

DEPARTMENT 300—SWINE

Junior Fair Swine Committee

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1. Exhibitors may show a total of 6 hogs at the 2023 Wood County Fair in any combination or breeding and market hogs.
 - a. example: five breeding gilts and one market hog
 - b. There is no change to the amount of hogs exhibitors may identify in May, which is a maximum of 9.
 2. Divisions - Breeds, crossbred (cross) market gilts, cross market barrows and all breeding gilts will only be split into divisions if there are 11 or more classes within the classification. Classes will be capped at 10 head.
 - a. This means if the same amount of cross market barrows and gilts (6 or 7 classes worth each) show up in 2023 as they have in the past two years, they will not be divided into divisions.
 - b. As an example, let's imagine there are 9 classes of cross market barrows and 11 classes of cross market gilts. All cross barrow class winners will compete for overall champion cross barrow, however, the cross market gilts will be divided into divisions and the division winners will compete for overall champion cross market gilt.
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All exhibitors will enter fair classes including Showmanship using Fair Entry – Entry Deadline is June 1.

Fair Schedule of Events:

Barn Open for Arrival: Saturday, July 29, at 8:00 a.m. (self-unload)

All Hogs must be in place by 2:30 p.m. Saturday, July 29

Weigh-In: Saturday, July 29, from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. in the show ring area

Mandatory Barn Meeting: Saturday, July 29, 2:45 p.m. before weigh in

Show Order: Monday, July 31, 8:30 a.m. (show order below)

1. **Showmanship:** Sr. Prelims, Jr. Prelims, Sr. Championship, Jr. Championship
2. **Breeding Gilts:** Berkshire, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Hereford, Landrace, Poland China, Spot, Tamworth, Yorkshire and Crossbred Breeding Gilts

3. **Market Hogs:** Berkshire, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Hereford, Landrace, Poland China, Spot, Tamworth, Yorkshire, Crossbred Market Gilts and Crossbred Market Barrows
4. **Grand Champion Drives** for Breeding Gilts and Market Hogs begin at 3:30 pm or 30 minutes following the last market class.

GENERAL RULES:

1. All Junior Fair Livestock Rules apply.
2. All exhibitors should be in possession of their project animals by May 1. Online entry via Fair Entry is due June 1. Swine identification will be three pictures of each pig enrolled in Fair Entry. The pictures are one of each side (two total side pictures) and a head shot clearly showing the ear notches. All pictures will be required to be uploaded to Fair Entry at the time exhibitor is entering fair classes.
 - a. No one animal(s) may be enrolled by more than one 4-H member, except for siblings (full, half or step), who may enter the same animal(s) separately in Fair Entry.
 - b. Exhibitors entering in the Wood County Born and Raised market hog contest must identify those animals by uploading a copy of the sales receipt to Fair Entry.
3. Exhibitors may show a maximum of 6 hogs, any combination of market hogs and gilts for a total of 6 hogs. Gilts can only be entered as either market or breeding, not both.
4. Health Requirements for the Swine Department are found at the front of the fair book.
5. The fair veterinarian is the only person(s) who may possess and administer controlled substances in the swine barn.
6. All hogs must be free of performance enhancing drugs during the swine show.
7. Ractopamine/Paylean is now allowed at the 2023 Wood County Fair.
8. Physical tampering of hogs to improve show performance is strictly prohibited and could include forfeiture of premium monies or expulsion from the show or future shows.
9. Exhibitors are responsible for daily care of their projects, including, but not limited to feeding, watering, cleaning pens and manure management (all manure must be dumped in appropriate areas). Failure to maintain a healthy and humane environment may result in disciplinary action, which could include forfeiture of premium monies or expulsion from the show or future shows. **REMINDER: Exhibitors must provide their own waterers.**
10. Any acts determined to be cruel or inhumane may result in immediate expulsion from the show and may result in additional punishment for future years.
11. Water is the only acceptable topical substance to be used on show day. Example: oils, powders, or paints are unacceptable. If a substance is found, the hog will be disqualified from the show.
 - a. Sprayers will be available for use by exhibitors once they enter the holding area.
 - b. Only exhibitors and show personnel will be allowed into the holding area.

12. Pens must be cleaned out on the last day of fair or no premium (this includes tack pens). Pen Mats must be picked up and placed on the skid outside the barn.
13. All swine must weigh 210 lbs. or heavier to be eligible for premiums.
 - a. Hogs may be re-weighed only if their weight is less than 210 lbs. Re-weighing must take place immediately and will be the final weight.
 - b. Hogs weighing less than 210 lbs. will show in an exhibition class but will not be eligible for grand champion competition or the premium sale.
 - c. The maximum market weight is 290 lbs. Hogs weighing more than 290 will show in an exhibition class but will not be eligible for grand champion or the premium sale.
 - d. The maximum weight for crossbred breeding gilt will be 325.
 - e. Purebred breeding gilts will show by birthdates.
14. Exhibitors may exhibit any breed with an established registry in the United States (Berkshire, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Hereford, Landrace, Poland China, Spot, Tamworth and Yorkshire) or Crossbreds.
 - a. There will be no minimum requirement for a breed to be offered. All breeds will be offered for both breeding and market classes.
15. Purebred registration papers for purebred barrows and gilts are required. They **MUST** be presented during fair weigh-in or pigs will show as crossbreds. Registration papers and breed characteristics will be evaluated **during the fair weigh-in process**.
 - a. Ownership information on pedigree(s) must match the name of the exhibitor at the Wood County Fair. Farm names, failing to explicitly list the exhibitor, are not acceptable for establishing proof of ownership. If John Doe is showing at the fair, John Doe must be listed as an owner on the pedigree.
 - i. **Example:** Doe Family Farms – fails to explicitly establish John Doe as an owner and is **not** acceptable.
 - ii. **Example:** Doe Family Farms: John Doe, Jane Doe and Julie Doe, explicitly establishes John as an owner and **is** acceptable.
 - b. Ear notches on pedigree(s) must match the pig being exhibited.
 - c. Any pigs failing to meet pedigree or breed characteristic requirements (according to their respective breed association) will show as crossbreds.
 - d. Swine Committee decisions related to pedigree and breed characteristic requirements are considered final.
 - e. Purebred paperwork must show ownership date of no later than May 1st, 2023.
16. Champions, Reserve Champions, third, fourth and fifth overall, will be selected for all breeds, and overall champions.
 - a. The 3 highest placing hogs per class will be eligible for top 5 honors for breeds with more than one class.
 - i. If divisions are offered, the top 5 for that breed will be selected from the top 5 within each respective division.

- b. Only Breed Champions and Reserve Breed Champions will be eligible for Overall Top 5 honors.
17. This is a partial-terminal show. Grand champion overall and reserve grand champion overall market hogs will be harvested.

All other market hogs will either:

- a. Sell through premium sale and be harvested via the Fair Board provided truck on Sunday night or *self-transported custom harvest using a slaughter verification form (leave same time as retained ownership)
- b. Sell directly to market via the Fair Board provided truck on Sunday night or *self-transported custom harvest using a slaughter verification form (leave same time as retained ownership)
- c. Remove from fairgrounds Tuesday morning August 1 scheduled for 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and retain ownership (must complete a retained ownership form and be released by the swine committee chair or designate)

Breeding gilts are not eligible for premium sale but may be consigned to market or retained and removed at the same time as retained market hogs.

SHOWMANSHIP:

1. Sign up in Fair Entry by June 1 deadline. If in doubt, sign up, as fair sign up will not be allowed.
2. Showmanship will be divided by showman age as of January 1st of current year.
3. All exhibitors must show their own hog in showmanship.
4. Age divisions are Seniors 14-18, Juniors 8-13
5. There will be an overall champion Jr. and Sr. Showman. There will be a banner for 1st place and a plaque for 2nd-5th place in both the Jr and Sr Division.
6. The Supreme Senior Showman will represent the Swine Department in the Showmanship Sweepstakes.

BREEDING GILTS:

1. Breeding gilts must be farrowed on or after December 1 of the prior year
2. Purebred breeding gilts will show by age within their respective breed.
3. Crossbred breeding gilts will show by weight.

MARKET HOGS:

1. Purebred market hogs will show by weight only (barrows and gilts together)
2. Crossbred market hogs will show by sex and weight (barrows and gilts show separately).

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

1. In instances where a packer may assess a fee for reasons related to added slaughter procedures, the fee will be incurred by the exhibitor. Warning: Shaved pigs have a higher than average chance of incurring added slaughter charges.
 - a. Hogs should not be clipped shorter than ½ inch.

2. Anyone wishing to relocate animals in the barn, (even within their own club) must first seek approval from the Junior or Senior Fair Swine Committee.
3. The protest procedure is described elsewhere in this book. Anyone suspecting foul play of any kind should refer to that area and follow the outlined steps to file a protest.