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PROJECT ANIMAL AGREEMENT PROVISIONS FOR 4-H Animal Science PROJECT

***** Agreement must be submitted by June 15 of the project year unless it is a Market Animal which is April 15 or June 1 for Equine*****

This is an agreement between the owner _____ of the animal _____ (name of animal), and the 4-H family _____ (name of member's parents/guardians), as parents of guardians of _____ (4-H Member name(s)), for the purpose of contracting said animal for the period of _____(starting date) through _____ (termination date) for use as a 4-H Animal Science project. All parties agree that:

1. The animal is to be of good health as attested by a veterinary examination health certificate received prior to June 15 except for market animals which is April 15 and June 1 for Equine, and that the expense of such examinations are to be borne by the owner.
2. The animal is to receive during the months of _____ vaccinations for Eastern/Western Equine Encephalitis, tetanus, rabies and other such preventative medications as herein noted:

_____ (Owner or 4-H Member)

3. The animal is to be treated for internal parasites employing the products and procedures as outlined below, and at the intervals so indicated, throughout the course of this agreement:

_____ (Owner or 4-H Member) during the period of this agreement.

4. The member will care for the equine in a diligent manner, supply all feed, assume all responsibilities for routine foot care, including shoes and trimming, and will assume all veterinary expenses incurred during the period of the contract unless otherwise agreed upon by all parties, and unless the expense incurred was the direct result of a pre-existing condition as herein noted:

5. The owner shall have the right to enter onto the premises, where the animal is kept by the 4-H member to inspect the animal, or vice versa if stabled by the owner.

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6. The animal will be insured against loss of life for \$_____, with the cost of this insurance to be covered as follows: ____% to be paid by the animal owner and ____% to be paid by the 4-H member.
7. In the event of accidental injury to the animal where euthanasia is considered, the member shall immediately contact the owner and the insurance company carrying the mortality policy, if the horse is so insured, and shall then proceed as instructed thereafter by the owner.
8. The owner of the animal will not be held liable for any actions of the animal during the period of the contract unless there is a failure to expose a pre-existing propensity for unacceptable behavior.
9. The owner shall have the right to terminate the contract at any time the member violates any part of this contract or at the mutual agreement of the owner and the member.
10. The 4-H member may terminate the contract with a notice given to the owner at least 30-days prior to the anticipated termination date unless an agreement can be reached between the owner and the member for a shorter time for termination of the contract.
11. If the animal being designated is a female, the owner may, with the approval of the 4-H member, breed the female if the normal birthing dates fall after the termination of the agreement. All veterinary costs, transportation costs, and prenatal care costs associated with breeding are to be assumed by the owner except as herein indicated: _____

12. The animal is to be kept during the period of this agreement at: _____

(Name and address of stable)

All expenses (if any) of transportation of the equine from the premises of the owner or place of stabling of the animal prior to the initiation of the agreement are to be borne by

_____ (Owner or 4-H Member). All costs returning the animal to the

site selected by the owner, within a reasonable distance, at the termination of the agreement are to be assumed by _____ (Owner or 4-H Member)

13. The member may show this animal in 4-H events only if all parties' sign this agreement and the 4-H Staff approve it by June 15, (April 15 if Market Animal and June 1 if Equine) of the project year. (October 1-September 30)

14. The member will not assign this agreement.

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| _____ | Animal Owner's Signature/Date |
| _____ | 4-H Member's Signature/Date |
| _____ | Parent/Guardian's Signature/Date |
| _____ | 4-H Staff Person's Signature/Date |

We are aware that 4-H does not require the ownership or contracting of a project animal as a pre-requisite to participate in the Seneca County Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Animal Science Project.

Parents/Guardian's Signature

Animal Owner's Signature