

## **Farm Toy Scene (UPDATED 2020)**

This project does not have a State Fair entry

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The exhibit must include a reference list indicating where information was obtained, giving credit to the original author, to complete the 4-H member's exhibit. This reference list should/might include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is recommended this reference list be attached to the back of a poster or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the manner in which references are listed.

**Every effort will be made to keep your exhibit safe, but Purdue Extension Elkhart County and the Elkhart County 4-H Club Corporation are not responsible for lost or damaged items from your project.**

### **Requirement for judging:**

- **The project record sheet must accompany the exhibit. Be sure to cite any resources used.**
  
- 1. ***Projects will be judged by Level.***
- 2. Exhibit your display according to the guidelines listed below.
- 3. **Exhibits will be judged according to the following criteria: artistic arrangement of exhibit, detail of exhibit, and realistic farm setting around toys.**
- 4. Toys used in your display can be any scale desired, but the preferred size is 1/64 or 1/16.
- 5. Model toys may be obtained at farm equipment dealers, department stores, farm stores, and farm toy shows. Farm toy shows will probably offer the largest selection of toys.
- 6. Landscape supplies can be obtained at hobby shops, craft supply stores, and some items may be found in your backyard.
- 7. Fences, land, and roadways are not included in the maximum number of items that are included in your division
- 8. It is suggested you secure and enclose your project with Plexiglas or other materials for protection of the project

### **Exhibit Guidelines:**

#### Level A (Grades 3-4):

- Exhibit a farm scene display not to exceed 3' wide X 2' deep X 2' high in size. – Outside dimensions. This includes any and all protection (Plexiglas, etc.) that is used. The project record sheet needs to be with the exhibit for judging.
- Display must be built on rigid wood (i.e. plywood).
- Any combination of the following items may be used as long as there are NOT MORE THAN 20 ITEMS (pieces):
  - Up to 1 structure (barn, building, house, shed, silo, etc.)
  - Up to 8 animals

- Up to 8 wheel toys (tractors, trucks, equipment, etc.)
- Up to 8 extras (feeders, people, bales, etc.)
- **Roads, lanes, trees, light poles, fencerows, and a backdrop may be used to set off field or fields – These items ARE NOT included in your maximum items count.**
- The same farm toys or layout maybe used in more than one year but exhibits need to be changed, altered, or modified so as not to repeat the same exact exhibit.

#### Level B (Grades 5-6):

- Exhibit a farm scene display not to exceed 3' wide X 2' deep X 2' high in size. – Outside dimensions. This includes any and all protection (Plexiglas, etc.) that is used. The project record sheet needs to be with the exhibit for judging.
- Display must be built on rigid wood (i.e. plywood).
- Include NOT MORE THAN 40 ITEMS (pieces). Roads, lanes, trees, light poles, fencerows, and a backdrop may be used to set off field or fields – but ARE NOT included in your maximum items count.
- Any combination of the following items may be used as long as there are NOT MORE THAN 40 ITEMS (pieces):
  - Not more than 3 structures (barn, building, house, shed, silo, etc.)
  - Not more than 15 animals
  - Not more than 15 wheel toys (tractors, trucks, equipment, etc.)
  - Not more than 15 extras (feeders, people, bales, etc.)
  - **Roads, lanes, trees, light poles, fencerows, and a backdrop may be used to set off field or fields – These items ARE NOT included in your maximum items count.**
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#### Level C (Grades 7-9):

- Exhibit a farm scene display not to exceed 3' wide X 2' deep X 2' high in size. – Outside dimensions. This includes any and all protection (Plexiglas, etc.) that is used. The project record sheet needs to be with the exhibit for judging.
- Display must be built on rigid wood.
- This division is open to create any type of farm scene you want. Example: Farmstead (buildings, grain handling equipment, field work, harvesting), Farm Equipment Store, Auction, Historical Layout, Specialty Agriculture Layout, etc.
- Any combination of items may be used but:
  - Not more than 5 structures (barn, building, house, shed, silo, etc.)
  - Not more than 20 animals
  - Not more than 20 wheel toys (tractors, trucks, equipment, etc.)
- Include a short report, not more than 1 page, about “Why you chose this layout”, include explanation of layout, reason for choosing it, what your favorite piece is and why.

- **Roads, lanes, trees, light poles, fencerows, and a backdrop may be used to set off field or fields – These items ARE NOT included in your maximum items count.**
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Level D (Grades 10-12):

- Exhibit a farm scene display not to exceed 3' wide X 3' deep X 2' high in size. – Outside dimensions. This includes any and all protection (Plexiglas, etc.) that is used. The project record sheet needs to be with the exhibit for judging.
- Display must be built on rigid wood.
- This division is open to create any type of farm scene you want. Example: Farmstead (buildings, grain handling equipment, field work, harvesting), Farm Equipment Store, Auction, Historical Layout, Specialty Agriculture Layout, etc.
- Any combination of items may be used.
- Include a short report, not more than 1 page, about “Future plans for a real farm you might own”, include explanation of layout and how you would manage it.
  - **Roads, lanes, trees, light poles, fencerows, and a backdrop may be used to set off field or fields – These items ARE NOT included in your maximum items count.**
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