

**FFA SWINE DEPARTMENT**

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**SCHEDULE**

**Thursday, August 13**

- 5:00 a.m. Swine may arrive  
 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. All Swine check-in and turn in weigh cards  
 Noon Swine must be in  
 5:00 p.m. Exhibitor Meeting (East Show Ring)

**Friday, August 14**

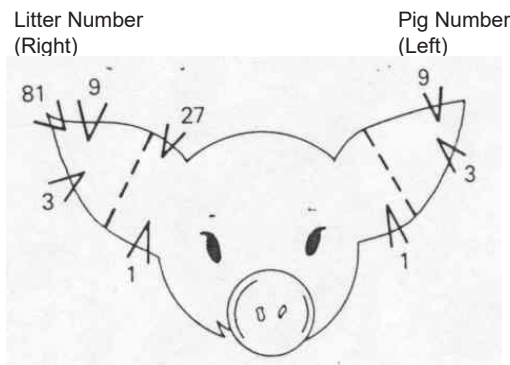
- 8:00 a.m. Purebred Market Swine Show (West Show Ring)  
 Breeding Swine Show (East Show Ring)  
 Commercial Gilts  
 Registered Gilts  
 Supreme Champion Breeding Gilt  
 After Show All Commercial and Registered Breeding Gilts released (Top 5 Purebred Market Hogs MUST stay for final drive on Saturday)

**Saturday, August 15**

- 8:00 a.m. Crossbred Market Swine Show  
 Market Barrows  
 Market Gilts  
 Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Pig (includes division winners in Market Barrow, Market Gilt and Purebred divisions)  
 After Show Swine released  
 7:00 p.m. Swine must be out

**DEPARTMENT RULES**

- General rules and regulations and health requirements listed on the Iowa State Fair website and in the FFA section apply in this department, with special emphasis on the following sections: Member Eligibility, Supervision and Lodging, Good Conduct Policy, Medication and Drug Testing, and Showing and Fitting Ethics.
- Nominations must be submitted online on or before June 1.** Nomination fee is \$5 per head. A maximum of 40 head may be nominated.
- All pigs must have been ear notched at birth and identified using the universal ear notching system (1-3-9-27-81). Any small or irregular notches will disqualify animals. All pigs must have notches in both ears. Tears or injuries to the ears that occur after nominations should be documented and brought to the attention of the swine committee prior to arrival at the Fair. **Ear notches will be checked at State Fair and must match nomination and entry records. If you have any questions about reading ear notches, please get a second opinion.**



**Right Ear:**

The right ear is used for litter mark and all pigs in the same litter must have the same ear notches in this ear. The right ear is the pig's own right.

**Left Ear:**

The left ear is used for notches to show individual pig number in the litter. Each pig will have different notches in this ear. The left ear is the pig's own left.

- All swine must be owned by the nomination due date by the exhibitor, or in a partnership, school sponsored cooperative or a corporation. Ownership must be maintained from the nomination date through the exhibition date of the show.
- Corrections to existing nominations (submitted on or before the nomination deadline) must be made in writing to the FFA Entry Department on or before July 1.
- Entries must be submitted online on or before July 10.** Entry fee is \$15 per head. A pen is approximately 4x4 feet and will accommodate **two** pigs. Only wood shavings or straw may be used for bedding (no sawdust, cobs, etc.).
- All FFA Swine Exhibitors must have YQCA status. A copy of the certificate of status must be submitted with swine entries.
- Swine may be in the barn starting at 5:00 a.m. and must be in the barn by noon on Thursday, August 13. Late animals (those which arrive after noon on August 13) will not be accepted. All FFA swine will be released after the Market Swine Show on Saturday, August 15 and must be out by 7:00 p.m. on August 15.
- Hair length should NOT be shorter than 1/2 inch.**

10. **DECLARED WEIGHTS.** A declared weight system will be used for official weights. A weight card obtained from the superintendent's office must be filled out by all market exhibitors and turned in by the designated time. The weight turned in will become the official weight. If weight cards are not turned in by the deadline those animals will not be eligible to show in their respective shows.  
Scales will be provided in areas throughout the barn; such scales are unofficial and are provided for exhibitors' convenience only. Official scales will be used by Superintendents to determine official weights. No other scales will be allowed.  
The top two animals in each class will be weighed immediately following their class to determine if they are eligible to return for division champions. Pigs not weighing within 15 pounds of its official weight will be disqualified. All market swine and commercial gilts are subject to be selected to be weighed.
11. Only immediate family members, FFA advisors and fellow active FFA chapter members shall be permitted to assist with fitting. Exhibitors who hire professionals shall not qualify for showing awards.
12. FFA chapter signs may be placed above pens to attract people to FFA exhibitor pens. However, individual farm signs and advertising will not be permitted.
13. There shall be no coloring agents, powder or oil used on hogs. Hogs in violation will not be allowed to show.
14. Drug Affidavits are required for ALL FFA Swine.
15. No drugs or medications or medical treatment of any kind may be administered at the show except by an Official show Veterinarian. All animals will be subject to chemical testing and analysis of saliva, urine, blood, other excretions or tissues to determine whether a substance or drug has been induced or whether a substance or drug has been introduced to interfere with the testing procedure. Positive tests will result in forfeiture of ribbons, trophies, premiums and sale prices.
16. A purple, blue, red or white ribbon will be awarded to each entry.
17. Only purple and blue ribbon winners can be named Champion of a show/division/class.

**REGISTERED GILTS - DIVISION 1  
SPECIAL RULES**

1. Breeding swine exhibitors must follow FFA Swine Department rules listed on previous pages.
2. **Nominations must be submitted online on or before June 1.** Nomination fee is \$5 per head. A maximum of 40 swine may be nominated.
3. Entries must be registered in the name of the exhibitor. However, ownership can be with a family partnership or corporation or school sponsored cooperative.
4. Only registered pigs farrowed on or after January 1 this year may be shown in purebred classes. All breeding swine must have been ear notched at birth and identified using the universal ear notching system (1-3-9-27-81). All pigs must have notches in both ears. Fresh ear notches will disqualify animals. The use of tattoos **shall not** be considered for approved identification instead of ear notches.
5. All FFA Registered Gilts must be identified by all of the following methods at nomination time:
  - a. Ear notches
  - b. FFA issued ear tag
  - c. Breed
  - d. Hair samples to be used for DNA testing
6. **Entries must be submitted online on or before July 10.** Entry fee is \$15 per head. Each exhibitor may enter and show a maximum of **SIX** registered breeding gilts.
7. Check-in of registration papers of registered breeding swine and turn in of weigh cards will be on Thursday, August 13. Name, date of birth and registry number of each animal entered will be collected at check-in time. Registered breeding animals must meet all qualifications of the National Breed Registry Rules.
8. There must be at least three exhibitors in the show (not entry) to have a separate division. If only two or fewer exhibitors are showing in a breed division, that division will be cancelled and its entries will show in Other Recognized Breeds.
9. Number of pigs in each class will be determined by the number shown in each breed and will be divided by birth date. If there are 15 or fewer gilts shown in a division, there will be one class; 16-30 shown, two classes.
10. Premiums will be paid to the top three in each class. Premiums paid will be: \$20, 10, 5.
11. Class Champions and Reserve Champions will receive rosettes.

Special Note:

1. Poland Chinas registered in the Spot Herdbook may show in Spot Classes if evidence of this registration is provided by the exhibitor.
2. A qualified animal may be shown by an exhibitor as a Spot or as a Poland China, but an animal so qualified may not show in both breeds, either in individual or group classes.

<b>BREED</b>	<b>Class</b>
Berkshire	1
Chester White	2
Duroc	3
Hampshire	4
Landrace	5
Poland China	6
Spotted	7
Yorkshire	8
Other Recognized Breeds	9

**COMMERCIAL GILTS - DIVISION 2  
SPECIAL RULES**

1. Commercial gilt exhibitors must follow FFA Swine Department rules listed on previous pages.
2. **Nominations must be submitted online on or before June 1.** Nomination fee is \$5 per head. A maximum of 40 swine may be nominated.
3. Entries open to grade or crossbred gilts farrowed on or after January 1 of the current year.
4. All gilts must have been ear notched at birth and identified using the universal ear notching system (1-3-9-27-81). All pigs must have notches in both ears. Fresh ear notches will disqualify animals. The use of tattoos **shall not** be considered for approved identification instead of ear notches.
5. All FFA Commercial Gilts must be identified by all of the following methods at nomination time:

- a. Ear notches
- b. FFA issued ear tag
- c. Hair samples to be used for DNA testing

All nominations and weighing shall be supervised by one FFA advisor and another adult.

- 6. **Entries must be submitted online on or before July 10.** Entry fee is \$15 per head. Each exhibitor may show **TWO** commercial gilts.
- 7. Commercial gilts cannot be from the same litter from which gilts are shown in registered classes, nor can they be shown in market classes. Commercial gilts must have been born on or after January 1, 2020 and on or before March 31, 2020.
- 8. Commercial gilts weigh cards will be turned in to break classes at the east edge of the show ring from 9 :00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 13. Gilt classes will be broken by weight. **Minimum weight for commercial gilts is 230 pounds.**
- 9. Each class will have no more than 17 gilts.
- 10. Commercial gilts will be judged on the basis of their potential value as breeding stock in profitable commercial swine operation.
- 11. A purple, blue, red or white ribbon will be awarded to each entry.
- 12. Premiums will be paid to the top three in each class. Premiums paid will be: \$20, 10, 5.
- 13. Champion and Reserve Champion Commercial Gilts will be selected from the first, second and third place winners in each division determined by the number of exhibits.

**CLASS**

19	Commercial Gilts.....	Ribbon
	Champion Commercial Gilt .....	Rosette
	Reserve Champion Commercial Gilt.....	Rosette

**MARKET SWINE - DIVISION 3  
SPECIAL RULES**

- 1. Market swine exhibitors must follow FFA Swine Department rules listed on previous pages.
- 2. **Nominations must be submitted online on or before June 1.** Nomination fee is \$5 per head. A maximum of 40 swine may be nominated.
- 3. All market pigs must have been ear notched at birth and identified using the universal ear notching system (1-3-9-27-81). All pigs must have notches in both ears. Fresh ear notches will disqualify animals. The use of tattoos **shall not** be considered for approved identification instead of ear notches.
- 4. All FFA Market Swine must be identified by all of the following methods at nomination time:
  - a. Ear notches
  - b. An FFA issued ear tag
  - c. Breed, if registered, or Crossbred
  - c. Sex of Pig
  - d. Hair samples to be used for DNA testing

All nominations and weighing shall be supervised by one FFA advisor and one other adult.
- 5. **Entries must be submitted online on or before July 10.** Entry fee is \$15 per head. Each exhibitor may enter a maximum of **FOUR** crossbred market pigs and **FOUR** purebred market pigs.
- 6. Entries open to purebred, crossbred and/or grade pigs, either barrows or gilts, fed for market that were **farrowed on or after January 1, 2020** and weighing at least 230 pounds. Any pigs weighing less than 230 pounds cannot show. There is no maximum weight, and there will be no reweighs. Pigs weighing less than 230 pounds will not be eligible for exhibition or premiums. Pigs must be owned by the exhibitor, or in a partnership or a corporation.
- 7. Registered market pigs must be specified by breed on the nomination form and be in compliance with the market hog show rules if they are to qualify for exhibition in the market swine breed classes.
- 8. Market swine registered with their national swine breed association, may be shown by breed if there are six or more entered and shown in any specific breed. If fewer than six are shown, they will be shown in Any Other Breeds Class. Verification of individual registration papers for market individuals in the breed classes must be completed during check-in on Thursday, August 13. A Top Five Purebred Market Hogs will be selected and held for the Final Drive on Saturday.
- 9. Gilts shown in market classes cannot be shown in registered nor commercial gilt classes.
- 10. All FFA crossbred and purebred market pigs must turn in weigh cards at the designated check-in time.
- 11. Market pigs will be shown by weight, breed and sex classes with not more than 17 pigs shown in any one class. Champion and Reserve Champion barrows and gilts will show for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Swine.
- 12. The show reserves the right to RE-WEIGH any and all FFA Market Hogs immediately following exhibition in the show ring and reserves the right to conduct random tests. Hogs that deviate more than 15 pounds from their documented weight will be disqualified.
- 13. **Hair length should NOT be shorter than 1/2 inch.**
- 14. This is a non-terminal show. Good biosecurity measures must be followed as pigs leave the Fairgrounds.
- 15. Pigs in each weight class will be placed in purple, blue, red or white award groups according to type, finish and market desirability.
- 16. Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from the first, second and third place winners in each division in each weight class. A top 5 registered purebred market swine will be selected from all the breeds. Weight class champions and their reserves along with the top 5 registered purebred market swine will compete for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion.
- 17. Premiums will be paid to the top three in each class. Premiums paid will be: \$20, 10, 5.

**CLASS**

20	Division Champions will receive rosettes and \$25; Reserve Division Champions will receive rosettes and \$15. There will be six total Divisions.	
	Grand Champion Market Hog .....	Banner & Rosette
	Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog.....	Banner & Rosette

**FFA SWINE SPECIALS**

To be announced.