2024 Perry County 4-H Owner's Manual

Your Family's Guide to Successful 4-H Club Membership!



DISCLAIMER

Failure to read and understand provided information, including this Owner's Manual and 4-H mailings/emails, is not an acceptable reason for unmet deadlines or requirements.

Please remember that communication is a two-way street - ask your club advisors or the Extension Office for help if you feel like you are missing something.



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Introduction to Perry County 4-H

4-H is a non-formal educational, youth development program offered to youth age 5 and in kindergarten to age 19. 4-H programs focus on active involvement and quality experiences that stimulate lifelong learning of values and skills. 4-H members and program participants learn valuable lessons in leadership, communication and collaboration while increasing their knowledge related to a variety of topics. Youth can participate in 4-H through clubs, camps, school programs and short-term experiences.

In Perry County, more than 1000 youth participate in community clubs led by approximately 135 approved adult volunteers. Youth ages 5 and in Kindergarten through 2nd grade engage in group-oriented learning experiences as a 4-H Cloverbud. More than 200 different 4-H projects are available to members age 8 and in the 3rd grade or 9 and in any grade through age 19. There are 35 4-H clubs located throughout the county.

Each year, more than 200 campers and counselors attend Perry County 4-H Junior Camp at 4-H Camp Ohio in St. Louisville, Ohio. 4-H professionals, adult volunteers and trained 4-H teen counselors conduct a variety of learning experiences for campers during the five-day, four-night residential camping experience. Perry County 4-H also offers a Cloverbud Day Camp experience and other community outreach programs, including *Real Money, Real World* and 4-H CARTEENS. 4-H program leadership is provided by Jessica Rockey, Extension Educator - 4-H Youth Development (rockey.16@osu.edu)

The 4-H Motto

"To Make the Best Better."

The 4-H Motto refers to each member. It means that each member will do the "Best" that he/she possibly can in whatever is attempted. The member will then strive to improve the next time so his or her initial "Best" becomes "Better."4-H motto encourages members to stretch their abilities and capacities to reach greater achievement within their own potential.

The 4-H Pledge

"I pledge my Head to clearer thinking, my Heart to greater loyalty, my Hands to larger service, and my Health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world."

The 4-H Emblem

The 4-H emblem is a highly valued mark within our country's history. As such it was granted a very unique status; it is in a category similar to the Presidential Seal and the Olympic emblem. It is protected by the federal government and is under the responsibility and stewardship of the Secretary of Agriculture. The "18 USC 707" marking that appears along the right lower left is coding that protects the use of the clover.

The 4-H Colors

Green and White
Green is nature's most common color and represents
youth, life and growth.
White symbolizes purity and high ideals.

Community Club Volunteer & Member Guidelines

Alcohol, Tobacco and Illegal Drug Policy

- Possession or use of alcohol or illegal drugs at 4-H sponsored activities is prohibited.
- Tobacco product possession and use by 4-H youth participants is prohibited at all 4-H sponsored activities.
- Tobacco use by adults during 4-H sponsored events is discouraged and should only be done in designated areas and not in view of youth participants.

Volunteer Guidelines

- Adults who desire to volunteer their time, energy and talents to Ohio State University Extension and the Perry County 4-H program must successfully complete the volunteer selection process. Applications are available from the Extension Office. All new applications are due by February 1 of the year to begin volunteer service. All steps of the volunteer selection process must be completed by March 1. Volunteers must enroll online each year by April 1.
- 4-H club volunteers must attend a minimum of five meetings from January through July. Attendance at more meetings is encouraged and may be required in the club by-laws. Extenuating circumstances preventing attendance at 4-H meetings can be reviewed by the club organizational volunteer if a written request describing the circumstances is presented. Examples of extenuating circumstances include: death in the family, serious injury/illness of self/family member, and displacement from home due to natural disaster. If the case cannot be resolved in the local club, the volunteer can present the case to the county 4-H professional staff for review.
- The Ohio State University requires volunteers to self-disclose criminal convictions within three business days of the conviction. 4-H volunteers are required to disclose their convictions to the county 4-H Educator.
- Volunteers who have a break in volunteer service will be required to complete the Volunteer Selection Process prior to working with 4-H members in the future.
- The Ohio State University Youth Protection Policy requires all volunteers to complete a fingerprint rescreening
 process every four years and complete an annual child neglect and abuse training to maintain their approved
 volunteer status.

4-H Membership Across County Lines Policy

Youth are expected to affiliate with the 4-H program in their county of residence or receive approval for membership outside their county of residence. Request forms are available online or in our office. Requests must be submitted by March 1. *Be aware, if request is denied, youth must adhere to deadlines in county of residence to enroll. In order to affirm Ohio State University Extension's position concerning 4-H cross county lines (and/or cross state lines) membership, the following philosophy and process statements are provided:

- 1. 4-H membership in two counties (and/or two states) is not permitted.
- 2. Cross state lines membership has the same considerations as cross county lines membership.
- 3. When the county of residence does not have a 4-H program (due to financial or other reasons), youth may not join 4-H in another county. Previously approved cross county lines or cross state lines memberships are revoked.
- 4. In situations where membership in a county other than the county of residence is desired, the 4-H professionals in both counties must be in agreement regarding the application. The agreement, based on their professional judgment in accord with the mission, does not supersede item 3 above.
- 5. Consideration for membership may not be motivated by perceived competitive or sale advantage in another county, any change due to controversial issues, or other similar motivations.
- 6. Should families own residences in more than one county, the county of residence is determined by the public school system in which the youth would be enrolled, regardless of actual attendance.
- 7. Parents, guardians, and youth should become familiar with all policies, procedures, and guidelines for the county in which membership is requested. Some Ohio counties limit participation in the county junior fair to those who reside in the county.
- 8. Any consideration for membership in a county other than the county of residence, within the limits of this policy and not addressed by the above statements, should be brought to the attention of the Ohio 4-H Youth Development assistant director or associate state leader to identify a course of action in these special situations.
- 9. The decision to allow or deny cross county lines membership is made by the county 4-H professionals in the county of request and the county of residence and is fully supported by the state organization.

4-H Member Guidelines

- Membership eligibility for the Cloverbud Program begins when a child has reached age 5 AND is enrolled in kindergarten as of January 1st of the current year. The 4-H Cloverbud program is geared toward activity-based learning. Cloverbud members DO NOT enroll in competition-based projects. A curriculum has been developed based on age-appropriate research and involves cooperative, experiential, and noncompetitive activities. Cloverbud members participate in meetings planned by adult volunteers. They also complete community service projects, exhibit activities in a booth at the fair, and can attend Cloverbud Day Camp & participate in Cloverbud activities at the Perry County Fair.
- Membership eligibility for the 4-H Project Club Program begins when a child is at least 8 <u>AND</u> enrolled in 3rd grade as of January 1st of the current year <u>OR is age 9 as of January 1st regardless of grade</u>. Ohio 4-H membership eligibility ends December 31st of the year in which an individual attains the age of 19. (*If 19 on January 1st, you are too old to re-enroll.)
- Members are responsible for meeting all deadlines and requirements for participation. Failure to meet a deadline or requirement may result in the status of member not in good standing or ineligibility for Junior Fair participation and other opportunities. OSU Extension is not responsible for missed deadlines. All information is published in advance. If you are uncertain of a deadline or requirement, contact the Extension Office.
- A 4-H member in good standing:
 - Must be enrolled in a club and have project enrollment submitted to the Extension Office by April 1 of the current year to exhibit at the county fair. Late enrollment and project changes will be accepted through May 1, with the exception that livestock projects MAY NOT be added after the April 1 enrollment deadline.
 - Must attend a minimum of five meetings from January through July. Attendance at more meetings is encouraged and may be required in the club by-laws. Extenuating circumstances preventing attendance at 4-H meetings can be reviewed by the 4-H organizational club volunteer if a written request describing the circumstances is presented. Examples of extenuating circumstances include: death in the family, serious injury/illness of self/family member, and displacement from home due to natural disaster. If the case cannot be resolved in the local club, the member and volunteer can present the case to the county 4-H professional staff for review. *Members may count attendance at a countywide 4-H event as 1 of the 5 required meetings.
 - Must complete at least one project in order to receive credit for the year in 4-H.
 - Must follow the Ohio 4-H Code of Conduct as agreed to during enrollment.
 - Must be current on all fee and fundraiser payments. Perry County's annual enrollment fee is \$5/youth. 4-H
 project books are priced at \$8/each unless noted otherwise on the Advisor Publication Order Form. Clubs
 may charge additional membership dues.
 - Clubs may implement additional requirements in their club bylaws. (Examples: participation in a community service project, fundraiser or special activity; completion of a demonstration; participation in Livestock Skillathon)
 - If clubs have members who do not meet these requirements, they are required to submit a list of names to the Extension Office when picking up the club's pre-fair packet. Incomplete members are not eligible for county fair exhibition and will not receive a wristband. *This applies to Cloverbuds AND Project Club Members.

Accommodations for Youth with Special Needs

4-H welcomes and encourages youth with special needs to participate and will make reasonable accommodations for these youth. The **Winning 4-H Plan** enables youth to tailor the 4-H project experience to their needs and helps maintain a positive relationship between the youth's family, 4-H volunteers and the county 4-H professionals.

Youth must submit a Winning 4-H Plan Request Form to the Extension Office by May 1. The form may be found at: www.go.osu.edu/perryforms. A county 4-H professional will review the request and contact you with questions as needed. Requests for accommodations are considered on a case-by-case basis. The 4-H professional will consider whether making accommodations fundamentally alters the event or provides a significant advantage or disadvantage to anyone participating. Judges are expected to follow procedure for accommodations, and they may modify regular procedures to accommodate requests.

The 4-H professional will complete a Winning 4-H Plan Accommodation Form and send the completed document to the family to be stapled in the front cover of a youth's project book. The 4-H professional will share appropriate information with judges and volunteers to help facilitate the youth's judging experience.

Members who have previously submitted a request form do not need to submit again. Please contact the Extension Office directly to request changes for the current year. If no changes are requested, accommodations will be listed as they were the previous year.

4-H Project Completion Guidelines

4-H projects must be judged at the county level to be completed. 4-H projects completed must be separate and different from those carried in other organizations, for a grade or credits, such as FFA, FCCLA, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and school.

Still Projects

Youth must attend a scheduled pre-fair judging opportunity to have still projects judged. *If youth is unable to attend the scheduled date for their project, their club advisor should request a *Project Judging Form* from the Extension Office and conduct an interview and project evaluation with the member. These forms are due to the Extension Office no later than July 2. Projects judged by an advisor are not eligible for county awards or Ohio State Fair representation.

Still Project Judging - Fair Coliseum

Day 1- Engineering, Science, Natural Resources, Shooting Sports

Day 2- Dogs/Small Animals, Photography, Scrapbooking, Cake Decorating, Clothing/Textiles, Foods/Nutrition, Fine Arts, Health, Family Life

*Detailed schedule will be sent to enrolled members in May. **Project completion requirements follow this page.**Still projects must be completed & judged to be eligible for exhibition at the Perry County Fair. Exhibited projects are eligible to receive cash premiums from the Perry County Senior Fair Board. *A project book only is not an exhibit.

Livestock Projects

Youth can complete livestock projects (including horses), in the following ways. Volunteers should review livestock books within their club.

Perry County Fair

Youth can enter and exhibit animals at the Perry County Fair – only those projects enrolled in by April 1 may be exhibited. Youth must participate in the show (not showmanship) and receive a grade from the judge. See the Livestock Requirements Summary within this book for more details. Annual entry deadline is July 1.

Livestock Skillathon - Day 1 of Still Project Judging, Fair Coliseum

Youth can utilize a Skillathon grade for 4-H project completion if unable to exhibit the animal at the county fair. If the youth knows the animal cannot be exhibited prior to Livestock Skillathon, Skillathon serves as the completion method for the project. Please contact the Extension Office if you will be using this option.

If an animal becomes unable to be exhibited at the fair after Livestock Skillathon, please contact the Extension Office to discuss project completion options.

Still Project Judging Information

Preparing for Judging: To assist 4-H members in preparing for project judging and to provide for a positive experience during project judging and exhibiting, the following suggestions are given:

- Be sure members are aware of and understand what they are expected to bring to judging. Requirements are listed for all still projects. Some books are for multi-year projects. Members are only required to complete activities for one year. Members should be able to discuss/answer questions about the information in the project book as well as the items brought to judging. An educational display will depend on the project but may include items such as a poster depicting an activity from the project, scrapbook or outfit made by the youth.
- Have experienced club members discuss the process of judging and the interview process with other 4-H members and their parents, prior to judging.
- Member's appearance should be neat and clean, and they should dress as they would for a job interview or special presentation at school.
- Members are to be present at the scheduled day/time of judging. If attendance is not possible, members should arrange for Advisor judging as previously mentioned.
- Additional Information and Sample Judging Sheets can be found on our website under 4-H Youth Development >
 Current 4-H Handbook and Other Guidelines.

Project Grades & Awards:

<u>Grade A</u> - completed project requirements, excellent exhibit and knowledge gained. Youth must have an educational display and complete book requirements (some projects are designed to be taken over multiple years, so they may not need to complete the entire book in one year.)

<u>Grade B</u> - completed some, but not all project requirements (incomplete book, no educational display, etc.), exhibit sloppily or poorly done, poor knowledge.

Grade C - did not complete project requirements, exhibit sloppily or poorly done, poor knowledge.

*Projects receiving an "A" grade at their assigned judging day are eligible to be selected as a County Rosette winner, Ohio State Fair Representative, and Best of Show winner. Best of Show winners receive a trophy & cash award.

Still Project Requirements

*Denotes State Fair Project

**FOR ALL STILL PROJECT PROJECTS - refer to the 'Project Planning Guide' at front of your book!

About 4-H

Project #91 Discovering 4-H: Bring completed book and an educational display. **Project #92 4-H Around the Globe:** Bring completed book and an educational display.

Animal Sciences

*Information for livestock to be judged at the Perry Co. Fair is found later in this booklet.

Project #173 Horseless Horse: This project is designed for members that cannot take a horse for a project, but members should have access to a horse to help understand the project. Bring your completed project book and an educational display.

Dog Projects

Permission to Participate Form: All youth enrolling in 4-H dog projects (except 200 All About Dogs) are required to complete and submit the Permission to Participate in Ohio 4-H Dog Activities Disclosure and Release of Claims document. The form can be found online at www.go.osu.edu/perryforms, or can be mailed upon request. This document must be signed each year a youth enrolls in a 4-H dog project and is to be kept on file at the Extension Office. It is also recommended the 4-H club volunteer keep a signed copy. **This form is due by June 1.**

Project #200* All About Dogs: This project is designed for beginning-level members who may or may not have a dog. Bring your completed project book and an educational display. Do not bring a dog to judging.

Project #201D* You and Your Dog - Interview Only: Bring completed book and an educational display. Do not bring a dog to judging. Members also need #201R Dog Resource Handbook to complete this project.

#201D You and Your Dog, #201O Dog Obedience, #201P Dog Performance, #201S Dog Showmanship, #201W Working Dogs: Bring completed book and your dog on a leash. (Dogs must have license and current vaccination certificate). Members also need #201R Dog Resource Handbook to complete these projects. Youth enrolled in these projects can enter the State Fair Dog Show. Entry forms and State Fair information can be found on the Ohio State Fair website: https://ohiostatefair.com/. State Fair entries must be submitted by the exhibitor directly to the Ohio State Fair by June 20. Late entries will be charged a significant fee.

Cat & Small Animal Projects

*NO live animals are taken to the Ohio State Fair for these projects.

Project #215* Cavy Project: Bring completed book, an educational display, and your cavy in a cage/carrier.

Projects #216* Cat I – Purrfect Pals, #217* Cat II – Climbing Up, #218* Cat III – Leaping Forward: Bring project book with the parts completed as explained on pages 2-4 of the book, an educational display, and your cat in a carrier. Each project can be taken three years, and the same project book can be used each year. Current vaccination certificate required.

Project #220* Pocket Pets Project and Record Book: Bring book (complete the appropriate sections), an educational display, and your pocket pet in a cage/carrier. (Mice, rats, hamsters, and gerbils only)

Project #227* Pet Rabbit: Bring completed project book, an educational display, and your rabbit in a cage/carrier. Does not exhibit live animal at the fair. **Members wishing to exhibit at fair should enroll in #225 Breeding Rabbits.**

Project #210* Assistance Animals in Action: **NEW for 2024 Learn about the work of 3 types of assistance animals – how they are trained, what they can do, and how best to interact with them. Bring completed book and an educational display.

Veterinary Science Projects

Projects #244* From Airedales to Zebras, Level 1, #245* All Systems Go, Level 2, #246* On the Cutting Edge, Level 3: Bring completed book and an educational display. Each project can be taken three years, and the same project book can be used each year.

Clothing & Textile Science

Sewing machines are available for use AT the Extension Office if needed. Call us to schedule a time!

A 4-H member who takes more than one clothing project must complete separate learning experiences related to each, including creating a separate, complete, total look outfit for EACH project. Using items from two or more projects to form one outfit will not be considered as "completion" of either project; Youth should bring their project on a hanger to be evaluated for construction, then will change into the item(s) to model for evaluation of fit.

Project #406* Clothes for High School & College: Bring completed project book, pattern and model outfit. Construct an outfit with a minimum of two pieces or a one-piece garment with sleeves, plus some other style detail not tried before. Also bring three clothing items repaired.

Project #407* Accessories for Teens: Model accessory made for project (such as bag/purse, belt, cummerbund, footwear, shoe covers, hat, gloves, jewelry, removable collar, dickey, jabot, scarf, tie, muffler, shawl, socks/hosiery or suspenders) with assembled outfit. Bring pattern (if used) and completed project book.

Project #408* Creative Costumes: Bring completed project book, pattern and model costume.

Project #409* Sew Fun: Bring completed project book, pin cushion, pattern and model outfit with a fully elastic-waisted skirt, shorts, pants or capris.

Project #410* Designed by Me: Bring completed project book and model the sweatshirt, t-shirt, button-down shirt or simple jacket with sewn or fused decorative patch.

Project #411* em-bel-lish: A 4-H Guide to Wearable Art: Bring completed book and model one embellished garment.

Project #412* Sew for Others: Have person model complete outfit made for them or bring the three different garments adapted for a disabled person. Bring pattern and completed project book. *To repeat, a new 'other' category is required.

Project #413* Sundresses and Jumpers: Model sundress or jumper. Bring pattern and completed project book.

Project #415* Ready, Set, Sew Active!: Model completed outfit. You must construct at least one garment in the outfit. Bring pattern and completed project book.

Project #417* Dress Up Outfit: Model garment accompanied by appropriate accessories. Make at least one dress up garment to be worn as part of a total dress up outfit. Project will be divided into two categories: Dress Up Daywear or Dress Up Formal.

Project #418* Loungewear: Model top layer of an outfit for lounging at home (ex: robe, jumpsuit, tunic and pants, leggings, wraps or other garment suitable for lounging). Bring pattern and completed project book.

Project #419* Terrific Tops: Model top that you constructed, plus rest of assembled outfit. Halter tops are NOT acceptable. Bring pattern and completed project book.

Project #420* Outerwear for Anywhere: Model coat, jacket or cape constructed with other clothing to complete outfit. Bring pattern, completed project book.

Project #424* Clothing for Middle School: Bring completed project book, pattern and model outfit. For the outfit, youth must make either at least one garment with sleeves OR a skirt or pants plus a top, such as a vest, collarless jacket, sweater, blouse, shirt or other top with or without sleeves.

Project #425* Look Great for Less: Bring completed project book and model an inexpensive outfit that uses creativity and resourcefulness.

Project #426* Clothing for Your Career: Model outfit constructed that has a minimum of two pieces, provides several new challenges and fills a job or interview need. Bring pattern, completed project book and 2 alterations or recycled garments to show judge.

Project #430* Shopping Savvy: Wear an assembled outfit for judging based on knowledge gained from project. Bring completed project book.

Project #432M* Sewing & Textile Master (non-clothing): Bring completed project guide and one non-clothing fabric item. Visit https://ohio4h.org/booksresources to download the project guide.

Communication

Project #377* Finding Your Voice: Public Speaking Made Easy: Bring completed book and an educational display.

Creative & Leisure Arts

Project #442* Family History Treasure Hunt: Bring Treasure Hunter's Research Journal, completed project book, copies of charts completed and correspondences. The project can be taken up to six years and the same project book can be used throughout the project.

Project #492* Cake Decorating: Bring completed book and an actual cake, cupcake or Styrofoam base for a cake that is decorated and demonstrates the decorating skills and techniques for your level. The project may be repeated, but a new record book is needed annually. (For fair exhibit youth are encouraged <u>not</u> to exhibit real food products, but instead exhibit an educational poster, photo story or project scrapbook.)

Project #496* My Favorite Things: Bring completed book and collection of one type.

Project #497* Scrapbooking: A 4-H Guide to Preserving Memories: Follow the project guidelines found in the front of the book. Bring completed project book and scrapbook. Be prepared to discuss any aspect of project with the judge. (For fair exhibit, youth may exhibit scrapbook or another item, such as an educational poster.)

Project #498* Quilting the Best Better: Bring completed book and a LAP QUILT, following size guidelines in project book. *Larger quilts should be taken as a Self-Determined #365 project.*

Project #499* You Can Quilt!: Bring completed book and a MINI QUILT, following size guidelines in project book. Larger quilts should be taken as a Self-Determined #365 project.

Project #584* Photography Basics, Book 1 Project #585* Next Level Photography, Book 2 Project #586* Mastering Photography, Book 3

Each photography project book may be used for 1-3 years.

Bring completed book and photo journal/scrapbook. Display/exhibit should be one of the following: single mounted print, prints that tell a "photo story," prints that illustrate an activity, or single print with the news story it illustrates

Project #588 The Writer in You: Portfolios should be in a notebook or folder and include a cover sheet with the youth's name, 4-H age and include the items listed on page 40 of the project book (Activity 2-10). Members must bring their completed project book and an educational display to Still Project Judging.

Project 589M* - Photography Master: Along with completed project guide, bring **at least one** print for display, mounted at their discretion, illustrating what they consider "the best" of the photographs demonstrating the area of interest they have chosen to "master" in this year's project. Each participant may bring any extra materials they feel will demonstrate the learning experiences of the current project year but are not required to do so. Visit https://ohio4h.org/booksresources to download the project guide.

Project #592* Get Started in Art: Bring completed book and one original art project.

Project #593* Seeing Through Graphic Design: Bring completed project book and portfolio. Portfolios should be in a notebook or folder and include a cover sheet with the youth's name, 4-H age and project name, and include the items listed in the project book for each activity (design a letter, create icon, sample page layout, etc.).

Home Living

Projects: #405* The Laundry Project

#491* It's My Home

#494* Makeover My Space

#495* Your First Home Away From Home

Bring completed project book and an educational display. Display should include item(s) constructed (#491) and visuals/photos and records (#494/495). #495 Your First Home Away From Home, visit https://ohio4h.org/booksresources to download the project book.

Food & Nutrition

All youth taking food and nutrition projects should receive a MyPlate handout in the project book if the book is not printed with MyPlate. If you do not, please contact the Extension Office as you will need to learn MyPlate for judging. You can also visit: https://www.choosemyplate.gov/ for more information.

Projects:

#459* Let's Start Cooking #461* Let's Bake Quick Breads #462* Yeast Breads on the Rise #463* Sports Nutrition: Ready, Set, Go! #467* Cooking On My Own #469* Global Gourmet #472* Grill Master

#474* Beyond the Grill

#475* Star Spangled Foods
#476* Kitchen Boss
#477* Party Planner: A 4-H Guide to Quality Cooking
#481* Everyday Food & Fitness
#484* Snack Attack
#485* Racing the Clock to Awesome Meals
#487* Take a Break for Breakfast

Bring completed project book and your 'Project Presentation Portfolio' - a 3-pronged folder with 8.5x11 pages. Create 1 page (1-sided only) per activity area or interest area as designated in project book that reflects on your learning experience, illustrating your work & knowledge (this can be your display, no points for scrapbooking style). More detailed 'County Foods Judging Document' can be found at www.go.osu.edu/req #462 Yeast Breads on the Rise is a two-year project, and the same project book can be used both years.

Healthy Living

Projects: #300* You're the Athlete

#351* Staying Healthy #353* First Aid in Action

#354* Medicine Science & Safety #355* Tracking Your Health & Fitness #356* Relationships 101 **NEW for 2024

#357* Alcohol & Drug Abuse #358* The Truth About Tobacco #359* Your Thoughts Matter #360* Your Feelings Matter #434* Superhero You

Bring completed project book and an educational display.

Leadership, Citizenship, & Workforce Preparation

Projects: #370* Mentoring: Leadership in Action

#371* Club Leadership

#372* Diversity

#373* My Hands to Larger Service

#374* Teens on Board

#375* Leadership Road Trip: Where Are You Going?

#376* Pantry Panic

#378M* Leadership Master #382* Am I Ready for Work? #383* Club Leadership 2 #386* You're Hired!

#387* Here, There, Ag Careers Are Everywhere!

Bring your completed project book and an educational display. For #378M Leadership Master, visit https://ohio4h.org/booksresources to download the project guide.

Money Management

Projects #445 Becoming Money Wise

#448 Teens...On the Road to Financial Success

Bring completed project book and an educational display. #445 Becoming Money Wise is a two-year project, and the same project book can be used both years.

Natural Resources

Projects:

#611* Explore the Outdoors #612* Geology: Can You Dig It? #613* Exploring Polar Science #617* Exploring Ponds

#620* Why Trees Matter

#621* Ohio Birds

#622* Trapping Muskrats in Ohio

#623* Outdoor Adventurer: Beginning Fishing #624* Outdoor Adventurer: Intermediate Fishing

#630* Safe Use of Guns #631* Basic Archery #641* Beekeeping

#644* Insect Adventures 1 #645* Insect Adventures 2 #646* Insect Adventures 3 #670* Canning & Freezing

Bring completed project book and an educational display. For #612, display should be of a collection from the project. #621 Ohio Birds and #622 Trapping Muskrats are two-year projects, and the same project book can be used both years.

Gardening Projects

Projects

#671 How Does Your Garden Grow? #691 Grow Your Own Vegetables #673 Edible Landscapes #692 Growing with the Seasons:

These projects are judged on the Sunday afternoon before the Perry County Fair begins in the H-Building. Detailed project requirements can be found at www.go.osu.edu/req and in the Perry County Fairbook.

Self Determined

Project #365* Self Determined Project: Bring completed Self-Determined Project Guide and an educational display. (*These projects will be judged based on the categories below.*) Youth can select one of the following project idea starters or **create their own**. Visit https://ohio4h.org/books-and-resources/self-determined-projects-and-idea-starters to download the project guide and appropriate idea starter.

365.00 GENERAL

- 3D Printing
 Amateur Radio
- / inatear radio
- American Sign Language
- Clowning
- Computers
- Disability Advocacy & Awareness
- Discovering Genetics
- Local Foods
- Model Railroading
- Music
- Digital Media
- Skateboarding
- Viruses, Bacteria & Fungi Oh My!

365.01 COMPANION ANIMAL

- Chinchillas

- Ferrets
- Hedgehogs
- Pigeons
- Reptiles & Amphibians

365.02 CREATIVE ARTS

- Miniature Gardens
- Paper Craft
- String Art

365.03 FAMILY LIFE

- Babysitting

365.04 NATURAL RESOURCES

- Astronomy
- Bats
- Climate Change
- Get Started with Composting

- Going Green: Learning to Lead a Sustainable Life
- Crop Production
- Field to Faucet
- Flower Gardening
- Native American Artifacts
- Paddle Water Sports
- Shale Gas Extraction
- Ways of Knowing Water
- Weather

365.05 QUILT

365.06 WORKFORCE PREP

- Camp Counseling
- The World of Work is Calling

Shooting Sports

Projects: #750* Rifle #754* Hunting & Wildlife #751* Archery #755* Muzzle Loading #752* Shotgun #756* Living History #753* Pistol #757* Crossbow

Bring completed project book and an educational display. No firearms or archery equipment is permitted at judging. All shooting sports projects *must be completed under the supervision of an Ohio 4-H certified instructor* by attending at least two scheduled shoots, including safety instruction. CONTACT the Extension Office for details!

STEM

Projects #490* Science Fun with Dairy Foods, #493* Science Fun with Kitchen Chemistry, #500* Science Fun with Physics: Bring completed book and an educational display.

Project #501* Rockets Away, 2-liter bottle rocket: (A 2-liter bottle rocket launcher is available to borrow from the Extension Office.) Bring completed project book and the model rocket built for the project OR an educational display.

Project #502* Science Fun with Flight: Bring completed project book and the model built for the project.

Project #503* Rockets Away, Solid Fuel: Bring your completed project book, and the model rocket built for the project OR an educational display.

Project #509* Robotics Essentials: Options for 2 recommended platforms: LEGO Spike Prime or VEX. Will need computer & internet access to complete. Bring completed project book and robot. *Kits for this project are approximately \$400. You can learn more by visiting www.ohio4h.org/robotics

Project #512M* (Robotics Master): For members who want to continue with robotics after completing existing Ohio 4-H robotics projects or who want to explore robotics with a different platform (not LEGOS). Members of any age may complete this project but should have previous robotics experience comparable to what is required for other advanced-level 4-H projects and be able to plan and complete the project on their own with minimal supervision. Bring robot and completed project guide. Visit https://ohio4h.org/booksresources to download the project guide.

Project #503M* Solid Fuel Rocketry Master: Bring rocket and completed project guide. Visit https://ohio4h.org/booksresources to download the project guide.

Projects:

#517 Bicycling for Fun, Level 1
#518 Wheels in Motion, Level 2
#527* Magic of Electricity
#528* Investigating Electricity
#531* Science Fun with Electricity
#540* Not Just Knots
#541* Crank It Up
#542* Warm It Up
#543* Tune It Up

#544* Ready, Set...Mow! #550* Young Engineers in Solar Energy #552* Tractor Operations, Level B #553* Moving Out, Level C #554* Learning More, Level D #555 ATV Safety

Bring completed project book and an educational display. #527-#530 (electricity projects), #541-#543 (small engines projects) - each project can be taken three years, and the same project book can be used each year.

Woodworking & Welding

Projects:

#556* Measuring Up #557* Making the Cut #558* Nailing It Together #559* Finishing Up

Bring completed project book and one article made for the project using the tools discussed in the book. Each of these projects can be taken three years, and the same book can be used each year. Allowable tool list for each project can be found here: www.go.osu.edu/req Members may ONLY use allowable tools for Ohio State Fair eligibility.

Project #560M* Woodworking Master: (Members of any age may complete this project but must have completed the existing projects, must have woodworking experience comparable to what is required for other advanced 4-H projects and must be able to plan and complete the project on their own with minimal supervision or assistance.) Be prepared to discuss activities in book. Bring advanced project and completed project guide. Visit https://ohio4h.org/booksresources to download the project guide.

Project #573* Arcs and Sparks: Bring completed project book and two weldments/items - one should be from the recommended projects in the project book and the other will be one of an optional design. Must use shielded metal arc welding (SMAW) for this project. If repeating this project, bring two newly made items to judging.

General Rules

ALL Jr. Fair Exhibitors (both 4-H & FFA) **MUST BE ENROLLED** in their selected livestock projects **by April 1**st annually. *Enrollment does not equate to a fair entry.* If planning to exhibit at the Perry County Fair, an **ONLINE FAIR ENTRY MUST** be made for every class/animal exhibiting **no later than July 1**st. Further requirements & rules can be found on the following pages AND in the annual Perry County Fair Book, available hard-copy and online at www.perrycountyfair.com

Quality Assurance

ODA requires ALL Food-Producing Livestock (meat/milk/egg) Exhibitors to ATTEND a Quality Assurance program. Three programs will be offered in-person (see calendar for dates) locally...exhibitors MUST attend one session to be eligible for exhibition at the Perry County Fair. An optional test-out will be offered at 3 initial dates for youth 12+. If you have conflicts with all early Perry Co. dates, a later make-up date will be offered for a \$10 fee. Out -of-county programs are also offered - HOWEVER, QA MUST BE COMPLETE at least 45 days ahead of fair exhibition per the Ohio Revised Code.

Livestock Skill-a-thons

- •Skill-a-thons are offered on 4-H Still Project Judging Day 1 at the Fairgrounds Coliseum.
- •Participating in a skill-a-thon gives the exhibitor the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge through completing a series of hands-on stations about their animal. *This is also the only official opportunity for record book review.*
- •Stations may include such activities as: breed identification, body part or skeleton identification, reading and understanding medication labels and inserts, identifying feed samples, understanding a feed tag, identifying wholesale or retail meat cuts, understanding animal nutrition, digestion, and reproduction, understanding structural soundness, equipment identification, and more.
- •Participants are also required to bring their completed livestock record book for evaluation to receive full credit.
- •Awards will be given to the high scoring individual in each specie age group. Top 5 in each will be recognized.
- •All Jr. Fair Livestock Exhibitors are eligible to participate (4-H & FFA).
- •Skill-a-thon kits may be borrowed by Advisors (for member practice) for 1-week periods through early June.
- •The following Skill-a-thons are offered:

Junior (ages 8-10), Intermediate (ages 11-13), Senior (ages 14+) for: Swine

Junior (ages 8-13) and Senior (ages 14+) ONLY for: Beef/Dairy Feeders, Horses, Rabbits, Goats, Poultry, Sheep

Outstanding Market Exhibitor Program

Open to all Jr. Fair Market Swine, Lamb, Beef, Dairy Feeder, Rabbit, Goat, and Poultry Exhibitors, this program strives to recognize the most well-rounded exhibitor in each specie.

To participate in this program, the exhibitor must complete their specie skill-a-thon and participate in showmanship. The OME is awarded to the individual with the highest combined score from 3 areas: live show placing (with their market animal), showmanship placing, and skill-a-thon score. *Detailed rules & scoring information here: www.go.osu.edu/req Awards include a special item personalized for the specie, banner, and earlier placement in the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale. *Previous year's winners are ineligible to win the same category in consecutive years, except in cases where it is the member's final year of eligibility (comparable to showmanship guidelines).

2024 PERRY COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR LIVESTOCK REQUIREMENT SUMMARY

*All livestock subject to a vet check upon arrival at the fair.
*ALL LIVESTOCK PROJECTS MUST BE ENROLLED BY APRIL 1! FAIR ENTRIES MUST BE MADE BY JULY 1!

PROJECT NAME	POSSESSION	WEIGH-IN/	ANIMAL	HEALTH
& NUMBER	DEADLINE	TAG/PICTURES	REQUIREMENTS	REQUIREMENTS
MARKET BEEF 4-H: #117M	DECEMBER 1	MUST HAVE BEEN WEIGHED IN & TAGGED DEC. 2, 2023	950 LBS. MIN. TO 1500 LBS. MAX. DEHORNED, FEMALE OR CASTRATED MALE	
DAIRY BEEF FEEDERS 4-H: #117DF	MARCH 1	PHOTO ID DUE by MARCH 1, MUST BE WEIGHED IN & TAGGED 3/23/24 8:30-10:30 A.M.	Born on/after Dec. 1 400-650 POUND DEHORNED, FEMALE OR CASTRATED MALE, MUST BE PUREBRED; BROWN SWISS, GUERNSEY, HOLSTEIN, JERSEY or ARYSHIRE	REQUIRED VACCINE(S) will be given at weigh-in, boosters required. Drive-thru booster clinic will be offered in late spring. More info will be sent in February
MARKET HOGS 4-H: #139	MAY 1	TAGGED w. EID BY ADVISORS prior to MAY 15 (if needed)	220-290 LBS. BARROWS AND GILTS	*EID tag required by May 15, if tag already installed, THAT number must be reported on paperwork
MARKET LAMBS 4-H: #198	MAY 1	MUST BE TAGGED MAY 4, 2024 8-11 A.M.	MINIMUM 90 LBS. EWES OR WETHERS	SCRAPIE TAG REQUIRED
MARKET GOATS 4-H: #135M	MAY 1	MUST BE TAGGED MAY 4, 2024 8-11 A.M.	Born on/after Dec. 1 MINIMUM 60 LBS. FEMALES or CASTRATED MALES	SCRAPIE TAG REQUIRED
MARKET RABBITS 4-H: #228MA	JUNE 15	MUST BE TATTOOED JUNE 15, 20243	3 RABBITS 3.50 -5.50 LBS. EACH	*Market rabbits may be purchased OR bred/raised.
MEAT CHICKENS 4-H: #150CM	JUNE 15	ONE pen of 3. Birds will be leg-banded at weigh-in	*PEN OF 3 birds MAX Pen Weight = 21 lbs. Each bird = 4.0-7.0 lbs.	Pullorum Typhoid-Free Health Papers REQUIRED NO RECEIPTS ACCEPTED
TURKEY 4-H: #150	APRIL 1	150 TE - Exhibition 150TM - Market *Only Mkt sells!	Exh, 1 tom or hen - any age Mkt, 1 TOM - hatched March 1-31	Pullorum Typhoid-Free Health Papers REQUIRED NO RECEIPTS ACCEPTED

PROJECT NAME & #	POSSESSION DEADLINE	WEIGH-IN/ TAGGING/MISC.	ANIMAL REQUIREMENTS	HEALTH REQUIREMENTS
BEEF BREEDING 4-H: #117B	MAY 1		HEIFER OR COW	
BEEF FEEDER CALF 4-H: #117BF	MAY 1		DEHORNED FEMALE OR (CASTRATED) MALE. BORN ON OR AFTER JAN. 1	
DAIRY CATTLE 4-H: #127	MAY 1		CALF, HEIFER, OR COW DEHORNED	
BREEDING SWINE 4-H: #140	MAY 1		GILTS OR MATURE SOWS ONLY	
BREEDING SHEEP 4-H: #199	MAY 1		EWES OR RAMS	SCRAPIE TAG REQUIRED
BREEDING GOATS 4-H: #135	MAY 1	135BM – Meat Breeding 135 BD - Dairy	NO MALES	SCRAPIE TAG REQUIRED
SPECIALTY GOATS 4-H: #135	MAY 1	135F - Fiber Goats 135H - Harness 135P - Pack Goat 135PY - Pygmy	DOES OR WETHERS *Pack/Harness guidelines here: www.go.osu.edu/PCF	SCRAPIE TAG REQUIRED
BREEDING RABBITS 4-H: #228BR	MAY 1		DOES OR BUCKS, COMMERCIAL OR FANCY BREEDS	
BREEDING POULTRY 4-H: #150	MAY 1	150CEP - Layers 150CE - Breeding or Fancy	*Layers – 2 hens or pullets, same breed, any egg size; *Breeding – 2 hens, same breed; *Fancy - pair, any age	Pullorum Typhoid-Free Health Papers REQUIRED *Info on local blood testing to be shared late spring
WATERFOWL 4-H: #150	May 1	150 DE - Ducks	ANY AGE, PEN OF 2, MALE OR FEMALE	
HORSES 4-H options: #174, 175, 177, 180, 182, 184, 186, 187, 188, 189	MAY 1	ID FORM, PICS, MEASUREMENTS DUE MAY 1 *190R – record book required with all projects	*Exhibitors must complete online EquiSTEP program by June 1st – STATEWIDE REQUIREMENT!	5-Way Vaccination REQUIRED prior to 1st 4-H Show of season. Documentation MUST be sent to Sr. Fair Board by June 30 annually.

Other 4-H Opportunities

Perry County youth can participate in many different opportunities at the county and state level. The details and registration/application procedures vary for each opportunity. Please read through the following carefully to determine how you can take advantage of these great options! Feel free to contact the Extension Office for more details about any of the following:

CLOVERBUD OPPORTUNITIES

•CLOVERBUD DAY CAMP - A two-day camping activity for Cloverbuds conducted by the 4-H Educator, volunteers and teen camp counselors. Located in the county, group-oriented activities follow a theme. Registration info will be mailed!
•CLOVERBUD FAIR ACTIVITIES - Cloverbuds can participate in the Perry County Fair through an exhibit in their club booth in the H-Building and participation in Cloverbud Show and Tell. Additional activities will be hosted by the Junior Fair Board, including the random selection of a daily Prince & Princess. Information will be shared in early summer.

•CLOVERBUD KITS - Educational kits can be borrowed from our office by Advisors for 2-week periods. Kits include:

Our Country - teaches children about our country using U.S. flag activities.

The Science of Sound - children will learn all about sound with sound experiments.

Food Fun - children will learn all about food and the new My Pyramid.

Fitness is Fun - learn to enjoy fitness using games, snacks, & HalfPint Skillastics.

Weather Fun - teaches the science of weather with fun crafts, snacks & activities



COUNTY CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

•JUNIOR CAMP - Held at 4-H Camp Ohio in St. Louisville, this camp is conducted by the 4-H Educator, adult volunteers, and trained 4-H teen counselors. Perry County staff works with the 4-H Camp Ohio staff to conduct a variety of outdoor learning experiences. 4-H Club and non-4-H Club members ages 8 and in the 3rd grade through age 13 as of January 1 can register to attend. Registration packets will be mailed by early May.

•Other audience-specific camping opportunities exist around the state - find more info here http://ohio4h.org/camp

COUNTY 4-H FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

•ANNUAL CANDY SALE - The Perry Co. 4-H Committee conducts this sale each spring to raise funds for the program's operating budget. Clubs are strongly encouraged to participate or to make donation comparable to the club's potential profit. Candy sells for \$1/item, with \$0.50 staying in the county (0.30 to Committee, 0.20 to Club).
4-H Committee uses their profits to provide 4-H camp discounts for participating youth.

•4-H GOLF OUTING - The Perry Co. 4-H Committee conducts this event early each summer. Funds raised support trips, conferences, scholarships, and/or our county 4-H Endowment. Clubs can assist this effort by identifying potential sponsors and donating door prizes.

COUNTY 4-H RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES - DUE BY DECEMBER 1 ANNUALLY!

- •MEMBER COMPLETION Clubs may request year-end club packets by annually. These packets include certificates for all members, patches for 1st year members, and pins for members completing years 2, 4, 6, 8, 10-14. No application necessary.
- •County PIN Awards 4-H members who demonstrate growth and/or achievement in a specific project area may complete a Pin Award Application (advisors may also complete forms on members' behalf). Pins will be awarded at the 4-H Kickoff.
- •HONOR CLUB 4-H Clubs are requested to submit the **4-H Participation Sheet** to the Extension Office. Clubs that accumulate 180 points or more on the club participation sheet will be recognized as an Honor Club at the 4-H Kickoff, receiving a club certificate and gift card to Shop 4-H.

OLDER YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES

- •PERRY CO. 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS \$300 scholarships for tuition, books, etc. Applications are automatically mailed to all 4-H Seniors each March and are due back in early April. Efforts will be made to recognize recipients at their respective high school's scholarship night.
- •Information on county and state leadership roles, camps, trips and more is mailed to eligible teens each September! Or learn more here https://ohio4h.org/families/just-teens



2024 4-H DATES & DEADLINES

Regularly Scheduled meetings/events:

4-H Committee - 2nd Tuesday*, 6:30pm (Jan., Mar., Apr., May, June, Sept., Nov.) Junior Leaders - 3rd Thursday, 6:30pm (Jan-May and Sept-Dec., *OPEN to all 4-H'ers age 14+) Jr. Fair Board - Last Monday* (Jan.-July), 6:00pm @ Jr. Fair HQ, Fairgrounds Sr. Fair Board - Last Monday*, 7:30pm @ Sr. Fair Office, Fairgrounds

STATE 4-H HORSE EVENTS - find calendar & registration details at www.horse.osu.edu

*Some exceptions may apply. All events at the Extension Office unless otherwise noted!

JANUARY

30 - Advisor Update, 4-6pm & 6:30-8:30pm @ JFS Bldg.

FEBRUARY

- 1 DEADLINE for NEW 4-H Advisor applications
- 1 New Advisor Orientation & Interviews @ Sr. Center
- 7 DEADLINE to register: Ohio 4-H Conference *Registration info here: www.go.osu.edu/O4C
- 13 4-H Kick-off & Member Recognition @ SMS, 5:30-7:30 Snow date: Feb. 20th
- 19 Advisor Update, 9:30-11:30am & 1:30-3:30pm@ Spring Hills Community Church, Somerset
- 23-25 Shooting Sports Instructor Workshop @ Camp Ohio
- 28 Livestock Quality Assurance @ SHS, 7pm start

MARCH

- 1 Dairy Feeder Photo ID DUE to Extension Office!
- 6 CANDY BAR DELIVERY
- 3-9 OHIO 4-H WEEK Plan your club celebration!
- 9 Ohio 4-H Conference, Columbus Convention Center 13-16 Ohio Beef Expo
- 18 Livestock Quality Assurance @ NLHS 7pm start
- TBA Ohio Youth Poultry Clinic, Wooster
- 23 Dairy Feeder Tagging 8:30-10:30am @ Fairgrounds

APRIL

- 1 4-H ENROLLMENT DEADLINE!!
- 1 Livestock Sale Comm. Scholarship Applications DUE
- 5 Perry Co. 4-H Scholarship Applications DUE
- 5-7 Shooting Sports Instructor Workshop @ Canter's
- 11-14 Equine Affaire (www.equineaffaire.com)
- 25 Livestock Quality Assurance @ NLHS 7pm start



MAY

- 1- Candy Bar \$\$ DUE; Still project changes DUE
- 1 Horse ID materials DUE
- 4 Market Lamb & Goat Tagging, 8-11am @ Fairgrounds
- 15 Market Hog Tagging DEADLINE, on-site by Advisors
- 22 DEADLINE to register for Cloverbud Day Camp
- 22 Make-up Quality Assurance @ SHS, 7pm \$15 FEE
- 27 HOLIDAY: Office Closed
- 31 DEADLINE to register for 4-H Junior Camp

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS DATES -

3/16, 4/20, 5/4, 5/18, \$ & 6/1 (inclement weather – 4/27)
*Minimum 2 shoots required + safety & book signing!
FACEBOOK - Perry County Shooting Sports
(*Request to join - project info will be shared here also!)

JUNE

- 1 Cattle Hoof Trimming, 8am til done @ Fairgrounds TBA - 4-H Golf Outing @ Whitetail Ridge
- 6-7 Cloverbud Day Camp, Fairgrounds Pavilion
- 15 Rabbit Meat Pen Tagging, 8:30-10:30am @ Fairgrounds
- 18 Special Interest Project Judging & Skillathon, 9am-4pm
- 19 Dogs & Small Animals, 10-11:30am
 Foods, Clothing & Misc. Project Judging, 11am-4pm
 *Detailed schedule to be shared in May
 -All Judging Events @ Fairgrounds Coliseum-
- 19 Cloverbud Engineering Challenge multi-county, @ Fairgrounds Coliseum, time TBA
- 19 HOLIDAY: Office Closed
- 20 DEADLINE for Ohio State Fair Livestock & Dog entries
- 22-25 4-H Junior Camp @ 4-H Camp Ohio

4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking,

my **HEART** to greater loyalty,

my **HANDS** to larger service,

and my **HEALTH** to better living,

for my club, my community, my country, and my world.



2024 4-H DATES & DEADLINES

JULY

1 - Perry County Fair Online Entries DUE

4 - HOLIDAY: Office Closed

11 - Pen/Stall Set-up, 5:00pm @ Fairgrounds

11-14 - Booth Set-up, all day @ Fairgrounds

15-20 - PERRY COUNTY FAIR

20 - Jr Fair Livestock Sale, 10am @ Coliseum

21 - Booth Tear-down, 10am-2pm @ Fairgrounds

24 - Ohio State Fair BEGINS

AUGUST

4 - Ohio State Fair ENDS

SEPTEMBER

2 - HOLIDAY: Office Closed

13-15 - Fall Shooting Sports Training @ Canter's

17-19 - Farm Science Review

OCTOBER – Happy Fall Y'all

NOVEMBER

11 - HOLIDAY: Office Closed 28-29 - HOLIDAY: Office Closed

DECEMBER

1 - DEADLINE to request year-end club packets

1 - Annual Club Participation Sheet DUE (Honor Club)

1- Pin Award Applications DUE

7 - Market Beef Tagging, 8-11am @ Fairgrounds

24-25 - HOLIDAY: Office Closed

**Information on

4-H TEEN OPPORTUNITIES

(trips, awards, Jr Fair Board, JL's, Camp Counselors, etc.) will be sent to ALL age-eligible members each September!

WATCH FOR IT!

Web Pages of Interest



OSU Extension - Perry County <u>www.perry.osu.edu</u>

> Ohio 4-H www.ohio4h.org

4-H Camp Ohio www.4hcampohio.org

Ohio State Fair www.ohiostatefair.com

Perry County Fair www.perrycountyfair.com

National 4-H Supply Catalog www.shop4-h.org

OSU Extension www.extension.osu.edu

Ohio 4-H Animal Sciences www.4hansci.osu.edu

Ohio 4-H Cloverbud Connections
http://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections/
*Great for Cloverbud Advisors



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