

117 Beef Project & Record Book Project Book Judging Guidelines

Filling out record books can be confusing but take your time and read each page of the Beef Project and Record Book completely and you will do just fine. Remember keeping good records is hard and is not learned in one year.

Make sure to include your project helper, 4-H advisor, and parents in filling out the book. They are there to help and guide you **not do the work for you**. When filling out the book take a good look at page 10 to see what level you are at. This will help you in determining some of the pages you have to complete based on your level. You are not required to fill in any areas that state End of Project, Looking Back, Ending Weights, Closing Animal Inventory, or totals before book grading, but you are **highly encouraged** to complete those after your animal has been sold or it is the end of the project year.

You should start your records when you purchase your animal or at the required possession date. For Market beef that would be December Weigh-in, Feeder calves June 1 and Beef Breeding May 1.

Listed below are the pages that you are required to complete for each project. If you are taking more than one animal, **each animal should have records completed in the book**. Example: if you are taking a steer and feeder calf you must show records for both animals to get credit for completing the book. Those are two separate projects and should have two separate records. Both records can be done in the same book. Feel free to add your own computerized pages and save those sales receipts. If there is a page that does not apply to your project, write on the page that does not apply to your project, so the book grader knows you read the page.

Beef Breeding

- 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18-19, 21,23,
- 24 (if you mix your own feed write in ingredients)
- 27, 28-29, 30, 31, 32
- 34- 35 (can do either page, but need picture of each animal you are taking not a drawing)
- 36, 37, 38
- 39-40 (Do if you are an intermediate or Advanced)
- 41, 44-45, 46, 47, 49
- 51(if you are a beginner) 52 (if you are intermediate or advanced)
- 53-54 (need to be done for each animal you are taking)
- 55, 56, 57, 58, 59-60
- 61 (staple your receipts on this page)

Feeder Calf (Dairy & Beef)

- 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18-19, 21, 23,
- 24 (if you mix your own feed write in ingredients)
- 27, 28-29, 30, 31, 32
- 34- 35 (can do either page, but need picture of each animal you are taking not a drawing)
- 36, 37
- 44-45, 46, 47, 49
- 51(if you are a beginner) 52 (if you are intermediate or advanced)
- 53-54 (need to be done for each animal you are taking)
- 55, 56, 57, 58, 59-60
- 61 (staple your receipts on this page)

Market Beef

- 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18-19, 21, 23,
- 24 (if you mix your own feed write in ingredients)
- 25, 26, 27, 28-29, 30, 31, 32
- 34- 35 (can do either page, but need picture of each animal you are taking not a drawing)
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- 44-45, 46, 47, 49
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