

SWINE

EXHIBIT GUIDELINES

1. 840-RFID tags will be required for ALL swine.
2. Any emergencies not covered by these rules shall be handled by a majority vote of the Swine Advisory Board.
3. A 4-H member will be allowed to show a maximum of four pigs. It can be a combination of any of the following: one gilt and 3 barrows, two gilts and two barrows, or three gilts and one barrow. You must have one of the opposite genders to do so.
4. All barrows must be castrated at least 90 days before the exhibition.
5. Each animal must be identified by accurate ear notches and must be reasonably clean, free of mange, lice, and obvious signs of rhinitis, or the Swine Advisory Board has authority to reject them.
6. Any swine with less than ½" hair in the required area (from the tail head to the ears) will be allowed to show but may not be guaranteed to sell as determined by the buyer.
7. The Swine advisory board in charge of the Swine exhibit will decide how pigs are to be penned. Pens will be separated into township groups. Aisles and pens are to be kept clean and free of feed equipment at all times.
8. All swine will be continued to be monitored throughout their stay on the fairgrounds. Any swine showing flu-like symptoms and with a temperature of 105 degrees and above will be sent home.
9. Cleanliness of pens will be expected from all 4-H members. Any member that fails to maintain a clean and sanitary pen and provide adequate food and clean water will receive one warning from the Swine leader. Please refer to page 10, rule #16 under the Animal Project General Rules for further disciplinary action.
10. No painting to alter the animal's natural color will be allowed.
11. Purebred swine must meet all breed characteristics set forth by their respective associations.
12. If you bring a pig that weighs less than 200 pounds you can show it, but are to take that pig home on load-out night.
13. RFID tags are required for all swine exhibiting at the State Fair and tag numbers must be listed on the Animal Identification area of 4-H Online by May 15th. Hair samples for all swine exhibiting at the State Fair are due to the Extension Office by May 15th. Tags for ALL State Fair bound swine must be in the ear prior to arrival at the Whitley County 4-H Fair.

BARROW GUIDELINES

1. All Barrows must be farrowed on or after December 1, 2022.
2. Barrows weighing between 220-300 lbs. will be eligible for the selection of breed champions and if under 220 lbs. or over 300 lbs. will be eligible to show in their respective weight class, but will not be included in the selection of breed champion.
3. Barrows will be listed according to breed and weight and divided into approximately even classes.
4. All Purebred Barrows must be recorded in the exhibitor's or partnership name and a certificate of registration presented when pigs are unloaded. Barrows without registration papers will show in the crossbred class.

GILT GUIDELINES

1. All Gilts must be farrowed on or after December 1, 2022. Purebred Gilts will be listed by age (December, January, February, March, etc.) and divided into approximately even classes.
2. All Purebred Gilts must be recorded in the exhibitor's or partnership name and a certificate of registration presented when pigs are unloaded. Gilts without registration papers will show in the crossbred class.
3. Crossbred Gilts will be listed according to weight and divided into approximately even classes.
4. **NEW FOR 2023!** Crossbred gilts weighing between 200-350 pounds will be eligible for the selection of champion. If a crossbred gilt is under 200 pounds or over 350 pounds, they will be eligible to show in their respective weight class, but will not be included in selection of champion.