
DIVISION: SWINE

4-H'ers in a swine project may do one or both of the following:

- Participate in the swine show (details on this page).
- Prepare an Animal Study Exhibit (Division: Animal Science) for display in the 4-H Exhibit Building.

COVID-19 GUIDELINES:

Ogle County 4-H will be adhering to the following guidelines developed by the University of Illinois, Illinois 4-H, and approved by the Ogle County Health Department. Changes to these guidelines will be sent to families if Illinois reaches Phase 5 or goes back to Phase 3.

1. Our office will only offer a virtual option if someone is not comfortable with attending in person judging. Livestock Virtual Judging request must be made by June 30th by completing the Reasonable Accommodation paperwork provided on our website.
2. Adhere to 50 people maximum in a defined space if in Phase 4, or 25 people maximum in a defined space in Phase 3.
3. Phase 4 Safety Protocols are as follows:
 - Face coverings are required for all youth, spectators, volunteers, and staff when within the defined 4-H event space (inside or outside).
 - Everyone in attendance will practice social distancing during the event, including maintaining six feet of separation (both indoors and outdoors) from those who are not in their households. To allow for social distancing, building and spectator capacity may be limited based on current public health department guidelines.
 - Handwashing and/or sanitizing stations will be provided throughout the venue.
 - Anyone who has experienced COVID-19 symptoms within the previous seven days is asked to stay home. COVID-19 symptoms include fever, cough, loss of taste or smell, or shortness of breath.

If any of these guidelines presents a challenge for you, please contact the Ogle County Extension office at 815-732-2191. We can discuss what accommodations are possible so that we can look for ways that all youth can safely participate in this event. Illinois 4-H reserves the right to adjust or cancel events in the case of identified risk, such as changes in local COVID conditions or known instances of non-compliance with safety guidelines.

SWINE DEPARTMENT SCHEDULE

Check-in – Wednesday, July 28, 2021, 3:00-6:00 p.m.

Weigh-in – Wednesday, July 28, 2021, 3:00-6:00 p.m.

Judging – Thursday, July 29, 2021, 8:00 a.m.

Check-out – Sunday, August 1, 2021 2:00 p.m. (*Families with last names beginning with E – L*)

Check-out – Sunday, August 1, 2021 3:00 p.m. (*Families with last names beginning with M – Z*)

Check-out – Sunday, August 1, 2021 4:00 p.m. (*Families with last names beginning with A – D*)

All animals and tack must be out of barn by 5:30 p.m.

SWINE COMMITTEE

Brian & Janet Hall, Monroe Center, Supt., 815-751-3874

Joe Eden, Byron, Assist. Supt., 815-721-4921

Mark Eden, Oregon

Todd Seaworth, Lindenwood

Mike Hemmersbach, Leaf River

Michaela Eden, Oregon

SWINE RULES

1. All *General Rules* and *Animal Department Rules* apply.
2. 4-H members are limited to receive one premium per weight class exhibited in premium eligible-projects.
3. Please contact the superintendent or assistant superintendent if any issues arise during the week.

Before the Fair:

4. **ATTENTION ALL 4-H'ers:** All youth showing swine are required to have a current certification in Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) during the current show year. Certification must be completed by May 1st.
5. All swine need a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. Consult the *2021 Exhibition Livestock Health Requirements* for information about health papers.
6. Secure breed papers showing ownership prior to fair for exhibitors showing purebreds in the breeding gilt classes or the purebred barrow classes.
7. Exhibitors should strive to have their hogs weighing between 220 and 325 lbs. by fair time.

8. **NEW:** If your pig is between 220 and 240 lbs, and you want to sell at the Blue Ribbon Livestock Auction, you must retain ownership.
9. Youth must have ownership of all swine on or before May 1st in order to participate in the 4-H show.

Check In/Weigh In:

10. All swine must be weighed and penned between 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 28.
11. Provide copy of health paper to swine committee prior to unloading animals.
12. All swine being exhibited must weigh at least 220 lbs.
13. Early arrivals must be approved by phone to the Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent and a copy of health papers must be exchanged before arrival.

During the Fair:

14. Exhibitors will be responsible for the proper care of their animals until the conclusion of the 4-H Fair.
15. Pens must be kept clean! All swine are to be bedded with wood shavings, no straw or paper will be allowed.
16. Pigs will be penned two per pen. An exhibitor showing six pigs will have a maximum of three pens. Any tack pens will be assigned at the discretion of the swine committee.
17. Keep aisle way in front of your pens clean of shavings.

Clean Up/Check Out:

18. Exhibitors may check-out animals following the schedule and dismissing by last name at the appropriate time.
19. Exhibitors must remove all animals and thoroughly clean his/her pens and place waste in the designated area by 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 1. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of premiums.
20. **NOTE:** We may struggle to find a market for pigs not going to Eickman's. Exhibitors may have to take their pigs home.

Swine Show Regulations/Information:

21. All hogs must be born on or after December 15, 2020.
22. Any pig under 220 lbs. cannot show. Any pig over 325 lbs. cannot show for Grand Champion. There are no upper weight restrictions for breeding gilts.
23. Each exhibitor will be allowed to show up to six hogs. An exhibitor may show any combination of hogs, gilts and barrows, all gilts or all barrows, as long as the number shown does not exceed six.
24. Breeding Gilts: All Purebred Breeding Gilts will be divided based by their breed and will show against each other. Breeds will be joined/split based on numbers of each breed. Crossbred Breeding Gilts will show against each other based on their weights. The winners of each class then will compete for Champion Breeding Gilt.
25. An exhibitor may choose to show a total of two pairs; he/she may show either two gilt pairs or two barrow pairs or one pair of each barrows and/or gilts.
26. Purebred barrow and gilt classes will be as follows: Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, White AOB (Chester White and Landrace breeds), and Dark AOB (Berkshire, Poland China, Spotted Poland's and Hereford breeds). If numbers permit within any breed, there will be two weight classes. Breeds will be joined/split based on numbers of each breed.
27. Breed papers showing ownership will be required for all swine entered in purebred classes.
28. Commercial breeding gilts and purebred breeding gilts will be judged as gilts suitable for breeding stock. Market gilts will be judged as premium market swine.
29. Purebred barrows will be allowed to be shown as part of the pair of barrows class. Also, a breeding gilt and a market gilt may be shown as a pair of gilts.
30. At the discretion of the fair veterinarian and the swine committee, any questionable or late castrated swine will not be allowed to exhibit.
31. The Grand Champion Crossbred Breeding Gilt, Grad Champion Purebred Breeding Gilt, Grand Champion Market Gilt, Grand Champion Purebred Barrow, and the Grand Champion Market Barrow will all drive for Supreme Hog.
32. This is not a terminal show.
33. Exhibitors for showmanship will be required to prepare their animals and get them to the show ring on their own.

Showmanship Rules

1. Junior Showmanship will be for youth ages 8 – 11 years old as of September 1, 2020.
Intermediate Showmanship will be for youth ages 12 – 14 years old as of September 1, 2020.
Senior Showmanship will be for youth ages 15 – 18 years old as of September 1, 2020.
2. All 4-H'ers are eligible for showmanship.
3. Pre-registration is required in Fair Entry to receive a premium. Last minute entries may not receive a premium.
4. When an exhibitor wins showmanship, they may continue to compete in future years in the same class.
5. There will not be any premier showmanship classes.

SWINE CLASSES

101 **Market Gilt:** Entered swine will be further divided into multiple weight classes

102 **Purebred Breeding Gilt:** Entered swine will be further divided into multiple breed/weight classes

Duroc	Hampshire
Yorkshire	White AOB
Dark AOB	

103 **Crossbred Breeding Gilt:** Entered swine will be further divided into multiple weight classes

104 **Market Barrow:** Entered swine will be further divided into multiple weight classes

105 **Purebred Barrow**

Duroc	Hampshire
Yorkshire	White AOB
Dark AOB	

106 **Pair of Barrows:** Entered pairs will be further divided into multiple weight classes

107 **Pair of Gilts:** Entered pairs will be further divided into multiple weight classes

108 **Ogle County Born and Raised:**

4-H Exhibitors who are exhibiting pigs born in Ogle County or bred in Ogle County. Members may breed and farrow their own pigs or purchase a pig that is bred and born in Ogle County. Sponsored by Kyle Hemmersbach and Kolton Myrvold.

Supreme Market Hog:

Grand Champion Breeding Gilt, Grand Champion Market Gilt, Grand Champion Market Barrow, and Grand Champion Purebred Barrow

4-H SWINE AWARDS

Champion Jr. Showmanship

Champion Intermediate Showmanship

Champion Sr. Showmanship

Grand Champion Purebred Breeding Gilt

Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Breeding Gilt

Grand Champion Crossbred Breeding Gilt

Reserve Grand Champion Crossbred Breeding Gilt

Grand Champion Market Gilt

Reserve Grand Champion Market Gilt

Grand Champion Market Barrow

Reserve Grand Champion Market Barrow

Grand Champion Purebred Barrow

Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Barrow

Grand Champion Pair of Barrows

Reserve Grand Champion Pair of Barrows

Grand Champion Pair of Gilts

Reserve Grand Champion Pair of Gilts

Supreme Hog

MARK DETIG 4-H SWINE HERDSMAN AWARD

The late Mark Detig, an Ogle County swine producer, was a true friend and supporter of 4-H swine, both as an exhibitor and as a parent. In honor of his contributions to the swine industry, the Ogle County 4-H Swine Committee will award a plaque each year to the outstanding 4-H swine exhibitor that best exemplifies Mark Detig's standards. This award will be presented to this outstanding 4-H swine exhibitor during the swine portion of the Blue Ribbon Livestock Auction.

The recipient of the Mark Detig 4-H Swine Herdsman Award should meet the following standards that Mark Detig so richly exemplified:

- An exhibitor that is courteous and helpful to all swine exhibitors, parents, and friends of the swine barn.
- An exhibitor that shows a true interest in the swine industry and promotes the industry with words as well as actions.
- An exhibitor that helps and encourages fellow 4-H'ers to do their best, in and out of the ring of competition.
- An exhibitor that manifests profound sportsmanship by being humble in victory as well as gracious in defeat.

