PART 8—4-H CLUB NAME AND EMBLEM

§ 8.1 Policy.

The Cooperative Extension Service, of which the 4-H Club program is a part, invites and appreciates the cooperation of all organizations, agencies, and individuals whose interest, products, or services will contribute to the educational effort of the Cooperative Extension Service as conducted through the 4-H Club program.

§ 8.2 Delegation of authority.

The Director of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture, United States Department of Agriculture, may authorize the use of the 4-H Club Name and Emblem in accordance with the regulations in this part.

§ 8.3 Definitions.

4-H Club Name and Emblem as used in this part means the emblem consisting of a green four-leaf clover with stem and the letter “H” in white or gold on each leaflet, or any insignia in colorable imitation thereof, or the words, “4-H Club,” “4-H Clubs” or any combination of these or other words or characters in colorable imitation thereof.

Cooperative Extension Service, as used in this part includes the entire Cooperative Extension System consisting of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture, United States Department of Agriculture; the State Cooperative Extension Services; and the County Cooperative Extension Services.

County Cooperative Extension Service as used in this part refers to a county Extension office or equivalent Extension office operating under a State Cooperative Extension Service.

National Institute of Food and Agriculture as used in this part means the Federal agency within the United States Department of Agriculture that administers Federal agricultural cooperative extension programs.

State Cooperative Extension Service as used in this part means an organization established at the land-grant college or university under the Smith-Lever Act of May 8, 1914, as amended (7 U.S.C. 341–349); section 209(b) of the Act of October 26, 1974, as amended (D.C. Code, through section 31–1719(b)); or section 1444 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, as amended (7 U.S.C. 3221).

§ 8.4 Basic premises.

(a) The 4-H Club Name and Emblem are held in trust by the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States Department of Agriculture for the educational and character-building purposes of the 4-H program and can be used only as authorized by the statute and according to the authorization of the Secretary or designated representative.

(b) The 4-H Club Name and Emblem may be used by authorized representatives of the United States Department of Agriculture, the Cooperative Extension Services, the land-grant institutions, and the National 4-H Council, according to these regulations, for serving the educational needs and interests of 4-H youth.

(c) Any use of the 4-H Club Name and Emblem is forbidden if it exploits the 4-H programs, its volunteer leaders or 4-H youth participants or the United States Department of Agriculture, the Cooperative Extension Services, or the land-grant institutions, or their employees.

(d) The 4-H Club Name and Emblem shall not be used to imply endorsement.
§ 8.5 Revocation of present authorizations.

Effective September 16, 1985, authorization permits for the use of the 4-H Club Name and Emblem presently in effect will be revoked. However, such authorizations may be renewed upon written request.

§ 8.6 Authorization for use.

(a) The Director of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture may grant authorization for use of the 4-H Club Name and Emblem:

(1) For educational or informational uses which the Cooperative Extension Service deems to be in the best interests of the 4-H program and which can be properly controlled by the Cooperative Extension Service.

(2) For services to youth which the Cooperative Extension Service determines it is not in a position itself to perform.

(b) Authorizations, when issued, will be valid for specified purposes and periods of time only. Application forms for requesting authorization to use the 4-H Club Name and Emblem may be obtained from the Director of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

(c) Granting an authorization to an individual, organization, or institution for a specific use does not preclude granting a similar authorization to another individual, organization, or institution for the same or a similar purpose.

(d) All uses of the 4-H Club Name or Emblem shall be consistent with the educational purposes, character-building objectives, and dignity of the 4-H program and the 4-H Club Name or Emblem shall be given a position of prominence. It is not permissible to superimpose any letter, design, or object on the 4-H Club Emblem, or to materially alter its intended shape.

(e) Specific authorization is not required to use the 4-H Club Name or Emblem in media such as newspapers, periodicals, and radio and television programs when such use is primarily for educational or informational purposes. Likewise, specific authorization is not required to use the 4-H Club Name or Emblem in those exhibits, displays, etc., which are designed primarily to pay tribute to or salute the 4-H program and are in keeping with the policies enunciated herein.

(f) Authorization must be obtained for use of the 4-H Club Name or Emblem by other than representatives of the Cooperative Extension Services, the land-grant institutions, and the National 4-H Council in connection with contests and awards, books, booklets, charts, posters, and all other forms of publications; all calendars regardless of origin or use; theatrical and nontheatrical motion pictures; slides, slide films, and other visual and audiovisual materials; supplies (whether to be sold or provided without charge); and titles of persons.

(g) Any authorization or permission for use of the 4-H Club Name and Emblem may be revoked at any time after written notice.

§ 8.7 Continued use.

(a) The Cooperative Extension Services, land-grant institutions, local 4-H Clubs and groups and other officially affiliated 4-H organizations recognized by the Secretary of Agriculture and the Cooperative Extension Service are authorized to use the 4-H Club Name or Emblem:

(1) For their own educational or informational purposes according to these regulations;

(2) On materials which are originated, requested, purchased, distributed, or sold by them for use in their respective geographical areas of responsibilities;

(3) Except as specifically authorized by the above-named organizations for use within the respective geographic boundaries specified (club or group, county, area, State) and as provided for in paragraph (a)(4) of this section, manufacturers, wholesalers, jobbers, retailers, purchasers or others cannot manufacture, sell, or distribute materials bearing the 4-H Club Name or Emblem.

(4) Any proposal for distribution on an interstate, regional, or nationwide