



Barry County 4-H Market Rabbit Notebook

Name: _____

Name of 4-H Club: _____

Project Leader Name: _____ Years in project: _____

Market journals are required for all market rabbit entries. Market journals must be presented by the exhibitor for judging at the fair. Failure to complete a market journal for judging will disqualify the member from exhibiting at the Barry County Fair.

This record is a part of your 4-H market rabbit project work. By keeping records up-to-date, you will be able to see how much progress you make as you set goals and work to accomplish them. Type or write neat and clearly. Your journal should be displayed in a 3-ring binder or report cover that contains only this year's journals. Feel free to add extra pages!

Project pictures

- ✓ *Pictures are required part of this journal. Taking pictures of your project animal(s) throughout the project will indicate how your animal(s) have grown and developed.*
- ✓ *Remember, pictures are nicer when the 4-H'er is in the picture. Add pictures to your journal on a separate piece of paper.*

Information can be found from the following sources:

- STANDARD OF PERFECTION
- AMERICAN RABBIT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION
- MSU RABBITS TRACKS
- DOMESTIC RABBIT GUIDE
- OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
- KANSAS STATE EXTENSION

The Rabbit and Cavy Developmental Committee encourages 4-H Leader & parent assistance. If you have questions, call the Resource person for rabbit notebooks, posters and educational exhibits in the fair book or the Extension Office.

The market notebook fulfills the educational requirement for fair. You are not required to complete a regular educational notebook or educational exhibit if you are exhibiting a market project.

*Developed by the Barry County Rabbit & Cavy Developmental Committee
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Purchased and Homegrown Market Notebook Requirements

- Decorative Cover
- Guidelines and current year's work only
- 4-H Story- tell about you and your project
- Tell about an interesting experience (i.e., breeding problem(s)) that you had during this year's project.
- Educational item: One per year according to your age (Do not repeat topics within age group)
 - Ages 9-11:
 - Label the parts of the rabbit using the illustration in this packet
 - Every year choose a market breed of rabbit : Describe and tell the important characteristics. Include origin, breed standard and uses.
 - Every year members pick one disease, ailment, condition, health issue describing the issue and how to prevent or treat it.
 - Ages 12-18
 - Label the skeletal system and muscular systems included in this packet.
 - Every year choose a market breed of rabbit : Describe and tell the important characteristics. Include origin, breed standard and uses.
 - Every year members pick one disease, ailment, condition, health issue describing the issue and how to prevent or treat it.
 - Participants need to research one topic from the list below every year (depth of research should increase with age along with picking a different topic each year and should not be cut & pasted/copied from source). Write a short paper on the topic of your choice.

Ideas: butchering, rabbit recipes, market topics/terms, housing, breeding conditions, the uses of rabbits, Feed types- (anything market/ rabbit related)

Market Unit: Complete market information sheets attached to this packet

Pictures- of you and your market unit(s)

Purchased only- Bill of Sale REQUIRED

Project information

Homegrown rabbit(s): The start date of the project will be the day the doe is bred. The end of the project will be weigh in at fair.

Purchased rabbit(s): The start of the project will be the date the rabbit(s) are in your possession. The end of the project will be weigh in at fair.

Your journal figures can include all rabbits kindled or purchased for this project, not just the ones that actually go to fair.

Project Start Date _____

Project End Date _____

The doe(s) were bred on: _____

The doe(s) kindled on: _____

For purchased unit(s), date purchased: _____

Barry County 4-H Purchase Market Rabbit Bill of Sale

Year: _____

Date Purchased: _____

Number of rabbits purchased: _____

DOB: _____

Exhibitor's Name: _____

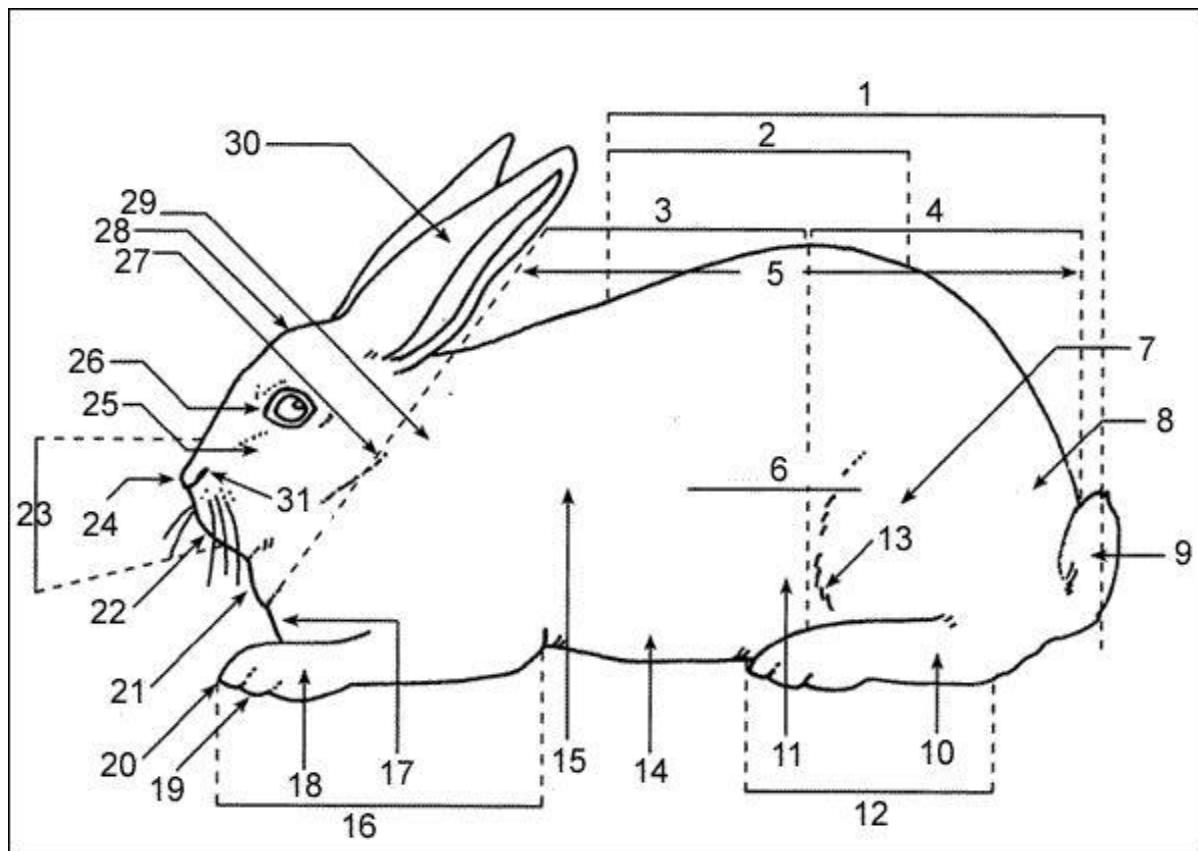
Exhibitor's Signature: _____

Seller's Name: _____

Seller's Signature: _____

This form must be completed, brought to market tattooing, and included in your notebook.

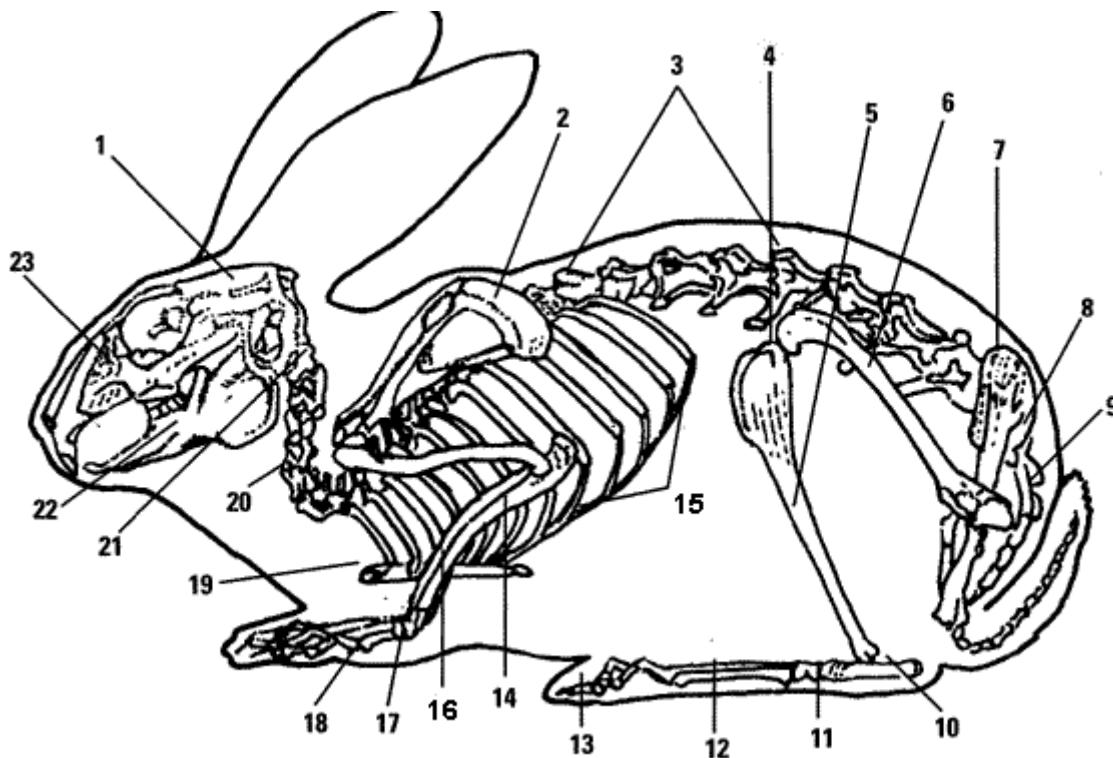
LABEL THE PARTS OF A RABBIT (9-11)



1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
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11. _____
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22. _____
23. _____
24. _____
25. _____
26. _____
27. _____
28. _____
29. _____
30. _____

LABEL THE SKELETAL SYSTEM OF A RABBIT (12-18)



Picture from Geauga County 4-H rabbit skill-a-thon study guide

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____

16. _____
17. _____
18. _____
19. _____
20. _____
21. _____
22. _____
23. _____

Market Rabbit Monthly Feed Record & Expenses (all ages)

Month	Type of feed used - What are the ingredients (not just % of protein).	lbs. of feed used for the month	Cost of feed used for the month
December			
January			
February			
March			
April			
May			
June			
July			

Total cost of the feed _____

Market Rabbit Expenses other than Feed (all ages)

Items	April	May	June	July
Medical Fees				
Fair Fees (manure & Ins)				
Any other expenses* or supplies (please list)				
Monthly Totals \$				

*With explanation

Total expenses other than feed _____

Homegrown
Market Production Record (all ages)

- Roaster
- Fryer

Roasters are weighed weekly starting April 1st.

Fryers are weighed weekly starting at birth.

Week	Weight of Litter	Amount of Feed
Sample	4.2, 4.2, 4.2, 4.3	70 ounces total
Week 1		
Week 2		
Week 3		
Week 4		
Week 5		
Week 6		
Week 7		
Week 8		
Week 9		
Week 10		
Week 11		
Week 12		

Purchased
Market Production Record (all ages)

- Roaster
- Stewer

Stewers and Roasters are weighed weekly starting April 1st. OR
purchased date - Must be in the possession of the 4-H member by
May 1st.

Week	Weight of Litter	Amount of Feed
Sample	4.2, 4.2, 4.2, 4.3	70 ounces total
Week 1		
Week 2		
Week 3		
Week 4		
Week 5		
Week 6		
Week 7		
Week 8		
Week 9		
Week 10		
Week 11		
Week 12		