

# **Market Swine Requirements**

## **Superintendents:**

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Ownership Deadline: December 6, 2023

Entry Deadline: December 6, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. at https://pinjrl.fairwire.com/

Tag Day: December 9, 2023 & December 16, 2023 8:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m

**Location: Pinal County Fairgrounds** 

Weigh In: March 12, 2024

### 1. MARKET SWINE OWNERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

All market entries must be market barrows or gilts.

Market swine projects must be owned by the exhibitor by **December 6, 2023**.

#### 2. MARKET SWINE EAR TAGGING REQUIREMENTS

Exhibitors must be present at ear tagging. Ear tagging will be done at the **PINAL COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS** on the above dates. Ear tagging of market swine projects will ONLY be done at the designated locations and dates listed above.

All market swine must have an official tamper proof Premise Identification ear tag. The Premise ID tags must be printed with the animal breeder's official Premise Identification number or federal ID Number.

All swine entry date is FINAL for all entries for the exhibit into the market and carcass divisions at the Pinal County Fair. No replacement of animals after the seine entry deadline.

All market swine must be individually and permanently identified with a National or State Premise Identification number and an ear notch that conforms to the universal swine ear notch system or the Berkshire Ear notch system. All market swine must have an official Premise Identification ear tag. The Premise ID tag must be printed with the animal breeder's official Premise Identification number.

Swine exhibitors must follow all ear tagging rules and requirements. Please see Section 2 – **Ear Tagging Rules and Regulations.** 

#### 3. CLASSIFICATION OF SWINE FOR SHOW

Breed classifications will be at the discretion of the Swine Superintendents. Upon crossing the scale at the fair, final breed classification will be called out by the superintendent. Exhibitors will have the opportunity to request reclassification by written petition no later than 8PM the day of the weigh in.

All pigs at the time of receiving at fair will be subject to re-classification. Written Protests must be submitted in writing to the PCJLC office no later than 8PM on the day of the weigh-in with a fee of \$30.00 See Section 1 item K for the protest policy. The decision of the classifier(s) is FINAL.

There must be a minimum of 5 animals entered for champions to be selected in a breed class. Breeds with less than the minimum will be transferred to another breed class at the discretion of the swine superintendents.

All market swine will be classified by breed and then by weight for judging at the Pinal County Fair. The following will be the breed classes used for classifying: Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, Berkshire, All Other Breeds Light, All Other Breeds Red, All Other Breeds Dark, Dark Crossbred and Light Crossbred.

Berkshire Breed Eligibility Requirements: A black and white animal with erect ears exhibiting Berkshire character. Must have white on all four legs, face and tail (unless tail is docked). One of the white leg points may also be missing. Must NOT have a solid white or a solid black face from the ears forward. Must NOT have a solid black nose (rim of nose). White is allowed on the ears, but NO solid white may appear on the ears occasional splash of white may appear on the body.

**Duroc Breed**: Must be red in color and possess Duroc breed character. Ears must be down. Must be ear notched within seven days of birth. Must NOT have any white hair located on the animal. Must NOT have any black hair located on the animal. Must NOT have more than three black spots on the skin, and none of these spots can be larger than two inches in diameter. Must NOT have any shading or indication of a belt Must have no evidence of an extra dewclaw.

Hampshire Breed Eligibility Requirements: Must be black in color with a white belt starting on the front leg. The belt may partially or totally encircle the body. Must possess Hampshire breed character (ears must be erect and not rounded). Must NOT have any white hair or indications of streaking on the forehead. Must NOT have any red hair. Must NOT have any evidence of an extra dewclaw. Animal can have white on its nose as long as it does not break the rim of the nose, and when its mouth is closed, the white under its chin can NOT exceed what a U.S. Minted quarter would cover. White is allowed on the rear legs as long as it does not extend above the tuber calis bone (Knob of the hock).

Landrace Breed Eligibility Requirements: Must be white in color and possess Landrace breed character (ears must be down). Refer to ideal Landrace photo. Must NOT allow any color hair other than white. Must NOT allow more than three spots of skin pigmentation. Must NOT allow any spot of skin pigmentation larger than one U.S. minted quarter Must have no evidence of an extra dewclaw.

Yorkshire Breed Eligibility Requirements: Must be white in color and possess Yorkshire breed character (ears must be erect) Must NOT have any color hair except for white. Must NOT have more than two pigmentation spots larger than a U.S. minted dime or one pigmentation spot larger than a U.S. minted quarter. These pigmentation spots (combined) can NOT exceed a U.S. minted silver dollar. Must have no evidence of an extra dewclaw.

Chester White Breed Classifications: Must be solid white in color, no color on the skin larger than a silver dollar, no colored hair Any skin pigmentation other than white that exceeds five in number are disqualified. Ears must be down and medium size. Any signs of weighed ear tags or evidence of past existence of such ear tags are determined to be not permissible and are grounds for disqualification.

Poland China Breed Characteristics: Must be black with six white points (face, feet and switch). Tail docking is permissible. An occasional splash of white on the body is permissible. A hog may not possess more than one (1) solid black leg and be determined as a Poland. Must have ears down. Must not have evidence of a belt formation of either white or white skin encircling and touching the points of the shoulder extending down on both sides of animal to the depth of the elbow pocket. Cannot have red or sandy hair/and or pigment. Hogs that have weighed ear tags or evidence of tampering of ears with possible ear tags are ineligible.

**Herford Classification:** The ideal color markings of all Hereford breeding hogs eligible for registration shall be red, can be light or dark however, deep red is preferred white head, ears, and 4 white legs. Ears must be at least broke forward. Body shall be at least 2/3 red, there shall be no white over the back beyond the shoulder blade with exception of a splash or drip, with no connecting belt anywhere on the body.

Tamworth Classification: Must be red in color (no more than 5% black hair) and possess Tamworth Breed Character. -Except for hooves, no white should appear on the body. Dark spots with the general appearance of pinpricks or speckling on the skin ONLY are typical of the breed. Must not show if ears extend less than 65 degrees from the head. Ears should be pointed, upright.

Spot Breed Classifications: Must be black and white Ears cannot be erect. Any red tinted or brown spots are ineligible. No solid black head from ears forward. No white belt pattern (hair or skin) that encompasses the back 1/3 of both shoulder blades and extends down to the foreleg of the animal. The belt pattern is not completely broken by black. Exception to this rule is a predominately white-bodied individual with a white face. Any signs of weighted ear tags or evidence of past existence of such tags are determined to be not permissible and are grounds for disqualification

**All Other Breeds (AOB) Light:** Chester White and Landrace Breeds. Must be all white with down ears Must possess the accepted breed association characteristics

All Other Breeds (AOB) Red: Tamworth and Hereford Breeds. Must possess the accepted breed association characteristics All Other Breeds (AOB) Dark: Poland China and Spotted Breeds. Must possess the accepted breed association characteristics Dark Crossbred: Any nontraditional marked Hampshire, Red colored or any Dark swine determined to be outside of the breed guidelines at fair time.

**Light Crossbred:** Any blue or over marked Yorkshire, Hereford, or any Light colored swine determined to be outside of the breed guidelines at fair time.

## 4. MARKET SWINE FAIR AND EXHIBITING REQUIREMENTS

Swine should be restricted from contact with other livestock and dogs at the fair.

**All out-of-state** market swine must meet Arizona Import Regulations, including an Arizona State import number, testing and quarantine regulations prescribed by law.

Show swine must not be from a premise where garbage has been fed.

Swine will be allowed to unload and bed prior to being weighed. Only unloaded and pened market swine will be weighed during official weigh in hours. (Please refer to the **2024** Pinal County Junior Livestock Division Official Fair Schedule for exact times).

Minimum weight requirements for market swine is 225lbs. Maximum weight requirements for market swine is 285 lbs. Weight will be determined at official weigh in. Market swine have a MAXIMUM SALE WEIGHT OF 285 LBS.

Market swine must be clean and free of excess mud and debris before entering the scales.

Sand and other approved bedding will be allowed.