

# Junior Market Swine Show

*Chairman – Trina Paige*

**Entry Fee:** \$25 per animal, **Entries Close:** September 5, 2025, 4pm Fair Office

**Validation:** Saturday, July 12, 2025, 6:30am to 8:30am

**Arrival and Check-In:** Friday, October 10, 2025, 8am-7pm

**Weigh-In Time:** Weight Cards must be submitted to the Swine Committee no later than 7:30 pm on Friday, October 10, 2025

**Judging Time:** Saturday, October 11, 2025, 2:30 pm

**Early Release:** Sunday, October 12, 2025, 8am - 10am, All Non-Placing Only

**Release Time:** Sunday, October 19, 2025, 7am - 11am

## Rules:

### Validation

1. All hogs must be ear-notched prior to validation and must be validated and tagged by a Swine Committee member on Saturday, July 12, 2025, from 6:30am to 8:30am at the Fairgrounds or Pearland High School Richard L. Wagoner Agricultural Facility located at 4715 Bailey Rd, Pearland, Texas (trailers allowed), or Alvin ISD Bobby G. Verdine Agricultural Science Center located at 12970 CR 190, Alvin, TX 77511 for hogs housed at the Alvin barn only (No trailers).

A. There is not a cap on the number of hogs that each exhibitor may validate, only two (2) may show, and only one (1) can sell.

B. If the Exhibitor has more than one hog in the class, any eligible 4-H or FFA member may show one of the hogs for the Exhibitor. The Swine Committee must be notified prior to the start of the show.

C. All hogs may be validated and entered as a Family Exhibit. Exhibitors must declare at weigh-in which hog they will show at the Fair.

D. For Exhibitor and animal protection, all hogs and trailers must be clean and sanitary upon arrival at tag in gate. All animals and/or trailers that are found to be unsanitary upon inspection will be turned down for validation unless properly presented by 8:30 am. Determination of cleanliness will be decided by the Swine Committee.

E. All re-tagging request must be made via e-mail to the Livestock Coordinator. The Livestock Coordinator will notify the swine committee via email. Re-tagging of hogs will not be done if notification was not done in the above manner.

2. Barrows or Open Gilts may be shown in this department.

**Check-in:**

3. All market hogs will be weighed by the exhibitor on designated scales in the swine barn provided by the swine committee. The official scales in the show arena are off limits and will only be used and operated by the swine committee on show day. Unauthorized use of official scale could result in disqualification.

4. The weigh slip is the individual official weight submitted in the swine office to the swine committee and designates which hog the Exhibitor will show on the day of judging. No changes can be made to the weight slip once it has been submitted. No exceptions.

4a. Once weight slip is turned into swine office, each exhibitor will be issued two (2) designated wristbands. One wristband for the exhibitor and must be worn at all times during the show. The second wristband may be used for any adult designee determined by the exhibitor.

**DESIGNATED WRISTBANDS ARE NOT VALID FOR FAIR ENTRY.**

5. Absolutely no hogs are allowed in the Swine Barn prior to check-in time. If a hog is in the barn prior to check in time, the Exhibitor will be required to remove the animal until the time of check-in.

**Show:**

6. Hogs will be separated into ten classes with class one weight range of 250 pounds, classes two through ten will be 251 pounds to 290 pounds divided equally by weight.

7. Auction sale slots will be posted for each class indicating the number of hogs that will go to auction. The number of sale slots for each class will determine the number of top of class hogs that will be penned by Judge and reweighed before final placing. Example: if class 1 has three sale slots, the top three hogs will be reweighed. If class 7 has five sale slots, the top five hogs in that class will be reweighed. Any hog weighing less or more than ten (10) pounds of the individual weight turned in will be disqualified. After all the weigh backs are complete, the Judge will finalize and confirm the class placings for each class. In the event a hog is disqualified, the next hog in the placing will move up and be weighed.\*

8. After the last class has been judged, Junior (ages 8-10), Intermediate (ages 11-13) and Senior (ages 14-19) Showmanship Contest. Winners will be announced immediately. SEE GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULE #17.

9. During swine show event, access to pen and arena areas will be restricted and monitored. Those with designated wristbands will be allowed access during show, however, wristbands must be worn and visible at all times. No exceptions. Ag teachers, 4-H leaders, and Swine committee members are required to visibly wear their designated wristbands at all times during the show.

10. Hogs may have only water applied to their skin on the day of show upon entering the show arena. All oil-based products and residues must be removed before entering the show arena. Water only allowed.

**Release:**

11. All non-placing animals must leave the grounds on Early Release, Sunday, October 12, 2025. Non-placing animals consist of any hog placing eleventh and below during the judgment of animals. Failure to remove non placing animals shall be disqualified from next year's Swine Show.

12. All hogs that qualify for an auction slot, must remain for the duration of the fair. All placing hogs (those placing 1<sup>st</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>) have the option to remain given there are enough hog pens.\*

**General:**

13. The entries and awards in this department are subject to General Livestock and Fair Rules printed in this Catalog, unless otherwise specified.

14. Exhibitors will be required to keep their pens in a clean condition by removing all waste, unsecured feeders, and water pans/ buckets when not in use. Only shavings will be allowed as bedding for the pens. Exhibitors are responsible for providing their own shavings. The barn area will be inspected frequently. All unsecured items found in animal pens will be removed and placed at the wash racks.\*

15. Exhibitors must furnish feed (ground or pelletized), feeders and water containers. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and caring for their exhibits through the duration of the Fair. Any Exhibitor failing to feed, water or keep the pen clean will be issued a written warning. After the third written warning, the Exhibitor shall remove their exhibit from the Fairground premises and shall be disqualified from next year's Swine Show.

16. Hogs will not be clipped in the Swine Barn or on the Fairground premises. Any Exhibitor failing to comply shall be disqualified from the Swine Show and the exhibit shall be removed by the Exhibitor at Early Release on Sunday, October 12, 2025.

17. The Swine Committee will designate pen assignments. Pen assignments will be posted on the Sunday before fair starts by 1:00pm. Pen assignments will have two exhibitors per pen when necessary. Exhibitors are responsible for providing a divider for their exhibit, if needed.

18. A sick bay area for hogs will be established with authority given to Chairman to move hogs to this area if necessary.

19. All Exhibitors are responsible for their exhibit until release from the fair by a Swine Committee Member or Livestock Superintendent.

20. For Exhibitors eligibility requirements, see General Livestock Department Rules.

21. Any animal that exhibits signs of being unethically altered or fit will be disqualified. See General Livestock rule 11.

**Classes**

Market hog classes are divided into ten classes. See rule 6.

\*2025