#### Junior Fair Swine Rules - 2024

**Skillathon Dates:** June 17<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm-8:00 pm, MFG-22 Home/Crafts/Photo Building.

Fair Check-In: Saturday July 27th, 4:00 pm- 7:00pm

Fair Release: Sunday, August 4th, 6:00 am-Livestock Sale Animals, 8:00 am-10:00 am-All Private Haulers

**Show:** Monday, July 29th, 8:00 am, Show Arena

All rules subject to change per Sr. Fair Board direction.

# **Fair Entry Requirements**

- 1. General Regulations for Junior Fair Livestock Exhibitors apply.
- 2. Exhibitors must enter Jr. Fair Animal on Fair Entry for all swine to be shown at the fair. Entries must be submitted electronically to fair entry no later than 11:59 PM, June 1.
- 3. All hogs, market, and carcass must have current year ear tags supplied by the Swine Committee.
  - Ear tags will be distributed by the Swine Committee. Check Swine Project Exhibitors'

# Important Dates & Deadlines for dates and location.

- Tags may be picked up by exhibitor, family member or friend. Exhibitor need not be present for tag pick up.
- Exhibitors may tag a maximum of 6 hogs. Exhibitors may enter no more than 2 hogs.
  - Exhibitors may transport tagged "back up" hogs to be substituted at check-in if an animal does not meet exhibition requirements.
- If an ear tag is lost, exhibitors should contact a Swine Committee member for a replacement tag. Animals should be re-tagged, and a new photo submitted to a committee member as soon as possible after original tag is lost.
- Animal ID forms and a picture of each animal clearly showing tag in ear for identification purposes
  must be submitted to the committee by May 30<sup>th</sup>. No animal substitutions will be permitted once
  forms have been submitted. Instructions on how to submit these photos will be emailed to the
  exhibitors closer to the deadline.
- 4. Exhibitors showing market or carcass classes must be enrolled in the Market Hog Project #139.
- 5. All hogs must be in exhibitor's possession by **May 1**.

### **Animal Requirements**

- 1. This is a partial-terminal show. Grand and reserve hogs are terminal. All other hogs are not required to go to slaughter. Any exhibitor not sending their animal(s) through the livestock sale must request and return a completed sale withdrawal card to the swine committee within one hour after completion of the swine show.
- 2. ALL market hogs must weigh between 200-330 pounds.
  - All hogs that do not fall within weight limits will show in either light or heavy weight class.
     These hogs will be sold at auction but will not be eligible for Grand or Reserve Champion consideration.
- 3. Swine with testicular tissue cannot show.
- 4. All swine will be inspected and weighed when unloaded at fair check-in.
- 5. Market hog projects may be barrows or gilts.

## **Fair Animal Welfare**

- 1. The Swine Committee will provide bedding to be used by all exhibitors.
- 2. Refer to health and safety section of general rules for animal care guidance week of fair.
- 3. If the health or well-being of an animal appears questionable at any time during the fair, the Swine Committee and/or Senior Fair Board has the right to request a veterinary examination. Also see *General Regulations for Junior Fair Livestock Exhibitors*.
- 4. If a hauler refuses to transport a hog, or if a hog needs to be removed from the barn due to health reasons, a Sr. Fair Board official will advise on an individual basis of procedure to be followed.
- 5. **ALL** Market, Home Grown, and Carcass Hogs will be checked for compliance to rule 901-19-33 of the *ODA Livestock Tampering Rules* at the time of fair check-in. The rule states "... the following

grooming practices are prohibited...slick clipping or body shaving of market hogs except on the ears and tails." Slick clipping is defined as having hair that is less than one half inch in length on the body of market hogs. All exhibitors must remain in compliance with this rule throughout the duration of the exhibition. Any exhibitors not compliant will be subjected to disciplinary action as defined in 901-19-21. All 1st and 2nd place class winners will be checked for compliance to 901-19-33 of the ODA tampering rules before selection of division champions. Any exhibitor found in violation will be subjected to disciplinary action as defined in 901-19-21.

## **Exhibition Requirements**

- 1. A Drug Use Notification Form (DUNF) must be completed **prior** to fair check-in for each animal. A parent's/legal guardian's signature is required for youth under the age of 18. **The forms will be online and must be completed by the Wednesday before check-in.** Animals will not be unloaded until paperwork is complete.
- 1a. A Ractopamine-Free Affidavit must be completed **prior** to fair check-in for each family. A parent's/legal guardian's signature is required for youth under the age of 18. **The forms will be online and must be completed by the June 1 deadline**. Animals will not be unloaded until paperwork is complete.
  - 1. Jr. Fair exhibitors are required to be present when unloading animals at fair; Jr. Fair exhibitors under age 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. If an exhibitor is unable to be present when unloading, he/she must contact the Swine Committee prior to check-in day.
  - 2. A mandatory meeting will be held Sunday, the day before the fair begins, at 5:00 p.m. in the Jr. Fair Show Barn Arena.
  - 3. Exhibitors are to pay a \$10.00 per animal swine barn expense to be collected at check in.
  - 4. Exhibitors must bring a separate photo of each of their market hog(s) to fair check-in for the buyer plaques. The exhibitor's name and hog's ear tag number must be on the back of each photo.
  - 5. Each exhibitor must sign-up and complete at least one (1) barn duty. Failing to do so may result in repercussions.
  - 6. Dress code for swine show:
    - Shoes that provide protection. No sandals.
    - Clean clothes. No shorts.
    - A collared shirt with sleeves.
    - Shirt tucked in.
    - No hats.
    - No logos/farm names to be worn on show days.
- 7. During fair week, please attempt to feed animals between 7:00 AM 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM 7:00 PM.
  - Feed pans should be removed from pens during the day.
- 8. No permanent, attached feeders will be permitted in the swine barn.
- 9. Medina County Junior Fair animals can only be shown by Medina County Junior Fair exhibitors.

## **Carcass Show**

- All rules and requirements of the Junior Fair Swine Program pertain. A Drug Use
  Notification Form (DUNF) must be submitted on-line for each animal. The forms will be on-line and
  must be completed by the Wednesday before check-in. Animals will not be unloaded until
  paperwork is complete.
- 2. Carcass entries are to be declared by June 1 on the *Jr. Fair Animal Entry Form*.
- 3. Carcass check-in: Check **Swine Project Exhibitors' Important Dates & Deadlines** for date, time, and location.

- 4. Carcass hogs will be judged on the rail.
- 5. Exhibitors will be responsible for selling their pork carcass prior to judging.
  - o Exhibitors must complete buyer information card at check-in.
    - The processor will charge a standard charge for killing, cutting, wrapping, and freezer space.
  - Smoked or other special requests will be extra.
- 6. Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Carcasses only will be sold at the Medina County Jr. Fair Livestock Sale.
  - If you pre-sell your carcass to a buyer and it's judged to be the Grand or Reserve Champion Carcass, you must tell your buyer that they will have to purchase the hog at the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale or make other arrangements for buying another carcass.
- 8. All hogs will be inspected at check-in.
- 9. If, for any reason, the carcass does not pass state inspection at the time of processing, the carcass will not be considered for placing. The carcass becomes the sole responsibility of the exhibitor.

#### Skillathon

- 1. Participation in Swine Skillathon is highly encouraged for all exhibitors.
  - See Swine Project Exhibitors' Important Dates & Deadlines for date, time, and location.
- 2. Participation in the Skillathon is required for Premier Exhibitor Award eligibility.
- 3. Premier Exhibitor Award placing See *General Regulations for Junior Fair Livestock Exhibitors*.

# **Showmanship**

- 1. All exhibitors will be enrolled in their age division showmanship class on their June 1 Jr. Fair Animal Entry. If an exhibitor chooses not to participate in showmanship, he/she must inform the Swine Committee at checkin
- 2. Showmanship participation is required for Premier Exhibitor Award eligibility.
- 3. For the safety of the exhibitors and hogs, large classes will be split by random draw.
- 4. Medina County Junior Fair exhibitors must show their own animals in the showmanship classes.

### **Home Grown**

- 1. Home Grown definition: Market hog that has been born and raised from a sow owned by the exhibitor or immediate family.
  - Farrowed between January 1 and April 1 of current year.
- 2. Exhibitors who meet qualifications may enter one (1) of their market hogs in the Home Grown class.
- 3. Exhibitors must designate by tag number which hog is to be entered in Home Grown class at check-in.

#### **Show**

- 1. Market hog classes will have a maximum of 12 hogs per class.
- 2. Market hog weight classes determined from the fair check-in weights.
- 3. Show Order
  - 1. Senior Showmanship 15-18 years old by January 1 of current year.
  - 2. Intermediate Showmanship 12-14 years old by January 1 of current year.
  - 3. Junior Showmanship 8 (and in 3rd grade) -11 years old by January 1 of current year.
  - 4. Carcass Class results.
  - 5. Skillathon results.
  - 6. Home Grown Market Hogs must have been born and raised from a sow owned by the exhibitor or immediate family member. Home Grown hogs may also show in Market Hog classes.
  - 7. Light Weight Hogs for all Market Hogs weighing 199 lbs. or less.

- 8. Heavy Weight Hogs for all Market Hogs weighing 331 lbs. or more.
- 9. Market Hogs weight classes determined by fair check-in weights.

### Sale

- 1. Livestock sale order will be as follows: Grand and Reserve Market Hog; Grand and Reserve Home Grown; Grand and Reserve Carcass; followed by fair entry computer draw.
- 2. Exhibitors may sell 2 market hogs.
  - Exception: Exhibitors participating in the carcass class may also sell their carcass hog if it is chosen as either the Grand or Reserve Champion Carcass
- 3. All market hogs going through Jr. Fair Livestock sale will be tattooed for the Federal Drug Residue Inspection Program.