



Dog Project Tipsheet

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Link: [Colorado 4-H Dog Project](#)

Dog Classes at the Adams County Fair

View the [Fair Premium Book](#) for detailed/updated class info.

- Showmanship
- Obedience
- Rally
- Poster Exhibit

Dog Opportunities

- **Dog Practices:**
Every Wednesday evening at the Fairgrounds
- **Check the Adams County [Fourcast Newsletter](#)**
regularly for dog-related events.

Recommendations

- Buy or borrow copies of the [Dog Resource Handbooks](#)
- Attend practices
- Read the General Rules, Livestock, Equine & Small Animal Rules, and 4-H Dog sections of the [Fair Premium Book](#)

2025–2026 Timeline

See [Animal Project Save-the-Dates](#) for detailed/updated deadline info

January 7: Dog practices begin

February 1: 4-H Returning Member Enrollment Deadline

April 1: 4-H New Member Enrollment Deadline

May 1: Animal ID due on 4-HOnline, Animal Care & Housing Form due to 4-H Office

June 3: Fair Entry website opens

June 22 & 30: Animal Record Book Interviews

July 1: Fair Entry website closes

July 18: Paws & Claws Show at the Adams County Fair – this includes the Dog Show

September 4: Record Book Due

View the [4-H Calendar](#)

Questions?

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Project Requirements

Dog Project members who intend to exhibit their animal(s) at the Adams County Fair must complete the following:

- ✓ Enroll in the Dog Project in 4-H Online
- ✓ Complete and submit an [Animal Care and Housing Form](#) to the 4-H office by May 1
- ✓ Vaccinate your dogs
 - Rabies
 - Parvo Virus
 - Distemper
 - Highly recommended: Bordetella
- ✓ Identify all dogs in 4-H Online by May 1

Required in 4-H Online:

- Animal Name
- Animal birth date
- Color and markings
- Sex
- Uploads
 - Photo of rabies tag or proof of rabies vaccination from the office of a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. Must include date administered and expiration date.
 - Photo of proof of other vaccinations to include parvo and distemper from the office of a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. Must include date administered and expiration date.
 - *** If your dogs' vaccinations expire before the Adams County Fair Dog Show, you will be asked to submit updated vaccination records

Optional in 4-H Online:

- Photo
- Breed
- Weight

- ✓ Keep record of your dog project in the Dog Record Book available for download on the [Colorado 4-H website](#)
- ✓ Present an up-to-date Dog Record Book (also called e-record) with a green record book cover ([buy here](#)) at Record Book Interviews
- ✓ Enter fair classes on the Fair Entry website by July 1
- ✓ Complete and turn in the Dog Record Book with a green cover by Friday before Labor Day to the Extension Office.

