



Clallam County

4-H 

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# Clallam County 4-H Cat Project Information

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## **ENROLLMENT/ANIMAL POSSESSION:**

1. Members must be enrolled in the Cat project by **June 1st**.
2. Cat projects are open to all age divisions including Cloverbuds.
3. Project animals must be under the management and care of the 4-H member 60 prior to fair.

## **RECORD BOOK:**

Complete a 4-H Record Book with separate project record section for each project.

- Standard WSU Book: In place of the Journal, complete a Cat Add Sheet. WSU pub. CO793.
- Clallam County 4-H Record Book: Use general project record.

## **RESOURCES:**

WSU Cat Project Page: <http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/projects/stem/cat/cat-project-resources/>

The Fitting & Showing Guide, Cat Unit 1, Unit 2 and Unit 3 are the main sources for show questions. Additionally, lists of cat questions and answers based on the units, cage decoration guidelines, and a Cloverbud vocabulary list are available upon request from the Extension office. Curriculum is available for check out at the Clallam County 4-H Extension office.

## **BREEDS/HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Cats may be purebred or crossbred.
2. Kittens must be at least 4 months old at time of County Fair.
3. Animals will be vet-checked prior to enter in fair and must be free of parasites and diseases.
4. Cats must provide a completed, signed [WSU Rabies Vaccination Certificate C1084E](#) showing proof of a current distemper series with chlamydia and proof of rabies vaccination to enter at fair. Feline Leukemia test and shots are suggested but not required.

## **COUNTY FAIR PARTICIPATION:**

1. Enter animals using a Clallam County Fair Exhibitor's Guide and Entry Form mailed on or before August 1st.
2. All 4-H members showing animals must enter Fitting and Showing.
3. Cat project members must enter at least one Educational Poster in the Cat project area.
4. Members may enter more than one cat. Contact the Barn Superintendent for entry limits.

## **CUSTOMARY SHOWING ATTIRE:**

Wear clothing that is neat, clean and professional. Typical attire includes: no jeans, no shorts, long-sleeved shirt for Fitting and Showing. Hair pulled back, no jewelry, no nail polish, well groomed, no open toed shoes. Judges would prefer that showmen wear clothing colors that disguise cat hair.

## **EQUIPMENT:**

"H" type harness, Lead and grooming equipment. Short lead for Fitting and Showing, and Long Lead for Type class.

**CAGE DECORATIONS:** Show cages are provided by the fair/show. Minimum cage decorations/equipment required: material around cage, food, water, litter box and cover. Additional decorations aligned with show/fair theme are encouraged.

## COUNTY MEDALS:

County medals are awarded based on a member's participation at fair. There is only one medal awarded per every ten members enrolled in each project area (i.e. Cat, Dog, etc). Youth earn points for each item that they participate in listed below. Points are kept by barn superintendent.

### Points are awarded in the following categories:

A. Fitting & Showing	<b>Point system:</b>
B. Judging	5 pts for Champion
C. Herdsmanship	4 pts for Reserve
D. Educational Poster	3 pts for Blue
E. Demonstration	2 pts for Red
F. Educational Display	1 pt for White
G. Costume (1 pt for participation)	
H. 4H In Action (1 pt for participation)	

## AWARDS

See Clallam County 4-H Awards Handbook for award information and application instructions. Awards are given out at the Clallam County Achievement Day in fall!

Specific Project Area Awards for these projects: Cat Leaders' Incentive Award

## JUDGING/KNOWLEDGE CONTEST

If available, Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors may participate in a Cat Judging/Knowledge contest. See Clallam County Fair Exhibitor Guide for information or contact your 4-H leader.

## ROUND ROBIN

Top Senior & Intermediate 4H exhibitors in Dogs, Cats, Rabbits, Poultry, Cavies may participate. Rules are outlined in the Clallam County Fair Exhibitor's guide.

## STATE FAIR

4-H State Fair Exhibitor Guide <http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/fairs/state-4-h-fair/>

In order for a member to enter the 4-H State Fair:

1. He/she must notify the County Fair Barn Superintendent of the animal project they wish to enter at State Fair by Sunday of county fair at 4:00pm.
2. Be a part of the qualifying allotment. See State 4-H fair Exhibitor's guide, and or ask barn Superintendent.

At State Fair:

1. Each Species of animal stalls as a county. All clubs in our county are stalled together and must share the responsibility of stall decorations.
2. Members share herdsmanhip duties with all members of our county exhibiting the same project.

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