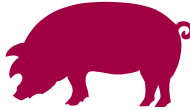


**Swine/Tack/Displays released Saturday night 10-11pm & Sunday 9 am to noon**  
**No Swine/Displays/Tack to be taken down/packed up/removed from building before 10 pm**  
**Saturday (Includes decorations, tools, supplies, animals, etc.)**

**SWINE EXHIBITORS MUST BE PRESENT SUNDAY morning to cleanup/fold/stack pens**  
**Then, sign out with Department Superintendent.**  
**EXHIBITORS who fail to comply with the above or fail to sign out will**  
**FORFEIT PREMIUMS**

**NOTE:** Exhibitors must provide a Fan for swine pen(s) during the Fair to help ensure sufficient air circulation for the health of the swine.



**DEPARTMENT 27 - SWINE**  
**BUD & BRENDA STROHMER - SUPERINTENDENTS**

**SPECIFIC RULES:**

1. **Note: All entries are subject to Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in Maryland.** Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules and Regulations and all Livestock Department Rules and Regulations.
2. A \$2.00 fee will be assessed for each animal entered. **THESE NON-REFUNDABLE FEES MUST BE MAILED TO Valerie Harlan by June 1st.** This fee is separate from the tagging fee assessed by the MD 4-H Program to purchase the animal ear tag.
3. All purebred breeding swine must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and must have been owned and registered with the appropriate Breed Association in the name of the exhibitor by July 1 of the current year. **Leased breeding swine** must comply with Livestock Dept General Rule #4. The Sponsor must sign the section on Lessee Compliance in the Lease Agreement and a copy of the signed Lease Agreement **MUST BE MAILED TO** Valerie Harlan.
4. **All exhibits must be in place on Wednesday by 9:30 pm.**
  - Animal Exhibitors must have registration and health papers available at all times.
  - ALL REQUIRED EAR TAGS (farm tag, 4-H tag, RFID tag, scrapie tag) **MUST BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT THE FAIR GROUNDS.** Animals without required tags upon arrival to the Fair Grounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the Fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
  - In addition, all Swine (registered or commercial) must have the US official RFID tag via the producer or vet as required by MDA. **NO NON-RFID TAGS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
5. Exhibitor must be present for check of health papers and registration papers.
6. **Show Attire:** 4-H exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in show ring, as clearly stated in **Rule #23 of the General Rules and Regulations.**
7. Market Hogs must be born no earlier than Jan 1 of current year.
8. All market swine must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and must be owned and registered with the County Extension Office by May 1 of the current year.
9. **Market hogs must meet the minimum weight of 200 lbs and the maximum weight of 275 lbs to qualify for Champion classes.**
10. Market classes will be divided by breed and weight. There must be at least 5 of the same breed, or the animal will be placed in Other Breeds. **To be eligible as a purebred, registration papers MUST be presented at weighin.**
11. Exhibitors may nominate up to 4 market swine in Section B, however, an exhibitor may only show 3 animals per weight class. Approximate weight classes will be determined after all weights are received.
12. All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place Market Animals must be presented for selection of Grand & Reserve Grand Champions.
13. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion must grade and be sold at the Livestock Sale. Animals must meet quality standards and will be graded by the Grading Committee.
14. All Swine exhibitors who sell in the Livestock Sale must comply with the Livestock Sale rules. Only market swine exhibited in the show may sell if they meet quality standards as determined by the Grading Committee.
15. Market swine may be gilts or barrows. Barrows must be completely healed.
16. Gilts exhibited in a market class may not be exhibited in a breed class. All swine must display proper identification tags or ear notches. Tags must be in place on all swine upon arrival.
17. Animals are to be kept in their pens or designated areas at all times. Animals should never be walked in other areas of the barns or Fairgrounds. This is for the safety of both the General Public and the Animal.

18. An exhibitor who wins Champion Fitting and Showing may thereafter only show in the Champion of Champions Fitting and Showing class.

Proposed Premium - \$14 participation per animal shown

**ONLINE ENTRIES**—be prepared to type  
**Animal Name**                      **4-H Ear Tag #**  
**Sire/Dam**                              **Farm Tag #**  
**Breed Registration #**      **DOB – date of birth**

**All Market must be in place on Wednesday by 9:30 pm**

**SECTION A - FITTING AND SHOWMANSHIP**

**Classes**

2701	Novice – 1 <sup>st</sup> year showing, any age
2702	Jr. Fitting and Showing
2703	Int. fitting and Showing
2704	Sr. Fitting and Showing

**SECTION B - MARKET SWINE \*See Rule #11**

**Classes**

2709	Berkshire Market Swine
2710	Chester White Market Swine
2711	Duroc Market Swine
2712	Hampshire Market Swine
2713	Landrace Market Swine
2714	Poland China Market Swine
2715	Spotted Market Swine
2716	Yorkshire Market Swine
2717	Other Breeds Market Swine
2718	Crossbred Market Swine

**HERDSMAN AWARD**

**COW PALACE BEEF, DAIRY, GOAT, SHEEP AND SWINE HERDSMAN AWARD**

**Sponsored by the Warns Family**  
**Exhibitors automatically entered**

Each category is worth 10 points each. Exhibitors' areas will be judged approximately 3 times per day unannounced, at any time of the day, by unbiased individuals as well as the Dept. Superintendents. The scores from each day will be totaled at the end of the fair and the winner will be announced. Exhibitor's name must be clearly identified to be judged.

**Judging Criteria:**

1. **Cleanliness and care of Animal**
2. **Cleanliness of Bedding**
3. **Cleanliness of Feed/Tack Area & Central Aisle**
4. **Attractiveness of Exhibitor's assigned area**
5. **Breed Promotion / Educational Display**
6. **Assigned area and Display identified with exhibitor's name.**