



4-H Member Name _____
Name of Club _____
4-H Year _____

CONNECTICUT 4-H PROGRAM YOUTH MEMBER CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT

As an enrolled 4-H member, I agree to the following Code of Conduct.

I will:

- ❖ Participate fully and cooperatively in the 4-H program.
- ❖ Abide by all rules and guidelines set by the 4-H program.
- ❖ Be responsible for my own behavior, and conduct myself in a manner that is appropriate and respectful to fellow 4-H program participants, staff, and the personal property of others at all times.
- ❖ Follow all program instructions and schedules.
- ❖ Display a positive attitude and good sportsmanship.
- ❖ Wear attire that is appropriate and suitable for 4-H activities.
- ❖ Not possess, offer, or use alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, fireworks or tobacco while participating in any 4-H activity.
- ❖ Not carry or use any weapons while participating in any 4-H activity.
- ❖ Remain within the assigned program boundaries at all times, unless I have permission from the adult chaperone or leader.
- ❖ Understand that I will be released at the scheduled program ending time, unless I designate an alternate release time and my parent/guardian provides such authorization to the program coordinator in writing.
- ❖ Understand that 4-H project animals are shown at my risk.
- ❖ Promote a spirit of inclusion and welcome participation of individuals from all backgrounds, and refrain from behaviors that discriminate against other people.
- ❖ Access and operate machinery, vehicles, and other equipment in compliance with laws, rules of the 4-H program, and general safety practices.
- ❖ Not engage in behaviors which include and are not limited to true threat, actual physical assault, abuse or actions which cause physical or emotional harm. This harassing behavior may also include bullying which means repeated use of written, oral or electronic communication or physical acts or gestures directed at another individual.
- ❖ Understand that in the event of any declared state or local emergency, 4-H will follow UConn, State of Connecticut and/or municipal guidance as directed.

Youth Acknowledgement of Code of Conduct

I, _____ have read and understand the Code of Conduct and promise to follow and abide by the Code as stated above.

4-H Member's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Acknowledgement of Code of Conduct

I have read the above Code of Conduct and will encourage my child/ward to abide by them. I acknowledge that I am personally responsible for my child's behavior while at any sanctioned 4-H event or program. I expect that if my child/ward breaks the Code of Conduct or becomes disruptive and the adult leaders find it necessary to dismiss my child/ward from the program, that I am responsible for my child's transportation home. I also understand that any dismissal from the 4-H program for disciplinary reasons may not result in a refund. In the event my child/ward is detained by any legal authority, I expressly give my permission for a 4-H chaperone to remain with my child/ward until I can be present. I agree to use my best efforts to arrive as soon as possible upon being notified of such detainment.

I will complete and submit all requested 4-H program documents within the required timeline. I will also re-enroll my child/ward through the 4-H Online Enrollment System by December 1st to ensure they are an officially enrolled 4-H member, and I will provide 4-H with up-to-date emergency contact information.

I would like to receive notifications from UConn 4-H by text cell phone number _____
Cell phone provider (needed) _____

*Please continue onto page 2 for additional release, consent and waiver information and parent signature.

RELEASE, CONSENT AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

In consideration for my child's participation in the Connecticut 4-H program at the University of Connecticut (the "Program"), I hereby RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE the Program, the University of Connecticut, the University of Connecticut Board of Trustees, the State of Connecticut, the Connecticut Board of Governors, and their respective employees, agents, representatives and volunteers (hereinafter referred to as "RELEASEES") from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, that may be sustained by my child (hereinafter "my child" or the "Participant"), or to any property belonging to me, WHETHER CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or otherwise, while participating in the Program, or while in, on or upon the premises where the Program is being conducted.

IDENTIFICATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK

I understand that some activities and events may have inherent risks to my child by participating, and that 4-H project animals are shown at the risk of the 4-H member. I am fully aware of the risks and potential hazards connected with participating in the Program, including but not limited to, the risk of loss of personal property from theft, injuries associated with and other injuries that may not be foreseeable, and I hereby elect for my child to voluntarily participate in the Program and engage in such Program Activities knowing that they may be hazardous to my child and my property. All participants in this Program will be immersed into the University of Connecticut community on and off campus. I VOLUNTARILY ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY RISKS OF LOSS, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY that may be sustained by my child, or any loss or damage to property owned by me, as a result of my child being engaged in such an activity, WHETHER CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF RELEASEES or otherwise.

CONSENT TO RELEASE PARTICIPANT FROM PROGRAM

I understand that I am responsible for providing up-to-date emergency contact information and for escorting or making arrangements in writing for my child to be escorted to and from the Program. I understand that my child will not be permitted to leave the Program with an unauthorized person, unless I grant my child written permission to travel to and/or from the Program and check out independently at the conclusion of the Program. I further understand that the University is not responsible for participants who are authorized by their parent/guardian to leave the Program without adult supervision.

CONSENT TO PHOTOGRAPHY

I further hereby authorize the University of Connecticut 4-H Program to photograph, video and/or audio record my child during the Program, and use or distribute any picture, video or audio recording related to Program activities that my child is depicted in. I also authorize use of these materials for publication in brochures, on the websites, or other University of Connecticut 4-H promotional material. They may also be distributed to other Program participants, including but not limited to a Program group picture of all participants.

For those who choose "I do not consent" please be aware that many of our 4-H programs and events are carried out in public, and we cannot control what photos, videos and audio recordings will be taken. We can control when it is a closed 4-H program such as a club meeting or other 4-H activity.

IN SIGNING THIS PARTICIPANT RELEASE, CONSENT AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, I ACKNOWLEDGE AND REPRESENT THAT I have read the foregoing, understand it and sign it voluntarily as my own free act and deed; no oral representations, statements, or inducement, apart from the foregoing written agreement, have been made; I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and fully competent and I am the parent or guardian of the child participant, and I execute this Participant Release, Consent and Waiver of Liability for full, adequate and complete consideration, fully intending to be bound by same.

Printed Participant Name: _____

Printed Parent or Guardian Name: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____