

<b>Policy # 6.11</b>	<b>Refer to Policy #</b>
<b>4-H Alberta Small Animal, Life Skills, Technology and Trade (SALTT) Project Policy</b> All 4-H Alberta members registered in the small animal, life skills, technology and trade projects must follow the project requirements.	<b>1.01, 2.01, 6.06</b>
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### Projects that fall under the SALTT Policy:

- Apiculture
- Business Cents
- Canine
- Cat
- Clothing
- Computer
- Crafts
- Creative Options
- Entrepreneur
- Environmental Farm Plan
- Exchange
- Exploring 4-H
- Field Crops
- Foods
- Gardening
- Judging
- Leadership
- Nest Boxes
- Outdoor Living
- Performing Arts
- Pet
- Photography
- Poultry
- Rabbit
- Range Management
- Small Engines
- Veterinary Sciences
- Visual Arts
- Welding
- Woodworking

### Project Requirements

- Provincial or Federal laws and licenses govern some 4-H projects. Members and leaders shall be aware of and seek current legislation and guidelines for their project areas and follow them accordingly. Where Provincial or Federal laws differ from this policy the most stringent shall apply.
- Once members have met safety, licensing and operation guidelines, based on legislation and industry standards, they can, under leader supervision, with consideration for the current 4-H insurance policy and their skill level, participate in a safe manner.
- Expectations for successfully completing all projects within the scope of this policy are identified in the 4-H project manuals.

### Small Animal Project Requirements

In addition to the general project requirements, projects falling under the Small Animal heading, shall meet the additional requirements of this section. Canine projects shall meet the requirements set forth in

## **Ownership**

- The 4-H member does not need to own the animal registered as a small animal project.
  - ❖ The 4-H member must train, groom and care for the small animal being entered for show for the full project year. This rule may be waived up to the day prior to the show at the discretion of the project leader, elected committee and club members in the event of illness, injury, or death of a small animal in accordance with 2.01, 4-H Alberta Member Changing or Adding a Project.

## **Project Identification**

- All small animal projects must be identified in their project record book by either colour picture, copy of registration, electronic identification or tattoo number.
  - ❖ Project animals do not need to be purebred to complete at the 4-H level.

## **Project Vaccinations**

- Small animals attending or competing in a 4-H sanctioned event are required to be vaccinated.
- Proof of vaccinations must be available for presentation to the event committee on any day of the given event. (Photocopy of original).

## **Tranquilizers**

- The use of tranquilizing products on 4-H animals, immediately preceding, or at any 4-H project event is prohibited. Any animal that is tranquillized cannot be shown at a 4-H event.
- Any participant or member of a participant's family can make a protest to a committee member responsible for the show regarding suspected use of tranquilizer. The committee must deal with the protest immediately by contracting a veterinarian who will inspect/test the animal.
  - ❖ If the animal is deemed to be tranquilized the member will be required to cover the costs of the veterinarian. The member will forfeit any awards.
  - ❖ If the animal is deemed to be not tranquilized, the protester will pay the costs incurred.

## **Safety:**

- Safety of 4-H members and leaders must be the first priority of all project groups. Safety requirements for each project must be met and taught at project meetings including the safe handling and storage of tools, equipment and supplies.

- Each project group should have at least one (1) presentation for the members that is specific to the safety requirements of the project.
- Participation in projects in the trades will require meeting minimum industry guidelines for health and safety with regard to equipment, eyewear, supplies, training and etc. These guidelines must be strictly followed during 4-H project working days and events.
- *Food Safe* guidelines must be followed when handling or preparing food.
- All equipment and tools related to a project must be present, fully functional and in good repair.
- It is recommended that a qualified first aid provider be present at project meetings and events, and a first aid kit is on hand.
- Leaders should have an adequate number of informed adults present at each project lesson to effectively supervise members working on projects.
- Event organizers have the authority to refuse or remove dangerous or unsafe projects or demonstrations from the events.
- Members must abide by event rules as established by the event organizers.

### **Achievement Day Event**

Each project in a 4-H club shall hold an achievement day suited to project and the 4-H club goals.

### **Club or Interclub Project Regulations**

In addition to the basic Provincial minimum project/industry requirements, there may be other regulations established by club or interclub project committees. It is the member's and leader's responsibility to know these rules and regulations. The individual organizing committee is responsible for administering and enforcing rules and regulations.

**Any one violating any of the above requirements will not be able to participate at any 4-H event relating to that project area, during the remainder of the project year.**