

4-H Dairy Lease

I. PURPOSE OF THE LEASE

- a. The purpose of this lease agreement is to provide additional positive learning experiences for the 4-H member that would have otherwise been unavailable.
- b. To provide a youth with the opportunity of participating in the 4-H Dairy program when one or more of the following conditions exists:
 - i. The 4-H member does not have a suitable long care opportunity.
 - ii. The family is unable to purchase a dairy animal.
- c. **The lease is to be in place by project possession deadline (June 15)** and be in effect until the end of the project. Only one youth is permitted to lease an individual animal per project year.

Leasing market animals for youth exhibition projects is not permitted under any circumstances.

II. RULES FOR LESSORS (Owner of Animal) OF DAIRY TO 4-H YOUTH

- a. The Lessor (owner) of the dairy animal relinquishes all rights to train the animal, and the Lessee has priority right to show the dairy animal during the term of the lease. Potential Lessors should not lease dairy animals they want to show on a regular basis during the term of the lease.
- b. The Lessor may not take the dairy animal back prior to the end of the lease unless the youth is neglecting or abusing the animal, or the youth agrees to return the animal.
- c. The Lessor should have the youth sign whatever agreements they decide upon regarding care of the animal, but no agreement will supersede the terms of this contract.
- d. The Lessor will allow the Lessee to transport and show the animal in 4-H, open, or breed shows.
- e. If animal remains on Lessor's property during the lease, the Lessor agrees to:
 - i. Cooperate with the Lessee in scheduling times to allow the member to work with/care for the animal(s) on the Lessor's property.
 - ii. Help the Lessee better understand the dairy industry.
 - iii. Teach the Lessee proper techniques in dairy animal care.

III. RULES FOR LESSEES (4-H Member)

- a. The Lessee (4-H Member) is responsible for the daily care of the animal in whatever manner decided upon by them and the Lessor. However, this must include major responsibility and performance by the Lessee for this care.
- b. Lessee will treat animal in a careful and proper manner, including feeding, stabling, transporting, veterinary attention as may be required, and will not permit animal to be mistreated by another.
- c. Lessee will not breed animal without the written permission on the Lessor.
- d. Lessee shall assume and pay all debts incurred for the care, feeding, stabling, veterinary services, and all other expenses during the term of the lease, unless written approval of said expense is prior thereto obtained from the Lessor.
- e. Showing expenses will be the responsibility of the Lessee.
- f. The Lessee is responsible to take this completed contract to the County 4-H Educator by the date required in your county for their approval. **(June 15, current year.)**

IV. DESCRIPTION OF DAIRY ANIMAL – Attach color photo of animal in space provided.

Name: _____ Tag Number: _____

Breed: _____ Sex: _____ Age: _____

Color: _____ Markings: _____

Distinguishing Marks (scars, unique colorings, etc.): _____

ATTACH PHOTOS HERE

Lessor (Owner)

Name: _____
(*print*)

Address: _____

City: _____

Date: _____ (*dd/mm/yyyy*)

Signature: _____

Lessee (4-H Member)

Name: _____
(*print*)

Address: _____

City: _____

Date: _____ (*dd/mm/yyyy*)

Signature: _____

This lease has been approved by:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____
(*dd/mm/yyyy*)