**Mendocino County 4-H Youth Development Program**

**Level I Rabbit Proficiency**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***To obtain the Level I Rabbit Proficiency, complete 80% of the following items.***

Date Completed/

Project Leader Initials:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_1. Demonstrate how to handle your rabbit properly, e.g., take rabbit in and out of cage and carry the rabbit.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Identify ten (10) external parts of a rabbit from a diagram or live rabbit.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Describe the basic housing and equipment requirements to care for your rabbit on a daily bases.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Explain the daily nutrition requirements of a rabbit, e.g., how, when, what, how much to feed, and what kind of feed.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Explain how to determine the sex of a rabbit with the proper terminology.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 6. Demonstrate the basic grooming techniques and equipment necessary for the care of your rabbit.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 7. Submit management records for at least one month that indicates how often fresh water, clean feed was provided, and amount of money spent on raising your rabbit.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 8. Explain how to tell if a rabbit is ill.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 9. Describe two safety issues associated with handling a rabbit.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_10. Explain how temperature affects a rabbit and state what can be done to alleviate the effects of temperature.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_11. Explain and demonstrate a simple health check on a rabbit.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_12. Name five different breeds of rabbits.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_13. Participate in a community service activity related to the rabbit project such as taking your rabbit to a petting zoo, convalescent home, or a classroom.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_14. Define and/or describe the following terms:

 ARBA Standard of Perfection Disqualification

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\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_15. Attend a rabbit show.

**Completion of Level I Rabbit Proficiency**

The member has successfully completed 80% (12 of 15) of the above items.

Member’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Project Leader’s Signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Revised 2013