



## Project Tips - *Pocket Pets*

### Important Dates

**February 1:**

4-H Re-Enrollment Deadline

**April 1:**

Animal Care (Primary Care) Form Due

4-H Enrollment Deadline

(New Members)

**June 1:**

Animal ID due on 4HOnline

**Mid June:**

Animal Record Book Interviews

**Late June/Early July:**

Fair Entries Close

**Early August:**

Adams County Fair

**September:**

Record Books Due

(Friday before Labor Day)

### Project Considerations

Difficulty:

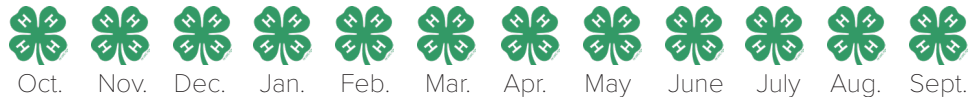
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Cost:

\$

1. Do you have a pet a home that you want to show in 4-H?
2. Are you unable to house large livestock or other 4-H project animals?
3. Are you allergic to dander, which prevents you from owning certain animals?

### Project Timeline



### About the Project

This project is a great way for any 4-H member to show an animal that may not easily fit into other 4-H projects or departments. Members in this project will care for and exhibit their pet project at the County Fair.

Possible Pocket Pet Projects Include:

***Aquatic Animals or Amphibians***

Fish, Salamanders, Frogs, Turtles

***Birds***

Finches, Parrots and other Non-Poultry eligible birds

***Mammals***

Mice, Rats, Hamsters

***Reptiles***

Snakes, Lizards

***And Beyond!***

### Project Requirements

**Pocket Pets 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 Pocket Pets Project by the enrollment deadline.
2. Complete and file an Animal Care and Housing Form (Primary Care) on 4HOnline
3. ID all animals in 4HOnline by June 1 deadline (project animal must be owned by ID deadline).
4. Attend Animals Record Book Interviews and present an up-to-date E-Record Book.
5. Enter fair classes online by deadline
6. Complete and turn in the Companion Animal E-Record & supplement pages 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 4-H Online enrollment system. This page will help summarize the information required in this system.
2. All pocket pet project animals must be entered in the 4-H Online system no later than June 1st of the current project year.
3. Pocket pet project Members will enter their animals under the 'Small Pet' tab.
4. All "bold" items are required in 4HOnline.
5. It is highly recommended any and all animals with the potential of attending Fair have ID in 4HOnline. If an animal does not have ID, it will not be allowed at Fair.



### Small Pet

Animal Name:

List Type of Animal Identification

Breed:

Select Animal Type

Colors And Markings:

List any characteristics OR Other Breed Name

Birthdate:

Owned Or Leased:

Purchased or Leased

Purchased Or Leased Date:

Date Acquired

### Animal Uploads

Small Pet (Photo)

(Image/PDF files)

Small Pet (Vaccination F

(Image/PDF files)

## Resources

- Adams County Fair Premium Book - [www.adamscountyextension.org](http://www.adamscountyextension.org)
- 4-H Project Leader
- Adams County Extension Staff

### Stay up to date!

News/Events/Social Media Posts  
[adams.colostate.edu/4h/news.htm](http://adams.colostate.edu/4h/news.htm)

## Record Book

Pocket Pets Project Members complete the Companion Animal E-Record found at:

<http://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/projects/e-records/>

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### Required Information:

Breed - animal type

Animal Name

Purchased or Leased Date - date acquired

Photo

Color + Markings (list specific animal type - ex: ferret)