

RICHLAND COUNTY JUNIOR SHEEP/GOAT MANAGERIAL

PROJECT AGREEMENT OBJECTIVES

1. To develop character, knowledge and a sense of responsibility in the sheep/goat project.
2. To maintain or increase the number of youth carrying the sheep/goat project.
3. To provide the opportunity to work with sheep/goats for non-farm youth and farm youth.

RULES

1. The managerial project pertains to Junior breeding stock sheep/goats.
2. The program is available to any member, hereafter referred to as the Lessee, in good standing in a Richland County Fair board approved group or organization.
3. The owner will jointly determine with the Lessee specific responsibilities to be carried out by the Lessee. The responsibilities will be recorded on the Richland County Junior Sheep/Goat Managerial Project Agreement and will list items such as:
 - a. When the animal stays on the owner's premises, that Lessee shall enter into an Agreement with the owner regarding Lessee's responsibilities as to the care of the animal or the group of animals that it is a part of.
 - b. When the Lessee has possession of the animal, they shall enter into an Agreement with the owner regarding the allocation of responsibilities for feed, veterinarian care, breeding and insurance.
4. At the Richland County Fair, ownership of an animal by a junior exhibitor is established when the animal is registered in the name of the exhibitor. Co-ownership is allowed between immediate junior family members (i.e., brother, sister). Animals owned by parents, the family farm or others are considered managerial.

Managerial forms are not required when the managerial animal is owned by the junior member's immediate family (brother, sister, parent or family farm). For all other leased animals, a form must be completed.

5. At the Richland County Fair, a managerial animal is defined as any of the following:

Species: Sheep/Goats

Sex: Intact Male or Female

Breed: Registered, Grade, Crossbred or Commercial

6. Each exhibitor is allowed multiple managerial agreements but is limited to exhibiting only the following at the Richland County Fair:

First year exhibitors will be allowed to show two managerial projects. Second year managerial project members will be allowed to show four animals. Members are encouraged to show the animals from the previous managerial projects, but not required. Third year and beyond managerial project members will be allowed five animals.

7. The Richland County Junior Sheep/Goat Managerial Project Agreement must be signed and filed in the County Extension Office **by June 15** of the project year for eligibility at the Richland County Fair Junior Show. Managerial identification forms need to accompany the animal to the fair.
8. The title of ownership as stated on the registration certificate of a registered managerial animal will remain in the possession of the owner.
9. The owner will make the animal available to the Lessee during the period of the Richland County Junior Sheep Managerial Project Agreement.
10. The owner of the managerial animal agrees not to hold the Lessee liable for any financial loss from injury or death to the managerial animal.
11. The owner is not responsible for injuries to the Lessee and participation in this project will require Lessee and Lessee's parent/guardian to hereby release from liability the owner and all other persons and entities involved with this project (see page 4, Release of Liability form).
12. The Lessee is responsible for all expenses incurred in exhibiting the animal, such as veterinary, transportation, grooming, feed and other miscellaneous expenditures. The Lessee may keep any premiums or awards while exhibiting the animal during the duration of the contract.
13. The Richland County Junior Sheep/Goat Managerial Project Agreement will remain in force until the end of the project year or until terminated by either party. The Richland County Junior Sheep/Goat Managerial Project Agreement may be terminated prior to the end of the project year for reasons such as:
 - a. Failure of Lessee to carry out responsibilities as outlined in the Richland County Junior Sheep/Goat Managerial Project Agreement
 - b. Changes in the farming operation of the owner.
14. The owner, Lessee, a parent or legal guardian of the Lessee and project leader (4-H club leader, Agriculture Education Instructor, Breed Association Advisor or other approved Youth Group Leader) must sign the Richland County Junior Sheep/Goat Managerial Project Agreement.

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This Managerial Project Agreement is entered into on (Date: mm/dd/yyyy) _____ between

Owner: Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Youth (Lessee): Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

The owner hereby agrees to lease to the aforementioned Lessee listed above the following animal(s):

Animal Name	Breed	Registration Number

The owner and the Lessee mutually agree upon the items stated below:

In return for the privilege of working with the above managerial animal(s), the Lessee agrees to:

1. Assume responsibility for care and management of the project animal.
2. Read and understand the rules and responsibilities of the lease and agree to abide by the stated requirements of the program.
3. Read and understand the release of liability and have signed the same.

Youth (Lessee): _____ **Date:** _____

I have read and understand the rules and responsibilities of the Richland County Junior Sheep Managerial Project Agreement and agree to abide by the requirements of the program.

Owner _____ **Date:** _____

I have read and understand the contractual agreement entered into by the Lessee and owner and agree not to hold the owner liable for any injury or financial liability that the Lessee may incur during this contractual agreement. I will be responsible for any damages or loss because of the lack of care by the Lessee.

Parent or Legal Guardian: _____ **Date:** _____

The Lessee is a member in good standing of our respective program.

Other Approved Youth Group Leader _____ **Date:** _____

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

A RELEASE OF LIABILITY for Richland County Fair Junior Livestock Managerial Project Agreement as follows:

I, _____ as **Parent/Guardian of Participant**, _____ hereby acknowledge that I am aware that working with animals and related equipment and being on the premises of an operating farm poses certain risks of injury, including but not limited to, being stepped on, kicked, knocked down or against equipment and structures, struck by moving equipment, gates, falling objects, such as bedding, feed stuffs and equipment, as well as exposure to various types of materials which might cause allergies or other reactions.

Recognizing these possibilities of danger and in consideration of the opportunity to participate in the Richland County Junior Sheep/Goat Managerial Project, I agree to release _____ **(Owner)** and all other persons and entities associated with the ownership or management of the animal and farm in question from all liability resulting from any injury of any nature whatsoever based on the Richland County Junior Sheep Managerial Project Agreement.

It is my specific intention that this release is on-going and is effective for the entire project year and is effective not only on the farm of origin of the animal but at all other places where I am working with said animal.

I further hereby release Richland County Fair and the Richland County Junior Sheep/Goat Managerial Project, including, but not limited to, its officers, agents, employees, volunteer workers, and all other entities and persons working with the Project, without limitation.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT. I FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

Dated this _____ **day of** _____, **20**___

Participant: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian of Participant: _____ Date: _____

Witness: _____ Date: _____

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