

## MARKET SWINE DIVISION

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1. Market Swine division is subject to the General Rules and Regulations in addition to these Division Rules.
2. All exhibitors must abide by all other rules to be eligible to show.
3. No substitution or refund of entry fees will be allowed of exhibitors because of failing grades making exhibitor ineligible to show their entry.
4. **Eligibility**
  - a. See General Rule #4i.
  - b. Swine must be owned and cared for by the exhibitor under the supervision of Agricultural Science Instructor or County Extension Agent. Continuous ownership and care of the animal must be maintained from tag-in to show time by the exhibitor at the exhibitor's residence. See General Rules #11 for exceptions.
  - c. Swine exhibitors must have a Release of Liability/Jr. Market/Breeding Certification Form checked online with entry
5. **Tag-in Requirements in July:**
  - a. The official tag in date is listed on the website as well as in the important dates to remember.
  - b. Swine will be tagged in each ear. (Any swine that loses both ear tags will be unable to check-in or show their animal in October. Contact Swine chairman in any such case that a tag is lost.
6. **Entry Fee & Entry Information**
  - a. \$25.00 per entry
  - b. \$25.00 for each alternate animal
  - a. All entries must be entered online by the date listed on website and in the important dates to remember to avoid a late fee.
  - c. All exhibitors in the same family unit after paying \$25.00 per entry may show any of the animals entered in the family plan. All exhibitors' names must be included on the entry form. There must be one animal per exhibitor to be listed on entry form. There is no limit to the number of swine you may tag-in in July. Exhibitor may only weigh and exhibit one (1) swine in October.
7. **Weigh-in October**
  - a. Adult representative must accompany exhibitors 12 years of age and under across the weight scales on day of weigh-in.
  - b. Exhibitors may only weigh and exhibit one (1) Market Swine in October.
  - c. Swine will be weighed one time on certified scales at times listed above. Exhibitor must declare their animal at the time of weigh in.
  - d. Weights are between 210 and 280 with a ten (10) pound tolerance.
  - e. Swine not making the desired weight will immediately be backed off scales; scales balanced and will be re-weighed one time only. May not leave scales and come back to reweigh.
  - f. No carpet will be allowed in the barn.
  - g. Bedding saw dust or shavings will be allowed in barn at exhibitor's expense.
  - h. All swine must be castrated by Oct. weigh in.
8. **Showing of Animal**
  - a. No grooming aids (such as: Gojo, show sheen, alcohol, etc.) other than soap and water will be allowed. No exceptions. Violators will not be permitted to show their animals.
  - b. No paint, adhesives and/or grooming products allowed on day of show.
  - c. Clipping on grounds- All clippings must be properly disposed of in designated areas (trash, dumpsters, and waste disposal locations). No snaring of animal is allowed.
  - d. Only Market Swine committee members and/or personnel designated by Market Swine committee will be allowed in show arena.
  - e. In case of accident/illness, see General Rule #12.
  - f. There will be no change of the major color pattern of the Market Swine by painting or dyeing.
  - g. Each exhibitor/owner must be able to show his/her Market Swine unassisted.
  - h. Swine Classes will be divided into equal numbered classes, with the number of classes determined by the livestock Superintendent. These classes will be divided by weights and number of entries. There will be three divisions, Light weight, Medium weight and Heavy weight with a champion and reserve chosen from each division who will then compete for the overall champion and reserve swine.
  - i. Division between classes may vary in numbers if there are duplicate weights at the break point.

- j. The judge will place the top of each class according to the number of classes determined after weigh-in. Others will be excused from the ring.
- k. If there is a withdrawal, animals placing lower in that class will be moved up. Removal from auction form must be completed and turned into the livestock office by deadline listed on website.
- l. Forty (40) Swine will sell at the Youth Auction.

**9. Drug Testing**

- a. See Drug Policy established by the TVE Board of Directors.

**10. Showmanship**

- a. Junior, Intermediate and Senior Showmanship will be held directly after judging.
- b. See General Rule #6 for ages.
- c. Exhibitors MUST show in age division of the showman (age on day of show). Any exhibitor found during/after show to have participated in wrong division whether knowingly or accidentally will be disqualified and shall forfeit any/all award(s) given.

**11. Feeding**

- a. Exhibitor is responsible for the feeding and care of their animal remaining on the TVE grounds. See General Rule#9G

**12. Auctions – Youth and Freezer – Thank-you notes**

- a. Exhibitors who qualify for the Youth Auction must see the livestock office or information board for information concerning the auction and attend auction meeting listed on the website.
- b. Absolutely no approaching the buyer after the auction to request the animals back. If it is confirmed that an exhibitor has approached the buyer to request their animal back there will be strict penalties and could result in auction proceeds being denied as determined by the livestock superintendent.
- c. Youth Auction will be held on Friday, in the rodeo arena.
- d. Freezer sale will be held following the youth auction
- e. Exhibitors who want to place their animals in the Freezer Sale must notify the Livestock Office in writing (forms available in Livestock Office) by deadline listed on website. No Late Entries. No withdrawal after signing up.
- f. Absolutely NO paint, glitter or permanent decoration allowed on animals participating in Premium youth auction and/or freezer sale.
- g. Youth Auction and freezer sale participants must complete a Thank You Note. Thank You Notes will be available to pick up after the sale of the animal. These must be written to the buyer (if more than 1 buyer please get more thank you cards at table) and turned back in.
- h. No Auction or Freezer sale check will be distributed without a Thank You Note.
- i. All thank you cards with the exception of add on's must be turned in by 12:00 p.m. Sat of show week!
- j. Checks will not be ready to be picked up until after January, we will notify when they will be ready. No checks will be mailed. Checks will be voided if not cashed within 90 days and WILL NOT be reissued.
- k. All add on thank you cards must be in a unsealed self-addressed stamped envelope, no exceptions. READY TO MAIL
- l. Checks will be made out to the exhibitor not the parents. Most banks will require an account in that exhibitors name in order to cash. Please make arrangements with your bank as we will not make checks to anyone other than the exhibitor