

TO: 2019 FFA Swine Exhibitors

FROM: FFA Entry Department

Thank you for entering the 2019 Iowa State Fair. Your exhibitor admission ticket, and load/unload permit(s) have been sent to your advisor. Each exhibitor will be given one load/unload permit that allows 30 minutes to load/unload animals and tack, but does not provide parking. The vehicle load/unload permit has been dated for the FFA Swine Show. Please enter the Fairgrounds through gate 8. Vehicles entering the State Fairgrounds from Saturday, August 3rd to Sunday, August 18th, **MUST** have a load/unload pass. Contact your advisor for this pass. Vehicles without a permit will not be allowed to enter the Fairgrounds. NOTE: Please remember to bring wood blocks to use when parking/setting your trailer.

Swine may begin arriving at 12:01 a.m. on Tuesday, August 6th and must be in by 2 p.m. on Tuesday, August 6th.

Upon arrival please take your animals' health certificates to the Veterinary Office for approval. Health certificates must be examined, approved and stamped by the veterinarian in the Veterinary Office prior to animals being checked in. Health Certificates not completed properly will be denied and the owner will be required to obtain a new certificate at owner's expense. The Iowa State Fair must be listed as the destination.

New for 2019: In coordination with Metro Waste Authority, the Iowa State Fair will dispose of waste livestock bedding as a compostable material. In addition to being environmentally friendly, this program puts our waste to a better use and helps reduce disposal costs. We need the help of exhibitors, superintendents, and attendees to make this program successful. Please make sure to keep bedding clear of unaccepted material such as paper, cans, show supplies, feed bags or leftover food that could disrupt the composting process. Your cooperation is much appreciated!

All Swine exhibitors are required to fill out the Iowa State Fair FFA Animal Care and Management Disclosure Statement which can be found at <http://www.iowastatefair.org/participate/competition/how-to-enter/#ffa>. The Animal Care and Management Disclosure Statement must be on file before the exhibitor can show their livestock. **ALL treatment given to animals since nomination time must be listed on the Statement.**

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 (4-H, FFA, Open Class) 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 are subject to be selected to be weighed.

Please read the rules and regulations listed in the Premium Book. A few rules to note:

- All FFA exhibitors are expected to conduct themselves in a cooperative and courteous manner while participating in FFA events at the Iowa State Fair.
- At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises **medication of any kind is to be administered to livestock animals by an Official Iowa State Fair Veterinarian ONLY.** If an FFA exhibitor or his/her assistant administers a shot or medication, this exhibitor shall be barred from showing and premiums will be taken away.

- **No drugs or medications of any kind may be administered at the Fair except by the order of the Official State Fair 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 immediate disqualification of the animal, forfeiture of ribbons, trophies, premiums and sale prices. The exhibitor of that animal and the exhibitor's family may be barred from participation in future Iowa State Fairs.
- **THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS AND THE PRESENCE OF DRUG RESIDUE IS PROHIBITED.** Exhibitors may not use stimulants of food or beverage products that may contain stimulants such as caffeine.

Livestock Release Procedure

To help alleviate traffic congestion and expedite load out procedures a process for livestock release will be used again this year. Please familiarize yourself with the following steps. Cooperation from all exhibitors is greatly appreciated and will provide a better experience for everyone.

1. Exhibitor will go to the barn office to obtain a release form no earlier than 30 minutes before scheduled release time.
2. Exhibitor will take the release form to the appropriate trailer lot to receive their load-out mirror hanger. **ALL** vehicles picking up livestock **MUST** go to a trailer lot to get a load-out mirror hanger before being allowed on the Fairgrounds.
3. Trucks and trailers will be lined up according to species/barn.
4. Vehicles will be released from trailer lots to the Fairgrounds.

Commercial and Registered Breeding Gilts will be released beginning after the Blue and Gold Gilt Sale on Thursday, August 8th. All other swine will be released after the Market Swine Show Awards Program and must be out by 9 p.m. Friday, August 9th.

Please make every effort to keep your area clean and neat. The aisles must be open at all times to the public. Thank you for helping us put on a great display of quality show animals for all visitors and other exhibitors.

If you have any additional questions, please contact the FFA Entry Department by phone at 515-262-3111 ext. 246 or by email ffa@iowastatefair.org.

Thank you and good luck at the 2019 Iowa State Fair!

SCHEDULE

Tuesday, August 6th

12:01 a.m.	Swine may arrive
9:00 a.m. –3:00 p.m.	All Market Swine check-in and weigh-in
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.	All Registered Breeding Gilts and Commercial Gilts check-in and weigh-in
2:00 p.m.	Swine must be in

Wednesday, August 7th

8:00 a.m.	Carcass Value Swine weigh-in and scan
10:00 a.m.	Exhibitor Meeting (east show ring)
10:30 a.m.	Showmanship (east show ring)

Thursday, August 8th

8:00 a.m.	Purebred Market Swine Show (west show ring)
8:00 a.m.	Breeding Swine Show (east show ring)
	Commercial Gilts
	Registered Gilts
2:00 p.m.	Derby Swine Show (west show ring)
7:00 p.m.	Blue & Gold Gilt Sale Parade
7:30 p.m.	Blue & Gold Gilt Sale
After Sale	All Commercial Registered Breeding Gilts released

Friday, August 9th

7:00 a.m.	No hogs can be loaded on Friday until the release of all hogs except for Gilts sold in the Blue & Gold Gilts Sale
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	Market Swine Show Awards Program (begins 45 minutes after selection of Grand Champion Market Pig)
After Program	Swine released

9:00 p.m.

Swine must be out