

4-H Cavy Advancement Program

STEP TWO CHECK LIST

#72782

This is the second step in the 4-H Cavy Advancement Program. When you have completed ten skill options and three personal development options, you qualify to complete Step 2. You can take up to two years to complete this Step.

Skill Options	Date Passed	Approved By
1. Name and describe three additional breeds of cavies.		
2. Build a suitable cage, feeder, or some other cavy equipment.		
3. Demonstrate how to tell the sex of a young cavy at less than 3 months of age.		
4. Explain how to breed a boar and sow (length of time together, whether to remove boar during kindling, etc.)		
5. Take part in a 4-H Cavy Judging contest.		
6. Take part in a 4-H Cavy Showmanship contest.		
7. Describe the following disease/ailments and their remedies: lice, mites, colds, bumblefoot, diarrhea, salmonella, and broken teeth.		
8. Describe the following undesirable conditions in a cavy: malocclusion, pea eye, coat faults, torn ears, eye circles, non-matching color in ears, feet, and toes.		
9. Describe the desirable characteristics of a cavy's ears,, type, crown, head, and eyes.		
10. Start a library on cavy literature: books, magazines, bulletins, and 4-H material.		
11. Explain the three major uses of a cavy.		
12. Do a report on the history of the cavy.		
Personal Development Options (back side of this page)		
1.		
2.		
3.		

_____ is qualified and has completed all
 Name of 4-H Member _____ Age _____
 requirements for Step 2 of the Cavy Advancement Program on _____/_____/_____.
 Date _____
 Approved by _____
 Club Leader _____

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT OPTIONS
(Choose a different option each time)

I. GENERAL 4-H

- A. Lead the *Pledge of Allegiance* and *4-H Pledge* at a 4-H meeting.
- B. Lead a song or game at a 4-H meeting.
- C. Preside at a meeting of your 4-H club.
- D. *Write a news story for a local paper.
- E. *Participate in a radio or television program.
- F. *Present a demonstration or illustrated talk to your club.
- G. *Present a demonstration or illustrated talk to a group other than your 4-H club.
- H. *Serve as a host for a 4-H meeting. See that everyone is welcomed and made comfortable.
- I. *Participate in a Community Service Project.
- J. *Serve as chair of a club committee.
- K. *Participate in a judging contest.
- L. *Serve as a Junior or Teen leader.
- M. *Attend 4-H camp or serve as a camp counselor.
- N. *Develop and exhibit a science display which is related to cavy.
- O. *Make arrangements for a tour by your club.
- P. *Arrange for a film to shown at your club meeting.
- Q. *Secure a speaker to talk at your club meeting.
- R. *Complete your 4-H records.
- S. *Get new members for your club.
- T. *Develop some of your own options with your leader's approval.

II. CAVY 4-H

- A. Serve as a superintendent, assistant superintendent, table superintendent, clerk, or show secretary at a cavy show.
- B. *Help prepare and work with your club leader on a cavy demonstration for your club.
- C. **Work with some younger members of the club in improving or constructing cages or cavy equipment .
- D. **Teach cavy showmanship to 4-H members .
- E. **Participate in a cavy show other than one at your county fair.
- F. Do a cavy presentation at your local 4-H fair.
- G. Share your cavy with a person who cannot have one, i.e., a young friend, and older shut-in, etc.

*These options may be repeated for credit in different steps.

**These options are for older members, or for younger 4-H members with their leaders' approval.

REFERENCE MATERIAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

ARBA Standard

ARBA Official Guide Book, "Raising Better Rabbits & Cavies". American Rabbit Breeders Association, P.O. Box 426, Bloomington, IL 61702, phone (309) 664-7500, e-mail ARBAPOST@aol.com, web site www.arba.net.

WSU 4-H Cavy Project Leaders Guide (with addendums for the Idaho State 4-H Program)

"Your Guinea Pig", Storey Publishing, ISBN 0-88266-889-7.

ACBA Guide Book. American Cavy Breeders Association, Lenore Gergen, 16540 Hogan Avenue, Hastings, MN 55033, phone (651) 283-0202, e-mail McCavy@aol.com, web site www.acbaonline.com.