

Market Swine

Superintendent: Diana Johnson

Judge: TBD

All entries are subject to the general rules.

***NO CARPET WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE SWINE AREA. AG / 4-H CLUBS WITH
CARPET WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.***

NO OUTSIDE SCALES ALLOWED ON GROUNDS.

1. Dates and times:

- **Arrival:** March 25, 2015 (Wed) 6 a.m. — 11 a.m.
 - **Weigh-in:** March 25, 2015 (Wed) 8 a.m. — 12 noon
 - **Judging:** March 26, 2015 (Thurs) Following the Breeding Swine Show which begins at 2 p.m.
 - **Release:** Following the selection of Showmanship winners following the naming of Overall Grand and Reserve Champions.
2. ***2. All barrows and gilts must weigh a minimum of 230 lbs. and not exceed 290 lbs. There will be a 3 lb. tolerance given for scale variation.***
 3. All pigs MUST be CLEAN, DRY, and CLIPPED at the time of weigh-in.
NO CLIPPING IS ALLOWED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS.
 4. No outside scales will be allowed. Official scales will be provided.
 5. **A classifier will classify the pigs as they come across the scales according to the classification guidelines of the National Swine Registry (NSR).** Neither exhibitors nor parents will be allowed to talk to the classifier. Decisions of the classifier are final; protests or harassment of the classifier or show officials will be grounds for immediate disqualification.
 6. If a pig classifies out, it will be assigned to the crossbred classes.
 7. Any animal not meeting the weight of 230 lbs. will not be eligible to be sold at floor prices and must leave the fairgrounds following weighing out on Wed, March 27. Ear tags will be cut out at time of weigh-in. Gilts will be allowed to show in the breeding show. If the exhibitor elects to show in the breeding show the ear tag must be removed.

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- a. *All market swine entered in the DCLA Youth Fair must be ear notched at time of tag-in.*

Ear notches must be drawn on the entry blank at the tag-in by the exhibitor or someone designated by the exhibitor. Ear notches will be checked at weigh-in and must match the ear notches drawn on the entry.

- b. All animals must be properly ear notched within seven (7) days of birth with a litter notch in the right ear and individual notch in the left ear to be eligible for the Texas 4-H and FFA Swine Validation Program. Animals not properly notched in both ears will be disqualified.

8. Division Superintendent must be notified of any weigh-in discrepancy or classification issue within 1 hour of the posting of weights.

9. Show Order: Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, Other Purebreds (OPB), and Crosses. The OPB class shall consist of the Berkshire, Chester White, Landrace, Poland China, and Spotted breeds.

10. Animals will be randomly drug tested at the discretion and direction of the Superintendent.

11. Breeds will be divided into Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, OPB, and Crossbred. A minimum of ten pigs is required to make up a breed. Otherwise, they will be placed into classes as decided by the swine superintendents. Classes will be broken at the discretion of the division superintendents into breed and weight classes, with the classes being as evenly divided as possible.

12. Pigs will be stalled 3 or 4 to a pen as assigned by the superintendent.

The exhibitor MUST provide dividers.

- a. Aisles must be kept open and clear. Show boxes and equipment must be kept above or in pens.

13. Only water may be used for dressing animals for the show. *Swine must be clipped before coming to the fairgrounds.*

14. Only Exhibitor and their Market Swine projects will be allowed in the Staging area.

(Staging area is described as the holding pen animals enter prior to entering the show arena). **Only Show Officials will be allowed in the Staging area. NO PARENTS, AG SCIENCE TEACHERS, 4-H LEADERS, SIBLINGS, FRIENDS, ETC... WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE STAGING AREA. THIS WILL BE STRICKLY ENFORCED.**

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15. Grand Champion, Reserve Champion, and the showmanship division winners will receive belt buckles. *Thank you notes will be provided and must be written at that time to receive your award.*
16. First and second place swine in each class will compete for Breed Champion and Reserve. Breed Champion and Reserve will show for Overall Grand and Reserve Champions.
17. Sale order will be picked on a percentage basis of the classified animals each breed / class not to exceed a total of 50 swine. Percentages from each class will be posted before the market swine show begins.
18. **This is a terminal show for Grand and Reserve Grand market swine, and they must be slaughtered.**
19. ***This is a **TERMINAL SALE** for ALL **Market Swine** making the sale. The 50 pigs making the sale become property of the DCLAYF as soon as they exit the show arena. The only way a pig can be pulled from the sale is if they have two or more Market Animals qualifying for the sale.***
20. All premium sale animals will be permanently identified by the DCLA.
21. At the completion of the premium sale, the remaining 48 sale pigs can be purchased from the DCLAYF at the current floor price plus additional \$500 cash. If two or more parties attempt to purchase a pig from the sale, then the contending bidders will participate in a "bid off". Bids will be increased in increments of \$50 until the pig is sold. Designated DCLAYF officials must be notified by 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 28th, 2015 the intent to purchase any sale qualifying market pig (s). All bidding and purchasing must be finalized by 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 28, 2015. This includes full payment in cash.
22. If any Exhibitor, Family Member, Hired Employee, Volunteer 4-H Agent, 4-H Leader or Ag. Teacher makes any attempt other than those outlined above in rules #17 thru #20 to remove a sale qualifying pig from the sale, they WILL BE PROSECUTED TO THE FULLEST EXTENT OF THE LAW. In addition, all parties involved which includes; Exhibitor, Immediate Family Members, Volunteer, Hired hand, 4-H Agent, 4-H Leader or Ag. Teacher will be banned for life from participation in the DCLAYF.

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23. All exhibitors will be allowed to show for showmanship.

Divisions:

- a) Juniors — 13 and under
- b) Seniors — 14 and older as of March 1, 2015.

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The following are the descriptions of swine breeds as listed by the National Swine Registry (NSR): **ALL BREEDS:**

BERKSHIRE.

1. A Berkshire shall be black and white with erect ears exhibiting Berkshire character.
2. Must have white on face and tail (unless tail is docked) and must have white on at least three of its four legs.
3. Must not have a solid white or solid black face from the ears forward.
4. Must not have a solid black nose (rim of nose).
5. White is allowed on the ears, but neither ear can be entirely white.
6. One occasional splash of white may appear on the body.

CHESTER WHITE.

1. Must possess Chester White breed character.
2. Must be solid white in color; NO color on skin larger than a silver dollar; NO colored hair.
3. Ears must be down and medium size.

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4. Any signs of weighted ear tags or evidence of past existence of such ear tags are determined to be not permissible and are grounds for disqualification.

DUROC:

1. Must be red in color and possess Duroc breed character. (Ears must be down and medium size.

2. Must NOT have any white hair located on the animal.

3. Must NOT have any black hair.

4. Must NOT have more than three black spots on the skin and none of these spots can be larger than 2 inches in diameter.

5. Must NOT have any shading or indication of a belt.

HAMPSHIRE:

1. Must be black in color with a white belt starting on a front leg. The belt may partially or totally encircle the body.

2. Must possess Hampshire breed character. (Ears must be erect and not rounded.).

3. Must NOT have any white hair or indications of streaking on the forehead.

4. Must NOT have any red hair.

LANDRACE:

1. Must be white in color and possess Landrace breed character. (Ears must be down).

2. Must NOT have any colored hair other than white.

3. Must NOT have more than 3 spots of skin pigmentation.

4. Must NOT have any spot of skin pigmentation larger than a U.S. minted quarter.

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POLAND CHINA:

1. Must possess Poland China breed character.
2. Must be black with a white face and switch (unless tail is docked). Three of the four legs must be white. May have an occasional splash of white on the body.
3. Must have ears down.
4. Must NOT have evidence of belt formation.
5. Must NOT have any red or sandy hair and / or pigment.
6. Hogs that have weighted ear tags or evidence of tampering of ears with possible ear tags are ineligible.

SPOTTED:

1. Must be black and white.
2. Must possess spotted breed character.
3. Ears CANNOT be erect.
4. Must NOT have any red tinted or brown spots
5. No solid black head from ears forward.
6. No distinct white belt pattern (hair or skin) encircling and extending down and onto each shoulder.
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YORKSHIRE:

1. Must be white in color and possess Yorkshire breed character.
2. Ears must be erect.
3. Must NOT have any colored hair other than white.
4. Must NOT have colored skin pigmentation larger than one U.S. minted silver dollar.
5. Must NOT have masking above the eyes larger than a silver dollar.