

St. Joseph County 4-H

Kite Flying



Guidelines:

Each member must keep a Kite Project Notebook, including a log of flying activities. The first page should only have a color photograph of the member with his/her kite and name printed neatly under the photograph. The second page must have rules and regulations neatly printed or typed. A log must be kept of actual flying activities including date, location, length of flight, and weather conditions (i.e. cloudy, calm, temperature). The log should also include whether you flew your kite alone or with club members and/or friends. Member should also include in the log any other information they feel is important.

Kite may be made of any material suitable for flying. Windssocks may be included on kite or string if desired.

Class age breakdowns for exhibiting at fair:

Age by January 1st. (of project year)

Type of Kite

8-12	Purchased Kite
8-12	Homemade Kite
13-15	Purchased Kite
13-15	Homemade Kite
16-19	Purchased Kite
16-19	Homemade Kite
8-12	2-String Stunt Kite
13-15	2-String Stunt Kite
16-19	2-String Stunt Kite

Safety Rules:

1. Never fly a kite near power lines of any kind.
2. Never fly a kite in wet or stormy weather.
3. Never use a wire of any metallic substance as a kite line. Use only a dry string.
4. Never fly in high winds without wearing gloves to protect your hands from being cut or burnt from kite lines.
5. Do not fly from or over a street, highway or railroad.
6. Do not fly near airports.
7. Survey your flying field first. Look for rocks, potholes & other debris that could trip you.
8. Get help from the utility company if your kite gets caught in a utility line.
9. If caught in a tree, the wind may lift the kite out if the line is loosened.
10. Watch out for bystanders. They may not be kite wise and you may have to be the responsible person.