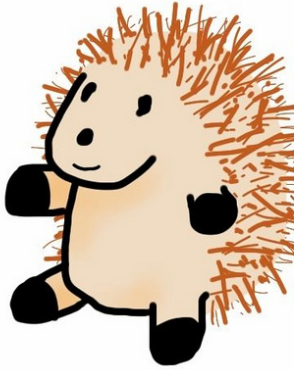# White County

4-H

Small Animal Project

Name_____ **Grade**_____

Small Animal Project Level_____

Year in 4-H Work_____ **Year in Project**_____

Club_____

SMALL ANIMALS (Pocket Pets)
State Fair Entries: None

Small Animals are household pets normally housed in a cage. Excluded are animals that may be exhibited in another White County 4-H Livestock Project. Excluded are animals that may be exhibited in another White County 4-H Livestock Project. **NOTE:** Check with your veterinarian to see if any health requirements need to be met to exhibit your Small Animal. Note: Exhibitors must have a completed "Certificate of Vaccination for the 4-H Ferret Project" (4-H 902) in order to exhibit ferrets at the Small Animal Show.

Project Completion Requirements
1. Enroll in White County 4-H.
2. Enroll in the 4-H Small Animal Project by May 15.
3. Own and care for at least one small animal of your choice for at least 3 months prior to the White County 4-H Fair.
4. Turn in completed Small Animal (Pocket Pets) Project Activity Manual with Leader's signature at the **White County Extension Office by 4:00 p.m., July 1ˢᵗ**. Members complete at least 3 activities from the Small Animals (Pocket Pets) Project Activity manuals each year and have activities dated (with the year) and initialed by their adult helper. Members enroll in Small Animals by grade in current school year: Level 1, grades 3-5; Level 2, grades 6-8; Level 3, grades 9-12.
5. Fair Entry must be completed by midnight July 1ˢᵗ online at https://fairentry.com.

Project Exhibition Requirements
1. Meet the above project completion requirements.
2. To exhibit at White Co. 4-H Fair, Small Animal members follow established "Exhibition Regulations for White County 4-H" as listed in Handbook.
3. Exhibit any combination of live animals, a poster, and/or present an action demo detailing some aspect of the 4-H Small Animal project. The poster and action demo exhibit options may be in place of or in addition to live small animal exhibit. See White Co. 4-H Fairbook (released in June) for check-in times for non-live animal exhibits.
4. To exhibit live small animals:
   a) Bring your animal(s) to the White County 4-H Fair Small Animal Show. See White Co. 4-H Fairbook (released in June) for show date and time.
   b) If you cannot bring your animal to the exhibit in its actual cage, bring a picture of the animal in its actual cage with your animal to the exhibit.
   c) In each division a member may exhibit up to two entries in one year. Each entry will be in a separate cage.
5. The White County Ag. Association reserves the right to examine and/or test any 4-H animal exhibit... See General 4-H Livestock Rules in this Handbook for details.

Live Animal Divisions:

All Levels – Exhibit 1 or 2 animals of the same species.

References: NCR-511 "Pet Pals" Level 1 Manual; NCR-512 "Scurrying Ahead" Level 2 Manual; NCR-513 "Scaling the Heights" Level 3 Manual; NCR-514 "Pet Group Activity Guide" Project Helper's Guide.

NOTE: Live animal project judging will be based on these four points:
   a. Health and Appearance of the Animal (25 points)
   b. Housing for the Animal (25 points)
   c. Exhibitor's Knowledge of the Animal (25 points)
   d. Completion of the Small Animal Project Record Sheet and "Pocket Pets" Activity Manual (25 points)

White County 4-H
SMALL ANIMAL RECORD SHEET

Name_____ Grade_____ Year_____

4-H Club_____ Year in Project_____ Year in 4-H_____

4-H Member Signature_____ Date_____

4-H Leader Signature_____ Date_____

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR SMALL ANIMAL

What kind (species) of Small Animal do you own and care for?_____

What is his/her name?_____ Sex: Male_____ Female_____

Write a short description of your small animal. _____

My small animal is owned by: Me_____ My Family____ Date of Possession_____ Date Project Started _____
<center>(no later than May 15)</center>

SMALL ANIMAL EXPENSE RECORD - List all items of expense in keeping your Small Animal. Some items such as food or bedding that are purchased weekly, bi-monthly, etc. may need to be recorded each time purchased on separate paper and the totals transferred to your record sheet.

The following are expenses for my Small Animal Project started on _____ (date) and ending on _____ (date of County Fair Show). Members who have taken this project previously may begin their record keeping from the County Fair last year. New project members may begin their record from January 1, date of possession, or no later than May 15 of this year.

ITEM	DATE OF PURCHASE	QUANTITY	COST
Animal(s)			
Cage/Fish Tank/House			
Water Bottle			
Bowls/Dishes			
Toys: i.e. Exercise Wheel			
List:			
Bedding			
Feed			
Miscellaneous: i.e. mineral block, veterinary expense, nail clippers, fish tank rocks or plants, etc.			
List:			
	TOTAL COST:		