

# Animal Lease Agreement

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(For use in leasing dairy heifers, horses, and llamas.)

Colleen Brady, Youth Extension Specialist,  
and Mark Russell, Extension Animal Specialist

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to the terms of the lease involving  
Animal's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_ Reg. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Description of markings/ characteristics \_\_\_\_\_.

This lease is to run from April 1, 20\_\_ to September 1, 20\_\_ and can be canceled at any time if the lessee fails to fulfill the conditions of the agreement as specified herein.

The lessee agrees to take full responsibility for the care of the animal at the lessee's expense. This will include all necessary health care, proper and adequate nutrition, water and shelter. It is understood that the lessee will take all reasonable precautions to protect this animal from illness, injury, or suffering. However, in the case of illness or injury, the lessee will notify the lessor and report treatment and progress at reasonable intervals. The lessor has full rights to visit the animal at any time. The lessor cannot dictate the use and availability of the animal to the lessee during the term of the lease.

The lessee will insure the animal with mortality insurance for the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. The wording of the insurance policy must protect the interest of both the lessee and the lessor. The lessee will keep up the payments on the said full mortality insurance policy at the lessee's expense for the duration of the lease. In the event of the death of this animal, the lessee will notify the lessor and the insurance carrier at once, and the lessee will order an immediate necropsy by a veterinarian mutually agreed upon. If the full mortality insurance policy clause is mutually agreed upon as unnecessary, indicate its waiver by signing below.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lessor Signature and Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lessee Signature and Date

The lessee will be responsible in case of accidents, injuries, or suits arising from any action of this animal while in the lessee's care.

The leased animal must be examined by a veterinarian both at the beginning and ending of the lease as determined by a mutually agreed upon veterinarian.

If the leased animal is bred, the offspring is to remain with the female on the lessee's property until the mutually agreed upon weaning age. During the pre-weaning interval, the offspring is subject to the same lease specifications as the female. The lessee is not held responsible for an offspring that is stillborn or does not stand to nurse.