



Swine Exhibitors-

Please read this enrollment and exhibition information carefully

Swine Enrollment- All swine enrollment is due online by 11:59 pm Wednesday, May 15, 2024. Log into your family profile on in.4honline.com to enroll animals. Complete livestock enrollment instructions are enclosed. County-only animals must have the breed, sex, birthdate, ear notch, and Premises ID- enter zeros in any other lines that require a number. Animals you are considering taking to the Indiana State Fair must have breed, sex, ear notch, birthdate, Premises ID, and 15-digit RFID tag number entered. Be sure to check the box that says you or a family member intend to exhibit at the State Fair. All State Fair animals must also submit hair samples. See more information under "State Fair Exhibitors."

Animals are automatically co-enrolled among all youth enrolled under the same 4-H Online family profile (siblings and possibly step-siblings.) Animals may be IDed under a single 4-H member in 4-H Online and be exhibited by a different sibling listed in the same family profile. Animals DO NOT need to be entered under each 4-H member in the family. However, it is suggested that at least 1 animal be IDed by each member enrolled in the project.

Quality Assurance Training- All swine exhibitors are required to complete either Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) **OR** Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care (4-HQLC) each year. YQCA can be completed online at <https://yqcaprogram.org> for \$12. YQCA is recommended if you plan to show at any open or large national shows, including any NSR sponsored shows. Indiana 4-H is no longer affiliated with YQCA- any questions need to be referred to YQCA. 4-HQLC will be offered in-person a few times before the fair- see the enclosed flyer. Register through 4-H Online. Either training will be accepted at any Indiana 4-H Show.

State Fair Exhibitors- In addition to completing online enrollment, you must also submit hair samples of animals you intend to enter for the Indiana State Fair. Special envelopes that should be used for this collection are available at the Purdue Extension Office. **These hair samples must be turned in to the Extension Office by May 15.** More information about how to collect hair samples is included in this mailing, including a link to a how-to video and detailed instructions.

Indiana State Fair Entry- If you plan to exhibit at the Indiana State Fair, four things must happen:

- 1) You must enroll your animals into 4-H Online by 11:59 pm Wednesday, May 15. Be sure to include all information and click the box saying you intend to exhibit at the State Fair.
- 2) You must turn in hair samples for all animals you are considering exhibiting at the Indiana State Fair to the Purdue Extension Office by May 15 (the black mailbox outside the office is a locked drop box. We will check it on Thursday morning, May 16. No other samples will be accepted after that time.)
- 3) You must have an 840-RFID tag assigned to each animal you plan to enter for the state fair, which will be recorded on the online Indiana State Fair entry form.
- 4) You can enter online by going to <http://www.indianastatefair.com/state-fair/competitionscontests/4-h-competitions/>. The Purdue Extension Office does not enter animals for the Indiana State Fair, and enrolling animals into 4-H Online and clicking the "Intend to Exhibit at the State Fair" DOES NOT enter you for the Indiana State Fair. If you have questions about State Fair entries please call the State Fair Entry Department at (317) 927-7515. The Purdue Extension office does not have anything to do with State Fair entries and we do not have the capabilities to look them up or confirm anything.
- 5) **State Fair has a rolling deadline, but fees increase significantly after June 1.**

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840-RFID tags for State Fair exhibitors- All swine going to the Indiana State Fair will be required to have an 840-RFID tag. The 840-RFID tag will be required to correspond with an animal's ear notch that you will provide when you complete the Indiana State Fair entry form. Since you can enter up to 30 animals for 4-H and the Indiana State Fair, but can only exhibit four animals at the State Fair, the following procedure will take place:

- 1) Come to the Purdue Extension Office during regular business hours (Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.) to pick up 840-RFID tags for each animal you intend to enter for the Indiana State Fair. Each tag costs \$3. Checks may be made payable to Tipton County CES with "swine tags" in the memo line of the check. You will need your BOAH issued Premises ID number when you pick up tags.
- 2) Assign an RFID tag to each pig so it corresponds with its breed and ear notch. The RFID number is on the small round 'female' portion of the tag. It will read like 840 XXX XXX XXX XXX.
- 3) Enter all of that information in your 4-H Online entry, as well as your Indiana State Fair entry. Make sure all numbers are correct. The large, 'male' part of the tag is also your 5-digit county number- you may enter that as well but it is not required.
- 4) **All pre-assigned RFID tags MUST be applied prior to arriving to the Tipton County 4-H Fair or the Indiana State Fair.** 4-H Volunteers will NOT be responsible for inserting RFID tags into animals that have been entered to the Indiana State Fair. This will be strictly enforced.

Swine Influenza Vaccination- Under the guidance of the Indiana State Board of Animal Health, all 4-H swine exhibited at the Tipton County 4-H Fair are strongly recommended to have a 2-dose swine influenza vaccination. Please note that these vaccines must be administered two weeks apart, so please call your veterinarian to learn about when to administer doses. Do not wait until the week before the fair.

County Only Swine and Ear Tags- Animals that are being exhibited at the Tipton County need to be enrolled online by May 15 using the animal's ear notch, birthdate, and breed. County only animals do not require an RFID number prior to arriving to the Tipton County Fair. However, RFID/county tags sets will be available if you would like to insert them before the fair or if you plan to exhibit at open shows throughout the summer. You may pick up the tags any time after May 16; tags are \$3 each. You will need your BOAH issued Premises ID Number when you pick up your tags.

Ractopamine and feed additives- The Indiana 4-H program is not restricting the use of supplements such as Ractopamine (often sold under the trade name of Paylean). However, many packers are not accepting animals that have been given the supplement. Please speak to your desired packer before you feed this additive to your market animals.

The 4-H Swine Show will take place on Saturday, July 13 starting at 10:00 a.m.

If you have questions, please contact Brian Howell at 765-675-1177 or Swine Superintendent Bryan Cline at 765-860-3700.