



4-H General Rules and Release



Activity: _____

Inclusive Dates: _____

Rules for Conduct 4-H Activities

Each participant must read and strive to live up to a 4-H Code of Conduct and obey the rules listed below and all directives given by Extension Service and 4-H leaders, officials, and personnel. As examples, but without limiting such rules and directives that may be applicable to a given type, time, or location, each participant must observe the following rules:

1. Attend and actively participate in programs outlined for the activity.
2. Show respect for the equipment, property, and facilities, and assume financial responsibility for damages caused by participant.
3. Observe hours of curfew and remain in his/her own room during curfew hours.
4. Refrain from entering rooms assigned to those of the opposite sex (In other words, boys cannot go into girls' rooms and girls cannot go into boys' rooms.) unless accompanied by an authorized adult Extension Service worker or adult 4-H leader (adult meaning over 21 years of age).
5. Do not leave the activity area without permission from adult Extension Service worker or adult 4-H leader.
6. Do not use, possess, or distribute alcohol or other drugs at any time during the inclusive times and dates of participation in the activity.
7. Do not use tobacco in vehicles at any time during the inclusive times and dates of participation in the activity.
8. Do not use tobacco during any scheduled 4-H meeting or other activity events.
9. Observe dress codes stated by Extension Service worker or 4-H leader.
10. Observe good manners and grooming.
11. Observe all other rules and requirements identified by the Extension Service worker or the 4-H leader.
12. Be responsible for his/her conduct and polite and respectful in conduct, behavior, and language toward all Extension and 4-H personnel and all other participants. (as stated in 4-H Code on Conduct as printed on back of this form)

These rules are only examples of expected conduct.

This is to certify that I _____ (name of 4-H member) understand these rules and that failure to comply can result in my being sent home from the activity at my own expense and/or being declared ineligible to participate in future 4-H activities.

Date

Signature of 4-H Member

County

I certify that I understand my child named above is required to comply with the above rules and that failure to do so can result in his/her being sent home at my expense and/or being disqualified from participation in future 4-H activities, whether in a leadership role or otherwise.

I hereby grant permission for my child named above to participate in the above 4-H activity.

We agree to indemnify and hold Mississippi State University, the Mississippi State University Extension Service, and its employees and volunteers harmless from liability for any injury or damage suffered by me or my child resulting from his/her participation in this activity and while he/she is being transported to, during, or from this activity.

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Telephone Number

Route or Street Address

City

State

Zip

Date

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CODE OF CONDUCT *for* 4-H Events

A primary goal of the 4-H program is to build character in youth through participation in 4-H. The 4-H program promotes the CHARACTER COUNTS!™ six core ethical values: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship. The following Code of Conduct is designed to assure that the 4-H program provides a positive environment for all individuals to develop character:

Trustworthiness

- I will be worthy of trust, honor, and confidence.
- I will keep my commitments by attending all sessions of the planned event. If I am not feeling well or have a scheduled conflict, I will inform my chaperon or a person in charge.
- I will be in the assigned area (dorms, buildings, etc.) at all times.
- I will be a model of integrity by doing the right thing even when the cost is high.
- I will be honest in all my activities. 4-H does not permit dishonesty by lying, deception, or omission.

Caring

- I will be caring in my relationships with others.
- I will help members in my group have a pleasant experience by striving to include all participants.
- I will be kind and show compassion for others.
- I will treat others the way I want to be treated.
- I will show appreciation for the efforts of others.

Citizenship

- I will be a contributing and law-abiding citizen.
- I will follow the hours and room rules established for the event.
- I will not possess, distribute, or use alcohol, drugs, or tobacco products.
- I will be respectful to the environment and contribute to the greater good.

Responsibility

- I will be responsible, accountable and self-disciplined in the pursuit of excellence.
- I will live up to high expectations so I can be proud of my work and conduct.
- I will be on time to all program events.
- I will be accountable by accepting responsibility for my choices and actions.
- I will be responsible for any damage, theft, or misconduct in which I participate.

Fairness

- I will be just, fair, and open.
- I will participate in events fairly by following the rules and by not taking advantage of others.

Respect

- I will show respect, courtesy, and consideration to everyone, including myself.
- I will dress appropriately and tastefully at all events.
- I will act and speak respectfully. I will not use vulgar or abusive language.
- I will treat program areas, lodging areas and transportation vehicles with respect.
- I will appreciate diversity in skill, gender, ethnicity, and ability. 4-H does not permit statements or acts of prejudice.

PHOTOGRAPH RELEASE

Subject Name _____

Date _____

I permit Mississippi State University Extension Service to photograph my child and/or me and use those photographs for educational and publicity purposes. I release Mississippi State University and the Mississippi State University Extension Service from any claims that might arise from use of these photographs.

Signature of Subject (if 18 or over) _____

Parent/Guardian (if subject is under 18) _____

If subject is under 18, a parent or guardian must write the child's name as the subject and grant permission by signing on the appropriate line.

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