



Project Tips - *Llama/Alpaca*

Important Dates

February 1:

4-H Re-Enrollment Deadline

April 1:

4-H Enrollment Deadline
 (New Members)

June 1:

Animal ID due in 4HOnline
 Animal Care (Primary Care) Form Due

Mid June:

Animal Record Book Interviews

Late June/Early July:

Fair Entries Close

Early August:

Adams County Fair

September:

Animal Record Books Due
 (Friday before Labor Day)

View the 4-H Calendar:

<http://adams4h.org/4-h-events/>

Project Considerations

Difficulty:

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Cost:

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1. Do you have land or property at your home but cannot house 'traditional' livestock species?
2. Are you already showing llamas or alpacas in other shows and exhibitions?
3. Are you interested in learning about fiber?

Project Timeline



About the Project

	Project Skills	Life Skills
Head	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise a llama/alpaca (camelid) to exhibit • Select a camelid based on disposition, size, sex, confirmation etc. • Track animal health, feed costs, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal Setting • Decision Making • Keeping Records
Heart	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present a demonstration on your camelid project • Help another member groom their animal for show • Vote on 4-H club decisions using parliamentary procedure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication • Sharing • Cooperation
Hands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn how to train and shear camelids to exhibit • Recognize and serve community needs • Teach the public about animals and agriculture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marketable skills • Community service volunteering • Leadership
Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practice showing/training my camelid regularly • Feed, water, and care for my animal daily • Learn from mistakes or failures. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-discipline • Self-responsibility • Character

Project Requirements

Llama/Alpaca Project members who intend to exhibit their animals at the Adams County Fair must complete the following to remain eligible for fair entry and exhibition:

1. Enroll in the Llama/Alpaca Project by enrollment deadline.
2. Complete and file an Animal Care and Housing Form (Primary Care) on 4HOnline (leased animals and animals not housed at home must turn form into Extension Office)
3. ID all animals in 4HOnline by June 1 deadline.
4. Attend Animal Record Book Interviews and present an up-to-date E-Record Book.
5. Enter fair classes online by entry deadline.
6. Complete and turn in E-Record Book the Friday before Labor Day to the Extension Office.

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Additional Information - Animal Entry in 4hOnline

1. 4-H members are required to enter their animals in the 4hOnline enrollment system. This page will help summarize the information required in this system.
2. All project animals must be entered in the 4hOnline system no later than June 1st of the current project year.
3. All 'bold' items are required in 4hOnline, a photo of your llama/alpaca is optional.
4. It is highly recommended that any and all animals with potential of attending Fair have ID in 4hOnline, if an animal does not have ID, it will not be allowed at Fair.



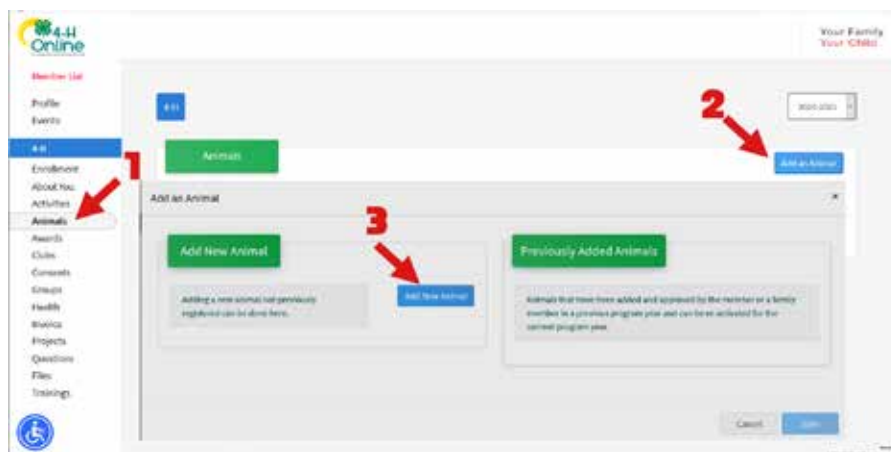
Log in to [4hOnline](#)

Select the 4-H member

1 - Click Animals

2 - Click Add an Animal

3 - Click Add New Animal in the popup window



Steps for Success:

1. Sign up for 4-H Fourcast Newsletters
2. Attend club meetings & meet your club's camelid leader & other camelid members
3. Order the camelid project manual through your Club Leader to help you learn
4. Download the Livestock E-Recordbook and the breeding camelid supplement
5. Review Fair premium book to understand show rules and classes
6. Attend required and optional club and county workshops to learn
7. Work on Livestock E-Recordbooks regularly.
8. When in doubt, contact the 4-H office with questions

Resources

- *Project Manual* - [OSU – "Llama & Alpaca Resource Handbook"](#)
- *Adams County Fair Premium Book* - www.adamscountyextension.org
- 4-H Llama/Alpaca Leader or Superintendent
- Adams County Extension Staff

Stay up to date!

News/Events/Social Media Posts
<http://adams4h.org/4-h-news-events/>

Required Information:

Tattoo/Animal Name - Registered Name or 'nickname' or Tattoo
Birthdate - Animal DOB
Sex - Male or Female
Purchased or leased

Optional Information:

Registration/Microchip, Colors/Markings, Height, Date Acquired, Dam and Sire Information and photos are optional.

Record Book

Llama and Alpaca project members complete the Adams County 4-H Livestock E-Record - <http://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/animals/>

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