

DEPARTMENT K—HOGS/SWINE

Opening Ceremonies: Tuesday, 8:30 am

Judging: Tuesday, 9:00 am

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Rules: See Rules Governing Entries, Exhibitions and Awards, General Rules and Rules for Livestock

GENERAL RULES:

1. **Any market swine unloaded on the grounds will be considered terminal and be shipped for slaughter or to a licensed stock yard at the conclusion of the fair.**
2. Swine must be purchased and in the possession of the exhibitor by May 1st of current year.
3. Swine must be either barrows or gilts.
4. Ear tagging will be mandatory for swine. Official swine tags must be registered with the Superintendent(s) by midnight May 1st.
5. Swine members will each be allowed to tag up to 5 feeder pigs in May.
6. Swine and ear tags must be clean and readable on tag registration paperwork and at fair weigh-in.
7. Swine will be checked into the fairgrounds on the first Sunday of fair from 7-9 am. **Swine will be weighed on Monday of fair from 7-9 am.** Any animal not presented for weigh-in on Monday, by the member or representative, must be immediately removed from the grounds by the member. Swine will NOT be reweighed.
8. Youth member or representative must be present at time of unloading, weighing and initial care of animal.
9. A waterer with a nipple must be secured in the pen prior to or at the time of unloading and must remain in the pen for the duration of the fair. Exhibitors whose hogs go to the Grand Champion barn must provide a nipple waterer to be placed in the Grand Champion barn for the duration of the fair after the show. Leaving buckets of water in pens is prohibited.
10. Tack stalls/pens will NOT be allowed. Tack boxes will be allowed and must be secured to the rear of the pen. All supplies and supplements, etc. must be stored in or on tack boxes or outside the swine barn/tent. Cleaning tools, including but not limited to shovels, wheelbarrows and forks must be removed from the swine barn/tent immediately after use.
11. No feed may be left in the swine barn/tent. All feed MUST be stored outside the swine tent.
12. Swine must be a minimum of 220 lbs. and a maximum of 300 lbs. at fair to be eligible to sell in the auction.
13. Exhibitor may sell an overweight hog at 300 lbs. provided the member does not have another hog within market weight.
14. Swine over maximum market weight are not eligible to show in championship drive.
15. Members may have two (2) market swine; one (1) may be sold in the auction with the exception that Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, Champion Gilt/Barrow, or Reserve Champion Gilt/Barrow, Champion/Reserve Champion Pair must sell.
16. Order of swine sale to be
 - a. Grand Champion Market Hog
 - b. Reserve Champion Market Hog
 - c. Champion Gilt/Barrow
 - d. Reserve Champion Gilt/Barrow
 - e. Champion Pair of Hogs
 - f. Reserve Champion Pair of Hogs
 - g. 1st place Carcass Class Swine
 - h. 2nd place Carcass Class Swine
17. The remainder of the sale order to be determined randomly by the superintendents.
18. Members must designate which animal they wish to sell by the posted deadline, otherwise the exhibitor's heaviest animal will be sold.
19. Members will be given the ability to place a "NO SALE" designation on their MARKET animal by the posted deadline. This animal will be eliminated from the Auction bill unless it is Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, Champion Gilt/Barrow, or Reserve Champion Gilt/Barrow, Champion/Reserve Champion Pair.
20. All exhibitors must turn in shipping information for their second hog (if necessary) during weigh-in. If shipping information is not turned in the exhibitor's second hog will be shipped to public Livestock Auction.
21. The use of a snare or restraints will NOT be permitted on the fairgrounds, with the exception of use for medical treatment.
22. Failure to comply with any of the rules, or lack of care of a member's animal, may result in removal of the exhibit and forfeiture of sale privileges and/or loss of exhibiting privileges for not more than 2 years at the Eastern Michigan State Fair.

DIVISION 1 - SWINE SPROUTS (5-7 years)

1. Sprouts (Showmanship Only) members will use a sibling's or borrowed hog.
2. Sprouts are not eligible to enter market livestock classes and/or the market livestock auction.

Class 9001: Sprouts-Record Book
Class 9002: Sprouts-Showmanship

DIVISION 2 - SWINE SHOWMANSHIP

To show in this section the exhibitor must have made entry and show in market swine class

Class

Class 9010: Junior—8 to 10 Years
Class 9011: Intermediate—11 to 13 Years
Class 9012: Senior—14 to 16 Years
Class 9013: Advanced Senior—17 to 19 Years

Awards: 1st – 6th place - Supreme Champion Showman: open to the winner of each swine showmanship class

DIVISION 3 - RECORD BOOKS

1. Must be turned into member's club leader by 5 pm the day of fair weigh-in.

Class 9020: Junior Swine record book 8-13 years
Class 9021: Senior Swine record book 14-19 years

DIVISION 4 - EASTERN MICHIGAN STATE FAIR SWINE CHALLENGE & ROOKIE OF THE YEAR CONTESTS

1. These contests are designed to reward the all-around competitor and will include educational contests, show arena placings and any other contest deemed eligible by the swine superintendents.
2. Swine Challenge will recognize a minimum of the top 5 exhibitors and maximum of top 10 exhibitors based on cumulative points.
3. Rookie of the Year contest is designed to recognize the all-around exhibitor in their first year of exhibiting a large animal (beef, sheep or swine) and points will be tallied using the same point systems and placings as the Swine Challenge.
4. Points for all swine members will automatically be tallied, excluding sprouts.
5. A minimum of five contests will be offered each year, with a minimum of at least one low score being dropped. Showmanship and market class will be included each year. Additional contests and bonus points will be determined each year by the superintendents.

Class 9030: EMSF Swine Challenge
Class 9031: Rookie of the Year: first year large animal exhibitors only

DIVISION 5 - MARKET SWINE

1. Hogs will be shown by sex (gilt/barrow) and weight, being divided into classes of approximately equal weights, 8-10 animals per class, if possible. Exhibitors may show any combination of gilts and/or barrows but are limited to two animals per exhibitor.
2. Weight breakdowns will be made by superintendent(s).
3. Awards will be given for Grand & Reserve Champion Market Hog, Champion & Reserve Gilt, Champion & Reserve Barrow.

Class 9040: Market Swine

DIVISION 7 – MARKET SWINE PAIR

1. Both hogs in a market swine pair must weigh within ten pounds of each other.
2. Market swine pair classes will be divided by total weight.

Class 9050: Market swine pair

DIVISION 8 – HOME-GROWN SWINE

1. Home grown definition: The dam was owned by and cared for by the exhibitor at the time of farrowing.
2. Home grown animals must be declared on tag registration paperwork to designate the animal as eligible for home grown awards.
3. The highest placing homegrown animal from each market weight class will compete for Homegrown Champion.

Class 9060: Home-grown swine

DIVISION 10 - CARCASS CLASS

1. All carcasses deemed to be of high quality by the judge will be eligible for Grand and Reserve Carcass and may sell in the livestock auction.
2. Exhibitors are responsible for private sale of all carcass animals not selling in the livestock auction.
3. A member may enter a maximum of two carcass animals.
4. Member may use any animal that they registered official tags in May.
5. A beginning weight is not required for carcass class.
6. Animal must be of market weight and eligible to sell in the auction as written in general rule for swine at time of carcass class weigh-in.

Class 9080: Carcass Class