

Topic	4-H Rules and Guidelines
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Texas 4-H program maintains detailed guidelines. The main page for agents is http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/agent_resources/. The annual club year is September 1st – August 31st .

Annual Texas 4-H Rules & Guidelines provides comprehensive details on the following:

Membership and Enrollment	Membership types and age requirements. Annual enrollment participation fee of \$20 per member if received by October 31 st . \$25 enrollment fee if received on or after November 1 st .
Chartering 4-H Clubs	Types of clubs and groups, annual chartering requirements, terminating a club or group
School Absences and Participation in 4-H Competitive Activities	It is the responsibility of the local school district to determine if any student is eligible to be excused from classes to participate in any 4-H activity.
Suspension of Participation/Removal of 4-H Members	Appropriate behavior, Texas Education Agency's extra- curricular education guideline, offenses and consequences
Medical Information for 4-H Activities	Waiver, Indemnification, and Authorization for Medical Care form required. Notify event management of health or special needs issues. Confidentiality is critical.
Roles of the County Extension Agent, 4-H Volunteers and Parents of 4-H member in the 4-H Youth Development Program	Roles, youth protection standards, liability, chaperoning, removal of a parent
Financial Management	http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/files/2014/07/TX4H_FinMgt_RulesGuidelines.pdf
Other Rules and Guidelines	Dress code, 4-H name and emblem, 4-H and advertising, Cooperation with other organizations such as FFA, unescorted minor, insurance, Americans with Disabilities Act, Title IX

Resources	
Texas 4-H	http://texas4-h.tamu.edu
Texas 4-H Agent Resource Page	http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/agent_resources/
Annual Texas 4-H Rules & Guidelines	http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/files/2014/07/TX4HMGT-RulesGuidelines-1415.pdf
Financial Management	http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/files/2014/07/TX4H_FinMgt_RulesGuidelines.pdf
County agent request for waiver of participant fee	http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/files/2014/07/ParticipationFeeWaiver_1415.pdf
Waiver, Indemnification, and Authorization for Medical Care form	http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/files/2014/07/YouthEnrollmentWaiver_1415.pdf
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