

Indiana Junior Swine Circuit By-Laws

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ORGANIZATION

Official Record Keeping

- The Executive Board Members will serve as the official record keepers.

Official Communication & Promotion

- <https://indianajuniorswinecircuit.org> and the IJSC Facebook page will serve as the official platforms for advertising, promotion, and communication.
- Any updates throughout the season will be posted on the IJSC Facebook page.
- The IJSC is not responsible for any missed information by exhibitors throughout the show season.

Show Date Verification

- Show dates for the season must be verified by the Senior Board Members.

GRIEVANCE POLICY

- Any grievance must:
 - Be presented to an IJSC representative within 24 hours of the incident.
 - Be submitted in writing.
 - Be accompanied by a \$250 non-refundable fee.
- If the grievance is approved, the fee will be refunded.

IJSC Executive Board

The Executive Board shall consist of:

- IJSC Executive Board Members
- A minimum of five at-large representatives, including:
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Treasurer and Co-Treasurer
 - Marketing/Events Director
 - Sponsorship Director
 - Junior Board Director
 - Awards Director

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Duties & Responsibilities

President

- Oversees all sanctioned shows and communication with show managers
- Develops yearly show schedule

Treasurer and Co-Treasurer

- Responsible for fund management

Vice President

- Assists President with management of all sanctioned shows
- Oversees fund management

Sponsorship Director

- Raise funds through sponsorships and IJSC membership dues

Junior Board Managers

- Oversee all Junior Board Members and their activities

Awards Director

- Order all awards for banquet and run the awards banquet

Marketing and Events Director

- Manage all social media accounts and IJSC website
- Assist with show events and banquet

IJSC JUNIOR BOARD

Selection Process

- The number of Junior Board members will be determined annually as needed.
- Members are selected through an application process.
- Selection requires a majority vote of the Senior Board Members.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be a freshman in high school or older by the start of that year's circuit.

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- Cannot remain a member once they have passed the maximum age of membership.

Term of Service

- Junior Board members serve a one-year term upon acceptance.
- Members may reapply each year thereafter.
- Members must assist with the transportation of sponsorship banners and obtaining sponsorships

Removal & Replacement

- Board members may be removed at any time for failure to uphold duties of an IJSC Junior Board member.
- In the event of removal, the Senior IJSC Board may appoint a replacement for the vacant positions.

BREEDING GILTS

General Eligibility & Ownership

- Shows must follow the guidelines set forth by the IJSC for record-keeping and general fairness to exhibitors.
- A standardized entry form and placing document will be available on the IJSC website under the forms tab.
- All pigs must be owned on or before May 15th of that show year.
- Pigs born November 1st and after will be eligible to show up until the weekend prior to the week of The Exposition.
- Pigs born December 1st and after will be eligible to show for the entirety of the show circuit.

Age & Showing Requirements

- Breeding gilts must be shown by age.
- Due to purebred papers not being required until May 15th, if age discrepancies beyond 10 days or a change in birth month occur, exhibitors may be subject to losing all points earned by that pig for the shows in question.
- All instances reported will be voted on and handled fairly by the Senior Board Members of the IJSC on a case-by-case basis.

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Points

- Breeding gilts count toward IJSC points.
- Market gilt shows do not count toward IJSC points.

Breed & Paper Requirements

- Purebred papers are required for purebred gilts and purebred influenced crossbreds from their respective breed association and must meet all breed characteristics:
 - www.nationalswine.com/rulesandregulations/barrowclassguide.html
 - www.cpsswine.com

MARKET BARROWS

General Eligibility & Ownership

- Shows must follow the guidelines set forth by the IJSC for record keeping and general fairness to exhibitors.
- A standardized entry form and placing document will be available on the IJSC website under the forms tab.
- All pigs must be owned on or before May 15th of that show year.
- Pigs born November 1st and after will be eligible to show up until the weekend prior to the week of The Exposition.
- Pigs born December 1st and after will be eligible to show for the entirety of the show circuit.

Points

- Market barrows count toward IJSC points.

Breed & Paper Requirements

- Purebred papers are required for purebred barrows and purebred influenced crossbreds from their respective breed association and must meet all breed characteristics:
 - www.nationalswine.com/rulesandregulations/barrowclassguide.html
 - www.cpsswine.com

CROSSBREDS

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- All pigs must be owned on or before May 15th of that show year.
- Pigs born November 1st and after will be eligible to show up until the weekend prior to the week of The Exposition.
- Pigs born December 1st and after will be eligible to show for the entirety of the show circuit.
- Crossbred Divisions Required: Light Crossbred, Dark Crossbred, and Purebred Influence Crossbred

Gilt Requirements

- Cross gilts must be shown by weight and without weight limits.
- Market gilt shows do not count toward IJSC points.

Points

- Crossbred breeding gilts, crossbred barrows, and purebred influence crossbreds count toward IJSC points.

Paper Requirements

- Purebred influenced crossbreds must have papers from their respective breed association and meet all breed characteristics:
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 - www.cpsswine.com

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Mandatory Classes

Crossbred classes must be offered for the entire show season, regardless of numbers. Champion and Reserve Champion must be selected by the judge.

- Berkshire
- Chester White
- Duroc, Hampshire
- Hereford
- Landrace
- Poland China
- Spotted
- Tamworth
- Yorkshire
- Crossbreds
 - Dark Crossbred Division
 - Light Cross Division
 - Purebred Influence Division

Show Format & Awards

- All shows must offer showmanship unless approved by the IJSC Senior Board.
- Showmanship ages (per NJSA ruling):
 - 5–8: Novice
 - 9–12: Junior
 - 13–16: Intermediate
 - 17–21: Senior (as of January 1)
- All shows must pay out all class winners at a minimum the show entry fee for one pig, regardless of class size.
- Reserve breed champions are eligible for Top 5 contention if their respective breed champion is selected.
- All Top 5 pigs are guaranteed at a minimum a banner.
- Additional awards are determined by the show manager.
- A judge may only judge one show on the circuit per year.

Points

Points Accumulation

- Points will be accumulated from all sanctioned shows.
- Overall awards will be based on points earned from the member's top two pigs at 10 total shows.

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Ownership Requirement

- Indiana State Fair ownership rules will apply:
 - Ownership/possession of livestock must occur on or before May 15th.

Points will be kept as follows: (members can accumulate points from all shows; however, awards will be based on the grand total points from member's top TWO pigs and showmanship from the best 11 total IJSC sanctioned shows offered during the show season.)

The top five placings in each class: (if 8 head in a class)

- 1st = 10 x times the amount of head in a class max of 5 head
- 2nd = 9 x times the amount of head in a class max of 5 head
- 3rd = 8 x times the amount of head in a class max of 5 head
- 4th = 7 x times the amount of head in a class max of 5 head
- 5th = 6 x times the amount of head in a class max of 5 head
- 6th & below 5 points each

Examples

- 5 head or over in a class: 1st = 50 points
- 4 head in a class: 1st = 40 points
- 3 head in a class: 1st = 30 points
- 2 head in a class: 1st = 20 points

Breed winners:

Champions = 10 points

Reserves = 7 points

- Breed winners coming from a class of 5 or more will receive 60 points.
- Reserve breed winners coming from a class of 5 or more pigs will receive 57 points, regardless of how they placed in class.

Overall winners:

Overall top 5 winners will receive points regardless of how the pig placed in their respective breed and class and regardless of their class size. Overall points are not to be combined with other points accumulated for that pig for that day and are the maximum points to be received in one show by one pig. The maximum overall points per show are as listed below:

- Grand = 100 points
- Reserve Grand = 90 points
- Third = 75 points
- Fourth = 70 points
- Fifth = 65 points

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Example: Class 5 winner, Champion Duroc, and Reserve Grand Barrow will receive 90 points total for the show.

Example: Class 11 winner (5 or pigs present in class), Champion landrace, and does not place in top 5 will receive 60 points total for the show.

Example: Class 16 winner (only 3 pigs in class), Champion Tamworth, and 5th overall will receive 65 points total for the show.

Showmanship Classes:

The following points will be used to determine Champion, Reserve, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Overall in each age division.

- 1st = 10 points
- 2nd = 9 points
- 3rd = 8 points
- 4th = 7 points
- 5th = 6 points

These points do not go towards the exhibitor's overall point totals, they are just in place to determine the top 5 overall for the entire season.

Once the top 5 exhibitors in each division are determined based on one over half of that seasons shows , they will receive the following point totals at the conclusion of the show season to add onto their total overall exhibitor points:

- Champion = 50 points
- Reserve Champion = 45 points
- 3rd = 40 points
- 4th = 35 points
- 5th = 30 points

Members are required to show (exhibit and showmanship) their own pigs to earn points. Exception only if the exhibitor has more than one animal in a class.

- Substitute showman must be 21 years old or younger.
- Members must show their pigs alone (1 pig, 1 showman) to receive points
- Failure to follow these rules will result in loss of points for the show on that day
- Hog must be fed by the IJSC member or an immediate family member in Indiana to receive points and must be owned on or before May 15th.
- Hogs that are brought back from The Exposition and were not owned and in the possession of the exhibitor prior to The Exposition, will not receive points.

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Awards

Will be given out at the Indiana State Fair Barrow Weekend at the conclusion of showmanship.

Categories

- Showmanship - In each age division
 - Four divisions based on age Jan. 1 of show year
 - Novice 5-8
 - Junior 9-12
 - Intermediate 13-16
 - Senior 17-21

- Overall Exhibitors
 - Champion Overall
 - Reserve Overall
 - 3rd Overall
 - 4th Overall
 - 5th Overall
 - High-Point Barrow & Gilt
 - Reserve High-Point Barrow & Gilt

- Top 5 Barrows & Gilts by breed will be awarded to the exhibitor of the pigs:
 - Berkshire, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Hereford, Landrace, Poland China, Spotted, Tamworth, Yorkshire, Light Crossbred, Dark Crossbred, and Purebred Influence.
 - Only the points from an exhibitor's top two placing pigs over the entirety of the show season at half the amount of shows plus 1 show and overall showmanship points earned will count toward an individual's overall point total.