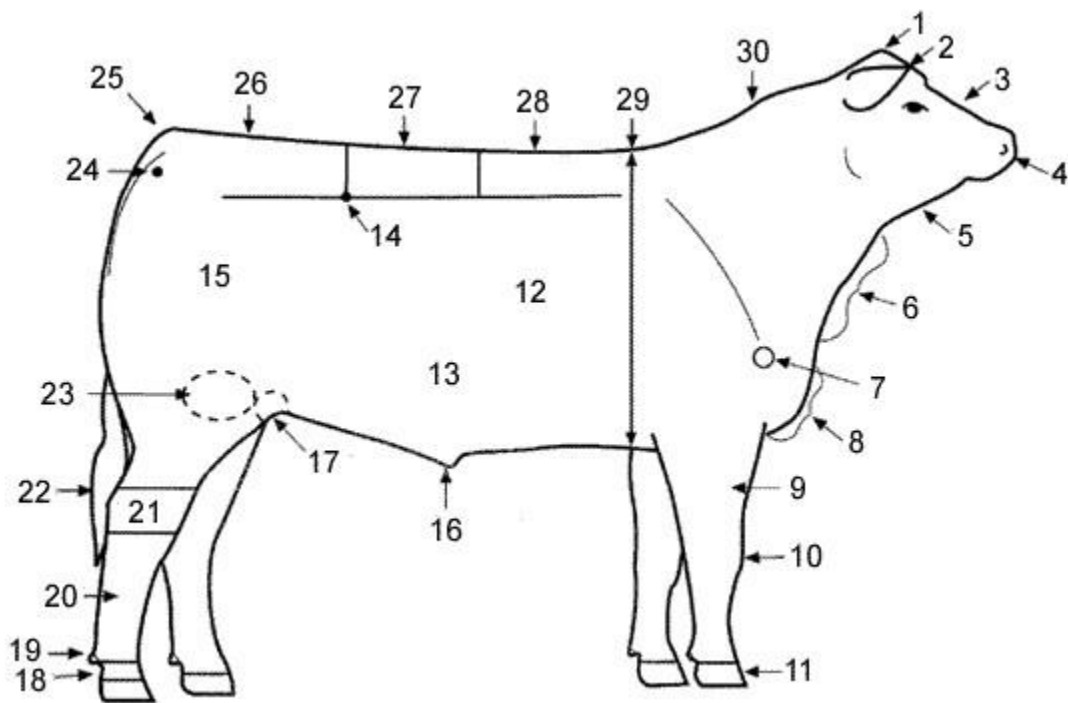
7. Did you meet your goals set for this years Project

Name the Body Parts

8–10 year old Name 10 parts

11–14 year old Name 15 Parts

15–19 years old Name All



Monthly Feed Record

Fill out if you raised your own calf

Month:	Milk Replacer (lbs.)	Milk Replacer Cost	Grain (lbs.)	Grain Cost	Hay (by the bale)	Hay Cost
January						
February						
March						
April						
May						
June						
July						
August						
Totals:						

Project Pictures

Pictures are a required part of this Record Book. Taking pictures of your Jr. Beef throughout the project will show you how your Jr. Beef has grown and developed. Remember, pictures are better when you are in the picture. Add additional pictures on separate piece of paper.

FIRST PHOTO



ENDING PHOTO

