

**Northern District Fair  
Market Turkey  
Record Book  
Intermediate (Ages 10-14)**

Project Year \_\_\_\_\_



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years in the Project: \_\_\_\_\_

Fair Age as of January 1, of the current year: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Record Started: \_\_\_\_\_ Record Closed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Day/Year Month/Day/Year

**\*\*RECORD BOOKS ARE DUE ON FIRST DAY OF FAIR\*\***

# WHY KEEP RECORDS....

Keeping records on your project should not be dull, boring, or scary.

Good records will:

- \*Help you learn about your animal, how they grow, what they eat, and how to keep them safe.
- \*Help you plan future projects.
- \*Let you know if you made money or lost money, and how to improve on this.
- \*Help you improve your management practices.
- \*Give you a record of how you did on your project from start to finish.

## RECORD BOOK RULES:

1. All Record Books are to be completed **BY THE EXHIBITOR**. There will be a 10% deduction in market sale proceeds if the books are completed by somebody else.
2. Record books **MUST** contain photos from Day 1 of the project, all the way through the end of the project. If you raise your birds with another family member, do **NOT** use the same pictures! You are to use your own pictures.
3. Record Books must be turned in on First day of Fair, you will be given an addendum page that will be given after the livestock auction that will be need to be turned in on Thursday by Noon. Failure to turn in your record book will result in a 10% reduction in market sale proceeds.
4. Use only the **APPROVED** record books you were given. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**  
No 3-ring binders or folders or page protectors allowed.

***Remember – Your Record Book is no better than what YOU put into them!***

Exhibitor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Leader Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## PROJECT CERTIFICATION (To be completed by Exhibitor)

I hereby certify that, as the exhibitor of this market project, I have read and understand the rules. I also certify that I have personally taken care of these animals, and that I have completed this record book on my own. I understand that this record book is a requirement, and that 10% of my market proceeds may be deducted if I fail to complete this book properly.

Exhibitor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



**This Year's PROJECT GOALS:**

List three things you want to accomplish with your project this year:

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Do you think these goals will be easy to accomplish? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Basic Project Information**

What breed of turkey did you get? \_\_\_\_\_

How many turkeys did you start with? \_\_\_\_\_

When were your turkeys hatched? \_\_\_\_\_

What is a baby turkey called? \_\_\_\_\_

What did each of your turkeys cost? \_\_\_\_\_

What day did you pick your turkeys up? \_\_\_\_\_

How many turkeys can you sell in the Livestock Sale? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the MINIMUM weight for a Market Turkey? \_\_\_\_\_



**In the Beginning....DAY ONE**

1. What temperature did you have your brooder set at? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Did you use a heat lamp? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What color is your heat lamp?\_\_\_\_\_

4. Did you put anything in their water at first?\_\_\_\_\_

    If you did, what did you add and why?\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

5. Describe the type of brooder you used for your baby turkeys:\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

6. What kind of bedding did you use in your brooder? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. What causes your baby turkeys to huddle up in their brooder?\_\_\_\_\_

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8. Why is it important to keep your baby turkeys away from drafts?\_\_\_\_\_

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9. How did you keep your baby turkeys draft free?\_\_\_\_\_

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## PROJECT EQUIPMENT

What things did you use for your project? Did you have your baby turkeys in a box? In a tote? What kind of feeders did you use? What did you put in the bottom of your cage? List everything you had to use while raising your turkeys for Fair.

EQUIPMENT	NEW/ USED	VALUE

1. What kind of Feeder did you use? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

2. It is very important that your turkeys have CLEAN and FRESH water all the time.  
 How often did you change your turkey's water? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Did you wash their waterer? \_\_\_\_\_

3. How did you house your turkeys once they were old enough to leave the Brooder?  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_



## PROJECT WEIGHTS

It is very important that you weigh your turkeys regularly. We suggest that you weigh every other week. By weighing on a regular basis, you are able to tell if your turkeys are gaining weight as they should. HINT: It is easier to keep all of your weights on a separate piece of paper. Mark your turkeys with a different colored lag band of some sort, and keep track of each bird's weights by color. Then when you pick your bird for Fair, just transfer those weights to this chart below. Remember...this chart is just for your Market Turkey ONLY.

What did your turkey weigh on DAY 1? \_\_\_\_\_

Weigh at end of week:	BIRD WEIGHT	WEIGHT GAIN FROM PREVIOUS WEIGHT:
WEEK 1		
WEEK 3		
WEEK 5		
WEEK 7		
WEEK 9		
WEEK 11		
WEEK 13		
WEEK 15		
WEEK 17		
WEEK 19		

1. Did your turkeys gain weight like you think they should? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Did you encounter any difficulties in getting your turkeys up to weight? \_\_\_\_\_

Explain \_\_\_\_\_

3. What did your Market Turkey weigh on entry day? \_\_\_\_\_



## FEEDING YOUR MARKET BIRDS

\*\*\*ATTACH A FEED TAG FROM ONE OF YOUR BAGS HERE\*\*\*

1. What type of feed did you feed your baby turkeys at the start of the project?

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2. What did you feed your turkeys as they got older? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. How often did you feed your turkeys? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. What is the most important and necessary nutrient you can give your turkey?

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**FEEDING YOUR MARKET BIRDS Cont....**

5. Look at your feed tag on your bag of turkey feed. What is the percent of the protein in your feed?

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6. List one ingredient in your turkey feed. (Look at the feed tag)

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7. Is your turkey feed medicated? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, what is the name of the medication? (look on feed tag)

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8. What is a medication withdrawal period? \_\_\_\_\_

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9. What is the withdrawal period for your turkey feed? \_\_\_\_\_

10. How many bags of feed did you use in your project? \_\_\_\_\_

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11. How much money did you spend on feed for your project? \_\_\_\_\_

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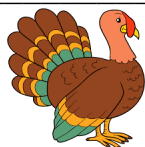
12. How many days did you feed your turkeys? \_\_\_\_\_

13. What is another name for the Gizzard? \_\_\_\_\_

14. What is the function of the Gizzard? \_\_\_\_\_

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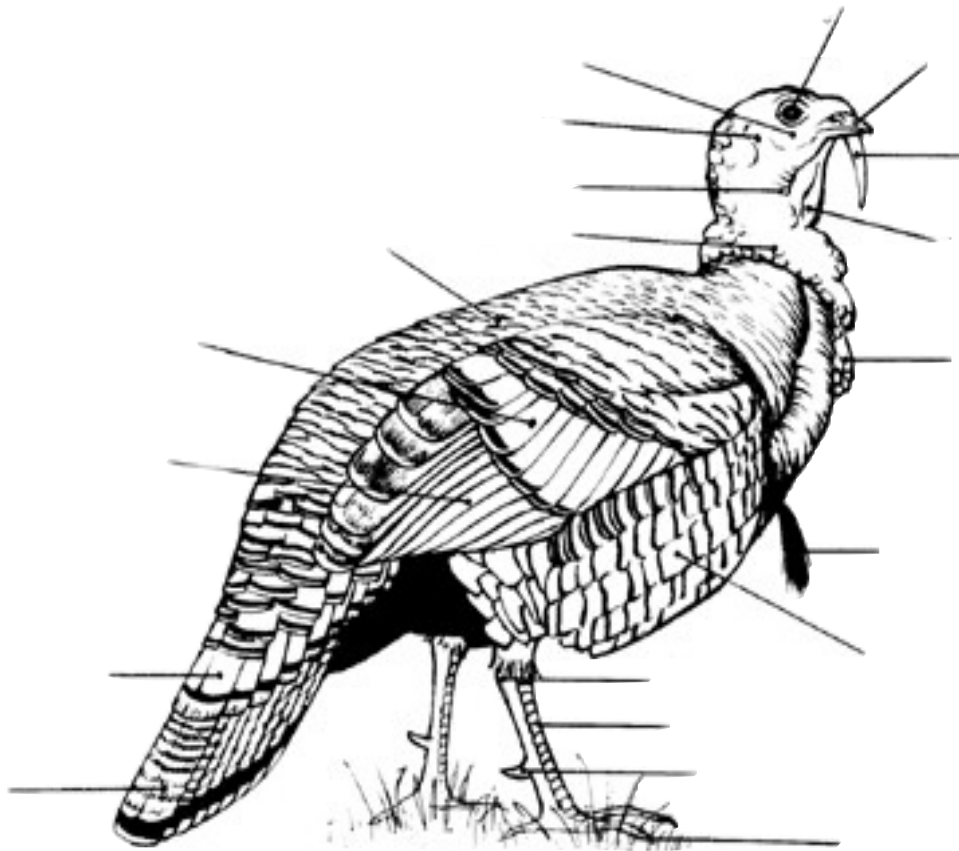




## Turkey Body Parts

Label body parts in the picture above, using the letters below.

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|--------------|-----------------|
| A. Eye       | K. Hock         |
| B. Beak      | L. Toes         |
| C. Snood     | M. Wing Coverts |
| D. Cheek     | N. Wing         |
| E. Ear       | O. Main Tail    |
| F. Throat    | P. Tail Coverts |
| G. Neck      | Q. Shank        |
| H. Wattle    | R. Spur         |
| I. Caruncles | S. Beard        |
| J. Back      | T. Breast       |



# QUESTIONS

1. What TWO places on a live meat bird do you want to check for meat quality?

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2. What is the bumpy flesh on a male turkey's neck called? \_\_\_\_\_

What is its main function? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. What is coccidiosis? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. List 3 signs of a coccidiosis infection in your turkeys:

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5. Your turkey was blood tested on entry day. What was it tested for?

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6. What is Bumblefoot? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. How can you prevent Bumblefoot? \_\_\_\_\_

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8. What is the ratio of pounds gained per pounds of feed fed called?

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## EXPENSE RECORDS

List all expenses you had with your project this year. We included some of the most common ones. There are lots more! Put your thinking caps on! Make sure you are listing the expenses for your Market Birds ONLY. Ask your Leader or Parent for help in dividing out the expenses for the Market Birds only.

<b>EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$ AMOUNT</b>
Birds	
Bedding	
Feed	
Entry fees	
Buyer's gift	

TOTAL PROJECT EXPENSES: \_\_\_\_\_



## **PROJECT PICTURES**

You must include pictures from Day 1 and throughout your project, including the end of the project. Do NOT use a family member's photos for your record book!

# PROJECT PICTURES

Page	Description	Point Possible	Your Points
Front	<b>Cover Sheet</b> all info complete	5	
2	<b>Why Keep Records/Certification</b> Complete and signed	5	
3	<b>Project Goals and Information</b> Answer all questions	5	
4	<b>In the Beginning</b> Answer all questions	5	
5	<b>Equipment Used</b> Rather complete listing	5	
6	<b>Projects Weights</b> Complete, accurate, realistic	5	
7 & 8	<b>Feeding Summary</b> Complete and answer all questions	5	
9	<b>Project Story</b> More than just a couple lines	5	
10	<b>Turkey Body Parts</b> Complete	5	
11	<b>Questions</b> Answer all questions	5	
12	<b>Expense Records</b> Shows some effort	10	
13 & 14	<b>Project Pictures</b> From Day 1 through end	20	
	<b>****Addendum Page****</b>	20	
	Will be given at fair for auction and due Noon on Thursday		
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>100</b>	

Comments

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**Total Points**

A –90 - 100

B – 80 - 89

C – 60 – 79

DQ: below 60

Record Book Judge: \_\_\_\_\_