

## Other Animals: POCKET PETS

**STATE FAIR ENTRY:** No

**EXHIBIT BY:** Animal Category. Project manuals only are by grade. All \* items must come to animal check-in.

Division	Project Book	Record Sheet	Certification of Vaccination
Beginner (grades 3 - 5)	BU-06359	PP1-12/11*	needed for ferrets - 4H 902-W*
Intermediate (grades 6 - 8)	BU-06360	PP2-12/11*	
Advanced (grades 9 - 12)	BU-06361	PP3-12/11**	
Complete 3 activities in your project book each year.			



**JUDGING TIME:** Tuesday, July 20 at 7:30 a.m. Check in your pet on Tuesday, July 20 between 7:00 and 7:15 a.m. Judging will take place in the Learning Center inside the 4-H Building.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

This project will include gerbils, hamsters, guinea pigs, rats, mice, chinchilla and ferrets only.

**GENERAL RULES:**

1. All pocket pets must be in the possession and care of the 4-H'er by May 15 of the current year.
2. These animals will not be allowed to sell in the auction.
3. Animals must be brought in their own cage and the member will need to furnish all other supplies needed for showing.
4. All animals must have a source of water during the show.
5. Animals will return home immediately following judging.
6. All questions should be directed to the Project Leader. Protest guidelines are outlined on page 19.

**RECORDS:**

1. 4-H'ers are required to do 3 activities in the record book and then record the activities on the record sheet.

**EXHIBIT:**

1. Member may exhibit a maximum of two animals as mentioned above.
2. The pet will be judged on the following areas:
  - A. general health and appearance;
  - B. cleanliness, grooming;
  - C. handling (by the 4-H'er);
  - D. exhibitor's knowledge of the animal; and
  - E. cage design and condition.
3. All livestock shown at the Carroll County 4-H Fair must be shown by a Carroll County 4-H member. A 4-H'er must show his/her own animal as designated on enrollment papers unless permission is obtained at least 24 hours prior to the show from the Project Leader.
4. **Do NOT bring an animal that cannot be handled.**