



Project Book Page Requirements

Revised 4/17/2025 to include Swine changes.

No other submitted revisions for 2025.

In order for a project book to be considered complete, specific pages must be complete based on the species and youth's experience level. New project books must be bought each year for all animal projects. All books must be signed by the Project Leader/Advisor *upon their completion*.

Beef Projects (Updated in 2022)

PROJECT LEVELS ALIGN WITH SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES—

Beginner (1st year in 4-H, first year taking a beef project or ages 8-11 as of January 1st)

Intermediate (ages 12-15 as of January 1st with experience)

Advanced (ages 16 or older as of January 1st with experience)

Market Steer Project Book (117M) and Beef Feeder Project Book (117BF)

The following pages must be completed in the book. 5 pts will be deducted for incomplete books at skillathon.

- **Pages 4 & 5** - All levels must complete. *(Date requirements: Beef breeding – May 1; Market Steer – 1st Sat. in Dec.; beef feeder – 1st Sat. in May.)*
- **Page 7** – Beginners complete 1 goal; Intermediate complete 2 goals; Advances complete 3 goals *(including all objectives with each goal as well as project helper initials)*
- **Pages 8 & 9** – All levels complete 1 Topic of Interest *(can be handwritten or typed)*
- **Pages 10 & 11** – All levels complete at least 5 Learning Activities that are level appropriate. *(include date completed and helper initials)*
- **Pages 12 & 13** – All levels complete at least 2 Learning Experiences. *(include date completed and helper initials)*
- **Pages 14 & 15** – All levels complete at least 2 Leadership & Citizenship activities. *(include date completed and helper initials)*



- **Pages 17** – All levels must complete. *(make sure at least 1 parent, guardian or helper signs in addition to member)*
- **Pages 18 & 19** – All levels must complete.
- **Page 21** – All levels must complete. *(complete questions and chart)*
- **Page 23** – All levels must complete.
- **Page 24** – All levels must complete. *(attach feed label or list all the ingredients in your feed)*
- **Page 26** – Intermediate & Advanced must complete. *(must circle yes or no and answer question if necessary)*
- **Page 27** – All levels must complete. *(end of project as of July 1)*
- **Pages 28 & 29** – All levels must complete.
- **Pages 30 & 31** – All levels must complete. *(sketch out your animal's pen)*
- **Page 32** – Intermediate & Advanced levels must complete.
- **Pages 34 & 35** – All levels must complete *(must attach photos of your own animal- no drawings or magazine photos accepted. If you have multiple beef animals – include all beef animals. Answer 2 questions- end of project as of July 1. End of project picture – any picture taken after July 1)*
- **Page 36** – All levels – *(only need to complete animal information and date obtained columns.)*
- **Page 37** – All levels must complete – *(can be printed from computer and taped in.)*
- **Page 46** – All levels must complete. *(You can use scale or tape to get weight.)*
- **Page 49** – All levels must complete. *(If you have never treated your animal – be sure to note it) (can be printed from computer or app records and attached)*
- **Page 59** – All levels must complete. *(if you have no management practices – be sure to note it) (can be printed from computer or app records and attached)*

Beef Breeding Project Book 117B

- All pages listed above for Market Steers & Beef Feeders as well as:
- **Page 38** – All levels must complete. *(If registered - can attach photocopies of pedigree)*
- **Page 39** – All levels must complete.
- **Page 40** – All levels must complete.
- **Page 41** – Intermediate and Advanced must complete.



If you use the 4-H Livestock APP or a computer program – you can print reports and attach them in your book. *Updated 11/2021 kk*

Cheese Basket Projects (no changes from 2013)

- 4-H Dairy Cow Project Book (126)
 1. Participant must complete all pages required for their Dairy Cow/Production Project
 2. p. 42 Lactation Curve
 3. p. 43 Management Notes
 4. p. 40-41 Milk Production Records
- Dairy Resource Handbook (127R)
 - * Chapters 7,8,10, 11 & 12 will support the participant's skill-a-thon information
- Learning about Dairy (125R)
 - * Pages 28-50 will support the participant's skill-a-thon
- Science Fun with Dairy Foods (490)
 - * This resource will contain educational material to support the skill-a-thon.

Dairy Beef Feeder Projects

Beginner –first year taking a dairy beef project or ages 8-10 as of January 1st

Intermediate – ages 11-13 as of January 1st

Advanced – ages 14 or older as of January 1st

Dairy Beef Feeder Project Book 117DF

Page 7 - Beginners: 1 Goal; Intermediate: 2 Goals; Advanced 3 Goals

Page 10 – All levels must complete their own section.

Page 17 – All levels must complete.

Page 18 – Beginner level must complete.

Page 19 – All levels must complete.

Pages 20 & 21 – Intermediate & Advanced levels must complete.

Page 23 – Beginner level must complete.

Page 24 – All levels must complete.

Page 26 – Advanced level must complete.

Pages 28, 29 & 30 – All levels must complete.

Pages 31 & 32 – Intermediate & Advanced levels must complete.

Page 53 – All levels must complete up to July 1st.

Page 56 – All levels must complete.



Page 59 – All levels must complete and explain the overall experience with raising the animal (not just the costs).

Dairy Steer Projects (no changes)

Beginner – first year in 4-H, first year taking a dairy steer project or ages 8-10 as of January 1st

Intermediate – ages 11-13 as of January 1st or with some experience

Advanced – ages 14 or older as of January 1st

Market Beef Project Book 117M

Page 7 Beginner – 1 goal, Intermediate – 2 goals, Advanced – 3 goals

Pages 10-15 – All levels must complete.

Pages 17-19 – All levels must complete.

Pages 20 & 21 – Advanced level must complete.

Page 23 – Intermediate & Advanced must complete.

Pages 31 & 32 – Intermediate & Advanced must complete.

Page 35 – All levels must complete.

Pages 53 & 54 – All levels must complete.

Pages 56-58 – All levels must complete.

Dairy Projects (no changes)

Beginner: 1 & 2 years of project experience

Intermediate: 3 to 5 years of project experience

Advanced: 6 or more years of project experience

Member Project Guide (Book 122 or 126)

1. Topic of Interest - All project levels must complete.
2. Project Learning Activities – Follow project level requirements listed in project books.
3. Project Learning Experiences - All project levels must complete.
4. Leadership and citizenship Activities - All project levels must complete.

Quality Assurance

5. Project Pictures – Optional for all levels.
6. Medication Labels and Inserts – Required for Intermediate level
7. Treatment Record Activities – Required for Advanced level
8. Feed Tag Activities - All project levels must complete.
9. Drug Residue Testing – Optional for all levels.
10. Practice Healthy Herd Management - All project levels must complete.
11. My Animal's Pen – Optional for all levels.
12. Planning for the Care of Your Animal - All project levels must complete.
13. Quality Assurance Quiz – All project levels completing the dairy cow project



book must complete.

Animal Records

14. Animal Inventory and Identification – Optional for all levels.
15. Equipment Inventory – Optional for all levels.
16. Growth Record Activities (dairy heifer book) – Optional for all levels.
17. Breeding Record – Required for Intermediate and Advanced levels.
18. Milk Production Record – Must be completed by members taking Cheese Basket Project.
19. Lactation Curve Activity - Must be completed by members taking Cheese Basket Project.
20. Management Notes - All project levels must complete.
21. Dairy Treatment Record – Optional for all levels.
22. Estimated Project Budget – Optional for all levels.
23. Miscellaneous Income Record – Optional for all levels.
24. Feed Expense Record – Optional for all levels.
25. Miscellaneous Expense Record - Optional for all levels.
26. Profit or Loss Statement - Optional for all levels.
27. Caring for Animals – All project levels must complete.
28. Show Ring Ethics – All levels must complete.

Lamb Projects (no changes)

Beginners: 1st – 3rd year in the project

Intermediate: 4th, 5th or 6th year in the project

Advanced: 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th or 11th year in the project

Market Lamb Project Book 198

Pages 3 & 4 - All levels must complete.

Page 5-11 – All levels must complete their own section.

Pages 12 -14 – All levels must complete at least two (2) Learning Experiences and two (2) Leadership/Citizenship Activities.

Page 18 – Beginner level must complete.

Pages 20 & 21 – All levels must complete.

Page 22 – Intermediate & Advanced levels must complete.

Pages 23 – Beginner level must complete.

Page 24 – All levels must complete.

Page 26 – Intermediate & Advanced levels must complete.

Page 27 – All levels must complete.

Pages 28 – Advanced level must complete.

Page 29 – All levels must complete.

Page 32 – All levels must complete.



Pages 33-37 – Intermediate & Advanced levels must complete.

Market Goat Projects (unchanged)

Beginner – first year in 4-H, first year taking a goat project

Intermediate – second or third year taking a market goat project

Advanced – fourth year or over taking a market goat project

Goat Project Book 135M

Read pages 1-4

All youth must complete new goals every year and pages 4-18, 27, 28, 30-38, 50, and 52-56

Intermediate must also complete – pages 19-26, 29, 45-49, and 57

Advanced youth must also complete – pages 19-26, 29, 45-49, 50 and 57

Dairy Goat Projects (unchanged)

Beginner – first year in 4-H, first year taking a goat project

Intermediate – 2nd or 3rd year with some experience

Advanced – 4th year or over

Goat Project Book 135D

Beginner

Read pages 1-6

Complete pages 7-9, pages 10 & 11, pages 12 & 13 (Plan to do at least 2 learning experiences), pages 16-21, 25-27, 32-34 in Quality Assurance section and pages 35-38.

Read pages 45-47

Complete pages 48-56 (Fill pages in where it applies to you and your animal)

Intermediate

Look over pages 1-5

Complete pages 6 & 7 (set goals), pages 8 & 9 (pick a new topic), pages 10 & 11, pages 12 & 13 (do 2 different ones than last year), and pages 14 & 15.

Complete all Quality Assurance pages (pg. 16-34)

Complete pages 35-38

Complete pages 39 & 40 if you breed your goat Pages 41-43 if your goat had babies and is milking

Read pages 45-47



Complete pages 48-56 where it applies to your animals

Advanced

Look over pages 1-5

Complete pages 6 & 7 (setting new goals), pages 8 & 9 (again do a new topic), pages 10 & 11, pages 12 & 13 (do 2 more different ones than in years past), pages 14 & 15 (do a different activity than in past)

Complete all Quality Assurance pages (pg. 16-34)

Complete pages 35-38 and pages 39-44

Read pages 45-47

Do pages 48-57 for each goat

Poultry Projects

150 CE Chicken, Exhibition (Fancy)

150 CM Chicken, Market

150 CEP Chicken, Egg Production: Hens and Pullets

150 DE Ducks, Exhibition

150 DM Ducks, Market

150 GE Goose, Exhibition

150 GM Goose, Market

150 TE Turkey, Exhibition (Fancy)

150 TM Turkey, Market

150 H Helmeted Guineas Fowl

365 All poultry self-determined projects (judged at General Projects judging)

ALL pages are required to be done and books brought with you to showmanship. Showmanship is on show day of fair. Youth taking more than one poultry project need only to purchase one project record book per year. Copies of additional pages may be found at www.ashtabula.osu.edu.

- 150 CE Chicken, Exhibition (Fancy)
Pages: 4,5,6,7,9,10,11,12*,16*,18,19,20,21,22*,23*,24*& 25
- 150 CM Chicken, Market
Pages: 4,5,6,7,9,10,11,12*,13,14,15*,18,19,20,22*,23,24* & 25
- 150 CEP Chicken, Egg Production: Hens and Pullets
Pages: 4,5,6,7,9,10,11,12*,16*,17,18,19,20,21,22*,23*,24*& 25
- 150 DE Ducks, Exhibition
Pages: 4,5,6,7,9,10,11,12*,16*,18,19,20,21,22*,23*,24*& 25
- 150 DM Ducks, Market



Pages: 4,5,6,7,9,10,11,12*,13,14,15*,18,19,20,22*,23,24* & 25

- 150 GE Goose, Exhibition

Pages: 4,5,6,7,9,10,11,12*,16*,18,19,20,21,22*,23*,24*& 25

- 150 TE Turkey, Exhibition (Fancy)

Pages: 4,5,6,7,9,10,11,12*,16*,18,19,20,21,22*,23*,24*& 25

- 150 TM Turkey, Market

Pages: 4,5,6,7,9,10,11,12*,13,14,15*,18,19,20,22*,23,24* & 25

- 150 H Helmeted Guineas Fowl

Pages: 4,5,6,7,9,10,11,12*,16*,18,19,20,21,22*,23*,24*& 25

- 365 All poultry self-determined projects

* Pages explanations:

12: If at any point you give medication or a health product to a bird in your flock then this page needs to be filled out.

15: Make sure you obtain the weight of your chicks at time of obtaining your chicks, poults and/or ducklings.

16: If at any point you are hatching and brooding chicks for your project then your records should be placed on this page.

22 & 23: If at any point during your project you obtain income pertaining to your project birds then it should be recorded on this page.

24: Estimate the income you think you will get at MAC sale.

Cavy Projects (no changes)

All levels must complete pages: 4-27, 31, and 34-40.

Breeding (sow & litter) projects must also complete pages: 28-30.



Rabbit Projects

Breeding/Showing Rabbit Project Book Page Requirements:

- A. Exhibitors in Grades 3-5 must complete pages: 1-12, 35-49 & all pages in the Record Book Section pages 50-66 (if a certain record chart is not applicable to your project, write in N/A).
- B. Exhibitors in Grades 6-8 must complete pages: 1-4, 13-21, 35-49 & all pages in the Record Book Section pages 50-66 (if a certain record chart is not applicable to your project, write in N/A).
- C. Exhibitors in Grades 9 and beyond must complete pages: 1-4, 22-49 & all pages in the Record Book Section pages 50-66 (if a certain record chart is not applicable to your project, write in N/A).

Market Rabbit Project Book Page Requirements:

- A. Exhibitors in Grades 3-5 must complete pages: 1-10, 23-37 & all pages in the Record Book Section pages 38-58 (if a certain record chart is not applicable to your project, write in N/A).
- B. Exhibitors in Grades 6-8 must complete pages: 1-4, 11-16, 23-37 & all pages in the Record Book Section pages 38-58 (if a certain record chart is not applicable to your project, write in N/A).
- C. Exhibitors in Grades 9 and beyond must complete pages: 1-4, 17-37 & all pages in the Record Book Section pages 38-58 (if a certain record chart is not applicable to your project, write in N/A).

Pet Rabbit Project Book Page Requirements:

- A. Exhibitors in Grades 3-5 must complete pages: 1-11, 28-41 & all pages in the Record Book Section pages 42-56 (if a certain record chart is not applicable to your project, write in N/A).
- B. Exhibitors in Grades 6-8 must complete pages: 1-4, 12-19, 28-41 & all pages in the Record Book Section pages 42-56 (if a certain record chart is not applicable to your project, write in N/A).
- C. Exhibitors in Grades 9 and beyond must complete pages: 1-4, 19-41 & all pages in the Record Book Section pages 42-56 (if a certain record chart is not applicable to your project, write in N/A).

Swine Projects (updated 2025)

Market Hog Project Book 139

Everyone will do pages 2- 14 and then all the pages marked Market Hog (MA) from page 15 to the end of the book.

Beginners are members in grades 3, 4, & 5 or those in their first year of pigs.



Intermediate are members in grades 6, 7, & 8 Advanced are members 9th grade and up.

Dog Projects: Dog Project Book 201(updated for 2018)

Beginner (1-2 years in the project) Pages: 4-5, 7-8, 10-19, 22-23, 25-36.

Intermediate (3-4 years in the project) Pages: 4-5, 7-8, 10-19, 22-23, 25-36.

Advanced (5+ years in the project) Pages: 4-5, 7-8, 10-19, 22-23, 25-36.

Large & Small Equine (see Guidelines)

Llama & Alpaca Projects (no changes)

Beginner – first year in 4-H, first year taking a llama or alpaca project or ages 8-10 as of January 1st

Intermediate – ages 11-13 as of January 1st or with some experience

Advanced – ages 14 or older as of January 1st

Llama and Alpaca Project Book 132

Read pages 1-6

Page 7 – Beginners complete 1 goal; Intermediate complete 2 goals; Advanced complete 3 goals

Pages 8 & 9- All levels must complete.

Pages 10 & 11 – All levels complete 5 Learning activities that are level appropriate.

Pages 12 & 13 – All levels complete at least 2 Learning Experiences.

Pages 14 & 15 – All levels complete at least 2 Leadership & Citizenship activities.

Pages 16 – 19 – All levels must complete.

Page 20 – Intermediate & Advanced levels must complete.

Page 23 – All levels must complete.

Page 24 – Must be complete for all levels if the animal was bred.

Pages 25 – 29 – All levels must complete.

Pages 31 – 35 – May be completed if applicable by all levels.