2010 Nebraska State Fair

Department G – Swine Division

Division 35

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A. GENERAL RULES-General Rules apply to this department.
B. HEALTH PAPERS-All market hogs must be accompanied by appropriate health certificates. Health papers must be presented at check in.
C. QUALITY ASSURANCE CERTIFICATION: Exhibitors must have received Quality Assurance training or testing through a UNL Cooperative Extension program prior to the fair. Program attendance or completion of a test in the county extension office is required. Completion of training will be certified by county extension staff. Official NPPC PQA Certificates are not required to be presented.
D. ARRIVAL DEADLINE-All market hogs should arrive (see master schedule at 4h.unl.edu/programs/statefair/fairbook.htm for times and dates) NUMBER OF EXHIBITS PER EXHIBITOR- A 4-H member may enter, weigh, and show 3 market hogs.
E. SWINE I.D.- Official 4-H ownership affidavits (4HF107) will be considered the official list of eligible hogs. See General Rules, Rule D for additional ownership rules. Entries that do not match hogs on the affidavit will be disqualified without exception. The universal ear notch system with notches in both ears is required.
All Swine to be shown at State Fair **Must** have hair sample for DNA on file. Deadline for DNA is the same as for ownership affidavits, June 15.
ENTRIES-Entries are due as indicated in the general rules in this book. Designation of specific hog is not required prior to the fair. A completed State Fair Drug Withdrawal Affidavit will be presented with your hogs at the scale on Sunday during weigh-in.
F. WEIGHING AND TATTOOING-Weighing and tattooing market hogs will begin at (see master schedule at 4h.unl.edu/programs/statefair/fairbook.htm for times and dates) WEIGHT LIMITS-Market hogs must weigh a minimum of 230 lbs to qualify for the regular show. **New this year: An upper weight limit has been set for 310 lbs. No weight allowances will be given. No hogs will be reweighed. All light and heavy hogs will be allowed to show, but will not be eligible for purple ribbons or to compete for division awards. New this year: A weigh back will be incorporated for all division winners. A 5% variance from weigh-in weight will be allowed. Animals not meeting the 5% variance either above or below the weigh-in weight will be lowered one ribbon group and will not be eligible for any champion awards. SHOW CLASS AND SEX-Classes will be divided into three divisions of gilts and three divisions of barrows. Division winners will be in the drive for Champion Market Gilt and Champion Market Barrow of the Nebraska State Fair. Champions will be selected separately from Gilts and Barrows. Gilts and Barrows will not compete together for a Champion Market Hog.
G. LIVESTOCK GROOMING RULE-See rule K, General Animal Rules. Pigs must be shown without hairdressing compounds. This includes oil, powder or any other coat dressing compounds considered objectionable by the packer. ONLY UNALTERED WATER IS PERMITTED. Pigs found in violation will be disqualified from the live show and the carcass show. They will also be subject to all price discounts imposed by the packer for such compounds.
H. EXHIBITORS DRESS CODE-See rule S, General Rules.
I. CLEANING PENS-All swine pens must be cleaned by the exhibitor immediately following the show and prior to leaving on Monday.
J. *New for 2010*: SHIPPING MARKET HOGS-The Nebraska State Fair swine show is back to a **TERMINAL show.** All **exhibitors must provide a premise ID for all swine being marketed.** Market hogs will be shipped for slaughter as soon as possible after the show. All hogs are sold in the individual 4-H member's name, grade and yield to the packer. All normal market rules in regard to animal quality and drug residues will be enforced.
K. SHOW SCHEDULE-The 4-H Swine Show will be conducted in the Swine Arena on (see master schedule at 4h.unl.edu/programs/statefair/fairbook.htm for times and dates) Market gilts will be judged first followed by market barrows.
L. SWINE SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST-The Swine Showmanship Contest will be judged on (see master schedule at 4h.unl.edu/programs/statefair/fairbook.htm for times and dates) in the Swine Arena. Swine Showmanship will be

open to all swine exhibitors that have pre-entered showmanship. Exhibitors must show in the class assigned to them unless prior permission is received from the Swine Superintendent. (See Rule D, Livestock Showmanship)

CARCASS CONTEST, Division 35, CLASS 3

CARCASS CONTEST RULES

A. CARCASS CONTEST ENTRIES- **All market swine are automatically consigned to the Carcass Contest and cannot be withdrawn**with the exception of those on which urine analyses are conducted. Entry of the sampled swine into the carcass contest will depend on the timeliness of harvest.
B. BASIS FOR PLACING IN RIBBON GROUPS: Carcasses will be grouped into ribbon groups based on the factors of carcass weight, 10th rib fat thickness from ultrasound measurement, loineye area from ultrasound measurement and percent lean calculated from these factors.

   Purple: Carcass weights of 181 to 215, fat thickness of .40 inches or greater, loineye area of 10.0 square inches or less, and percent lean of 57.0% or greater.
   Blue: Carcass weights of 167 to 229, fat thickness of .25 inches or greater, and percent lean of 55.0 to 56.99%.
   Red: Carcass weights of 160 to 243, percent lean of 53.0 to 54.99%
   White: All others not meeting the requirements above and carcasses disqualified for excess trim and/or carcass condemnation.

C. LIVE WEIGHT REQUIREMENTS FOR BLUE AND PURPLE AWARDS – To be eligible for blue or purple ribbons, carcasses must be from barrows and gilts with live weights of 230 lbs or greater.
D. The carcass contest may be canceled if a cooperating packer cannot be secured.
E. Hogs that are disqualified from the live show are also disqualified from carcass contest placing.

Division 35, MARKET SWINE CLASSES

Market Gilts 10
Market Barrows 20