

# SWINE

This is a State Fair project. Poster Projects will have NO BEST OF SHOW SELECTED. You do not have to qualify at the County Fair to exhibit at the State level (must be enrolled at county level by May 15) State Fair Entry Deadline is June 1.

Swine will be divided into levels by current grade in school. The level will be determined by the 4-H'ers grade during the current school year (September-August).

**NOTE:** All swine must be in member's possession and properly enrolled on the official swine enrollment form by **May 15**.

**\*\*All swine must be ear tagged before they arrive at the fair.**

## SWINE – Check-in and judging in Livestock Pavilion

**Check-in: Monday, June 16, 7 a.m.-Noon**

**Weigh-in:**

**Judging: Wednesday, June 18, 9 a.m.**

**Non auction animals dismissed: Wednesday, June 18, after conclusion of show**

## PORK ASSOCIATION FEE

A \$5.00 per pig Pork Association member fee will be collected the day of check-in at the 4-H Fair.

## PROJECT REQUIREMENTS:

1. Each year, you are **required to complete QLC (Quality Livestock Care) by June 1**. If not completed by June 1, you will not be eligible to show your animal.
2. Complete the Grant County 4-H Livestock Record Sheet. Place in green record book and turn in at the fair.

**ALL GRADES: EXHIBIT ONE OR MORE ANIMALS FED AND CARED FOR BY MEMBER SINCE MAY 15 AND SAME CONTINUOUS OWNERSHIP AND CARE UNTIL DATE OF SHOW.**

## FEEDING AND CARE OF ANIMALS

1. 4-H'ers are responsible for the daily feeding and care of their animals during the 4-H fair week.
2. Pens should be cleaned and fresh bedding added when needed during the fair week. Pens will be monitored for cleanliness, and you will be notified if not acceptable.
3. Watering of hogs:
  - a. Automatic waters will only be permitted in designated pens.
  - b. Must have a signed request for one of the designated automatic water pens to the Grant County Pork Association by May 15.
  - c. May only use a non-leaking nipple style watering device.
  - d. Watering device must be secured tightly so it will not tip or spill.
  - e. No watering pans.

## GROOMING ASSISTANCE-GRANT COUNTY FAIR RULE

4-H exhibitors may receive clipping and grooming assistance from members of their immediate family (father, mother, and siblings), from a current Indiana 4-H member, and from individuals in the Approved Animal Grooming Assistance Program by June 1.

Temporary guardianships established from the intent of animal exhibition or grooming purposes are not permitted and shall result in immediate disqualification.

## **RULES:**

**All animals must be in good physical condition before the animal can be unloaded at the fair or be shown, for example, no broken limbs, no serious wounds, no foot rot, sore mouth or ring worm.**

**Registration certificates are required for all purebred barrows and gilts at the 4-H Swine Show. These certificates must be presented when the animals are checked in and weighed at the fair. The registration certificate must be registered in one of the following ownership methods:**

1. In the 4-H member's name
2. John Smith and Sons
3. John Smith, Sons and Daughters
4. John Smith and Family (family includes sons, daughters, and legal guardian youth only)
5. Mark Smith (brother) and Mary Smith (sister)
6. Family Corporations, where the 4-H members' name appears as a holder of stock in the corporation, and proof of same must be supplied on or before the enrollment date
7. Family partnership where the 4-H members father, mother, brother, sister, aunt, uncle, grandparent, and/or legal guardian is also in the family partnership and the 4-H member's name appears on the legal, notarized partnership. A copy of the written document must be attached to the enrollment form before the enrollment deadline.

## **SHOW RING DRESS CODE**

Every 4-H member must bear in mind the following while showing his/her livestock project through the 4-H program at the Grant County Fair.

- a. Your attire is portraying an image of yourself.
- b. You are representing your club.
- c. You are representing the Grant County 4-H program.

Therefore, you should be as neat and clean as possible. Judges will be directed to consider appropriateness of show ring attire while evaluating placings and showmanship skills. **It is recommended that you wear a shirt with a collar, long pants, and close-toed shoes or boots while showing and selling livestock. It is suggested that you NOT wear tank tops, t-shirts (other than when approved or provided), midriffs, halter-tops, excessively baggy pants, shorts, cut-offs, sandals, or baseball caps.**

## **Swine Show Order**

Breeding Gilts

Barrows

\*A breed will be completed, then move to the next breed.

The order of showing breeds will be as follows: Berkshire, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Hereford, Landrace, Poland China, Spots, Tamworth, Yorkshire, and Crossbred.

## **Gilts:**

1. All gilts for the **Grant County Fair** must be farrowed on or after **November 1, 2024.**
2. All gilts for the **Indiana State Fair** must be farrowed on or after **December 1, 2024.**
3. Crossbred gilt classes will be divided by weight with no more than 8 pigs per class.

## **Barrows:**

1. An exhibitor is limited to six animals in the market barrow classes.
2. All barrows for the **Grant County Fair** must be farrowed on or after **November 1, 2024.**
3. All barrows for the **Indiana State Fair** must be farrowed on or after **December 1, 2024.**
4. Crossbred & Breed barrow classes will be divided by weight with no more than 8 pigs per class. Breeds with less than 6 barrows will have only one class. All champion barrows will show for Grand Champion of the show.

**Boars:**

Not allowed.

\*Refer to the General Livestock Rules and the Rules for 4-H Livestock State Fair Entry for pre-entry State Fair deadlines.

**CLASSES:****BREEDING GILT CLASSES**

1. Crossbred & Breed gilt classes will be divided, with no more than 10 pigs per class. All champion gilts will show for Grand Champion of the show.
2. Purebred Breeding gilt classes will be divided by no more than a 30 day spread.

**BARROWS**

1. Barrow classes will be divided by weight, with no more than 10 pigs per class.
2. Barrow classes will be shown by weight. For selection of Champion Crossbred Barrow, classes will be divided into two sections: (Light and Heavy if there are more than 10 classes. If there are less than 10 classes, there will be no split). The winners of each of these two sections will be eligible for selection as champion crossbred barrow.

**SWINE SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES**

1. Senior Showmanship - grades 9, 10, 11, and 12 during the current school year. (September-August)
2. Junior Showmanship - grades 5, 6, 7 and 8 during the current school year. (September-August)
3. Novice Showmanship - grades 3 and 4 during the current school year. (September-August)

\*Winners of the Novice Showmanship and Junior Showmanship are not eligible to advance and compete in the Junior and Senior Showmanship, respectively, that same year.

**JUNIOR (GRADES 5 - 8) AND SENIOR (GRADES 9 - 12) CHAMPION SHOWMEN ARE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE IN THE PREMIER SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST.**

\*Winners of Showmanship (Novice, Junior, and Senior) are eligible to compete in the next years 4-H Fair Showmanship classes.

**AUCTION RULES:**

**\*The 4-H Member must exhibit during the Swine Show in order to be eligible to sell in the livestock auction.**

**4-H animals purchased, sold, or offered for sale after the enrollment deadline and prior to the Indiana State Fair (including animals that have gone through a "Premium only Auction"), shall not be eligible to show in the 4-H Show at the Indiana State Fair.**

**Auction Order: Grand Champion Barrow, Reserve Grand Champion Barrow, Grand Champion Market Gilt, Reserve Grand Champion Market Gilt, Champion Barrows, Champion Gilts, Reserve Champion Barrows, Reserve Champion Gilts, 10 Year members who show swine.**

4-Hers can sell no more than one animal in the sale, and this animal must have been shown in one of the classes.

Sale weight will be the official weigh-in weight.

A 6% commission of the overage pay per animal sold will be collected by the Auction Committee.

You have until **May 15** to add or drop this project from your current year's enrollment.