

2023-2024 CITRUS COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION
TERMINAL MARKET SWINE SHOW RULES & REGULATIONS

1. (A) All Exhibitors must be 8 years of age as of September 1, 2023 to show and sell a swine. Exhibitor must register their animal with the Citrus County Fair Association. All exhibitors must be a Citrus County 4-H or FFA member for the duration of their project. The 4-H Club or FFA Chapter must be recognized by the 4-H office or School to register to show a sale animal.

(B) Entry form and Entry fee of \$30.00 (non-refundable) must be in the fair office on or before 5:00 pm Friday, September 15, 2023. No post marked or metered mail will be accepted after this date.

(C) MANDATORY TO ATTEND ONE EDUCATIONAL MEETING. The Livestock Committee will present at least **two** educational meetings during the project period (August through February). REFER TO THE IMPORTANT DATES AND EDUCATIONAL MEETING INFO SHEET. The Exhibitor and a Parent or Legal Guardian **WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND TOGETHER**, at least **ONE** of these to **SHOW** and **SALE**. Exhibitor and Parent or Legal Guardian, must **STAY** for the meeting **AND** sign in and sign out to receive credit for attending. If you and your parent or legal guardians are unable to attend one of these meetings, the intended exhibitor should not register an animal to show and sale.

2. (A) There is a limit of 63 Individual entries and 2 Club / Chapter entries and alternates as drawn - to be enforced only if entries exceed more than 65. This would be done by a lottery drawing. The drawing will be held at the scheduled Swine Educational Meeting.

(B) (1) 4-H Club and (1) FFA Chapter swine will be drawn after 63 individual entries have been drawn. After the 2 clubs / chapter swine have been drawn, and then all other 4-H Club or FFA Chapter entries will be drawn for alternate positions after the individual entries for alternates have been drawn.

(C) If an 11th grade exhibitor was drawn and remained as an alternate for the entire 2023 fair and successfully completes their project, including a completed Record Book and completes all 4-H and/or FFA requirements they will be automatically eligible to show in their 12th grade year, at the 2024 Fair.

3. Exhibitor may show and sell only one hog. 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters may show and sell only one hog per group.

4. (A) A current Health Certificate must be presented prior to animal being removed from the trailer for tagging and all weigh ins. The Health Certificate will be at the owner's expense.

(B) Hogs must be brought to the fairgrounds on the date designated by the Livestock Committee for initial tagging. All Hogs must be tagged with USDA tags at that time. No hogs will be accepted at initial tag in without that **OFFICIAL USDA IDENTIFICATION** and the Fair is not able to tag any animals with USDA official tags. All Exhibitors must be present at initial tag in unless excused by the Livestock Chairman. All hogs must be castrated prior to tag in. Each hog will be tagged with a CCFA Numerical Tag at initial tag in.

(C) In the event a hog loses its **OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION TAG, OR the CITRUS COUNTY FAIR NUMERICAL TAG, YOU MUST NOTIFY THE FAIR OFFICE WITHIN 72 HOURS.** If the lost tag is the USDA ID Tag, then a replacement USDA TAG must be obtained and the animal retagged. Once the retagging is complete, the fair office must be notified. If the lost tag is the CCFA Numerical tag, retagging prior to entry into the fair is at the discretion of the Swine Superintendent or the Livestock Chairman. No hog will be off-loaded from the trailer at final weigh-in without Official USDA identification tag.

5. All hogs must weigh a minimum of 230 lbs. at the final weigh-in and must grade U.S. #1. An ultrasound machine will be used with the USDA grading formula to determine grades. All sifted hogs must be removed from the fairgrounds and will not be shown or sold.

6. Hogs may be either a Barrow or Gilt only. **NO BOARS. SHOW GILTS MUST NOT BE HOUSED WITH BOARS AFTER THE INITIAL TAGGING.**

7. All hogs must weigh a minimum of 230 Lbs. at Fair weigh in to be eligible for show and sale. The Livestock Committee will divide all hogs into classes by weight.

8. Exhibitors will not be paid for (nor will any buyer be charged for) any weight over 300 Lbs.

9. All hogs will be graded using an ultrasound machine and weighed before judging to be given an official grade; ONLY US # 1 hogs will be shown and sold.
(A) All hogs accepted in the show must be consigned to the auction sale to be harvested.
(B) Any hog with lice, ticks or other parasites will be disqualified and not accepted into the show.
(C) All sifted or disqualified hogs must be removed from the grounds immediately.
(D) The management will not sponsor a sale for disqualified or sifted hogs.
(E) Hogs may not be shaved. Hog may be clipped with minimum of ½ inch hair length.
(F) Exhibitors and their parent or guardian will be required to sign a drug certificate which must be turned in at final weigh in. Their animal must not have been given any medications that are not past the proper withdrawal period of time.
10. Grooming will be done by the Exhibitors only. **No oil based grooming products will be used on animals per recommendation of processors. Water based products are acceptable.**
11. Two separate Buyer Letters (One to a Previous Buyer and one to a New Buyer, Addressed, Stamped, and unsealed with your name and your return address) will be required for sale animal exhibitors, and must be turned in to the Fair Office. Buyer Letter deadline is on the Important Dates and Educational Meeting Info sheet. Only two (2) letters will be accepted at the Fair Office; however, you are encouraged to send out more on your own. All exhibitors must use the current list of previous buyers posted online at citruscountyfair.com or you can pickup a list from the Fair office.
12. **AWARDS & PREMIUMS: RIBBONS WILL BE AWARDED 1st THROUGH 6th**
1st \$10, 2nd \$5.00, 3rd \$4.00, 4th \$3.00, 5th \$2.00, 6th \$1.00
- Exhibitor wishing to compete in the Optional Showmanship and pay a non-refundable \$10.00 fee, deadline is on the Important Dates and Educational Meeting Info sheet. *This fee is non-refundable, even if your swine is sifted and doesn't show.
- Payout for Showmanship is a % of entry fees collected. Ribbons will be awarded 1st - 6th
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| 1 ST | 25% OF THE ENTRY FEES | 4 TH | 15% OF THE ENTRY FEES |
| 2 ND | 20% OF THE ENTRY FEES | 5 TH | 12 1/2% OF THE ENTRY FEES |
| 3 RD | 17 1/2% OF THE ENTRY FEES | 6 TH | 10% OF THE ENTRY FEES |
13. Each exhibitor will be required to bring an unopened 50 Lb. bag of Pig/Swine feed upon entry to the Fair.
14. Mandatory to attend Barn Set-up or Barn Clean-Up - **REFER TO THE IMPORTANT DATES AND EDUCATIONAL MEETING INFO SHEET. Exhibitor must sign in and sign out to receive credit for attending.** Anyone unable to attend must contact the Livestock Committee Chairman, in writing, prior to Barn Set-up **OR** Barn Clean-up. Failure to attend and participate in Barn Set-up **OR** Barn Clean-up will result in a **\$150.00** fine or forfeit their premium monies, to be put into the Dr. Dumas Scholarship fund.
15. Thank you letters for Buyers, Add-Ons, Skill-a-thon and all Awards must be in the Fair Office before a check will be issued to the Exhibitor. Bring your letters to the Fair Office; deadline is on the Important Dates and Educational Meeting Info sheet. **(No Letters will be taken at Barn Clean-up)**. Letters must be stamped, addressed and **unsealed with your name and your return address on the envelope**. All money will be withheld until letters are written. **Should deadline be missed there will be a \$150.00 fine or forfeit your premium monies and Exhibitor will become ineligible to Show/Sale for the following Fair year.** Sponsor address label is on the bottom of all awards and a list of Sponsors with addresses is on file in the Fair Office.
16. All exhibitors are encouraged to participate in the optional Swine Skill-a-thon during Fair Week. The age of skill-a-thon and record books will be determined by the Exhibitor's age, prior to September 1, 2023.
17. All Livestock Exhibitors will be admitted Free for the duration of your project through the Livestock Gate. **ALL OTHERS MUST PAY GATE PRICE OR SHOW A FAIR MEMBERSHIP CARD. THE MEMBERSHIP DEADLINE IS ON THE IMPORTANT DATES AND EDUCATIONAL MEETING INFO SHEET.**

18. This is a Terminal Show. No Market Animal may be shown in **ANY SHOW** after it has been sold in the live auction at the Citrus County Fair. Any exhibitor doing so will become ineligible to participate in the Citrus County Fair next year. If the exhibitor is a graduating senior, a 25% assessment of the sale price will be charged.
19. Failure to comply with any of the above rules and regulations will subject the exhibitor to disqualification and removal from the project or Fairgrounds.

EXHIBITOR: FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS BE SURE TO READ THE LIVESTOCK ADDENDUM, **IAFE AND NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS**, THE CITRUS COUNTY FAIR GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULES & REGULATIONS AND THE LIVESTOCK SCHEDULE AS THEY PERTAIN TO ALL LIVESTOCK SHOWS.

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