



SWINE DEPARTMENT

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The exhibitor must establish ownership and the animal must be under the care of the 4-H/FFA member by March 25, 2026. Weigh-in will be at the Culpeper Agricultural Enterprises on March 25, 2026, from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. Pigs must be weighed and receive ear identification at this time. This will be the only accepted weigh-in to show and sell at the CMR Farm Show. A member may weigh in no more than three hogs. **Hogs must weigh 110 pounds or less to be eligible to compete in the performance carcass evaluation and show.** The exhibitor may show three hogs and sell two of the three. Hogs finishing under 230 pounds are not eligible for the performance carcass evaluation and sale.
2. Animals must comply with the State Health Regulations and be free of lice and mange. Department leaders will check this before animals are unloaded.
3. If a market hog project should die or have a severe health issue, it may be eligible for replacement by a comparable animal if done so before June 1, 2026. The Swine Department Chairman and Swine Committee members **must be petitioned in writing** for approval immediately in this occurrence. A replacement hog is ineligible to compete in both performance carcass evaluation and Grand/Reserve Champion Market Class.
4. The Grand Champion and Reserve Champion hogs must be sold.
5. There will be no open breeding show. The show chairman reserves the right to add breeding gilt classes or divisions. Entrants are to come from the pool of market hogs already on premises.
6. To be eligible for Showmanship, the class must be selected on the Swine Department Entry form and the exhibitor and hog must be competing in the Market Hog Division. In the event of premature death of the animal when the hog is not replaced, the committee should be petitioned for a waiver to compete with a non-owned market hog already on the show premises.
7. Hogs weighing less than 230 pounds, or more than 300 pounds cannot be shown in the market classes. Only one weight will be taken. Hogs exceeding 300 pounds will be eligible for the sale.
8. Sale order will be at the discretion of the Show Chairman.
9. Families which have multiple children competing and house their project animals on the same premises, may choose to reallocate a hog in the event another hog has a final weight of less than 230 pounds. If multiple exhibitors raise their project animals on the same premises, reallocation may take place between those exhibitors. Reallocation is limited to one per exhibitor in this situation. **This must be declared within 30 minutes after weigh-in is complete.**
10. All hogs must be washed, and nose rung before unloading upon arrival at the Farm Show. **Strictly Enforced.**
11. Entry fee is \$8.00 per head for non-sale animals and \$25.00 per head for sale animals (\$25.00 sale animal entry fee includes buyer rosette, buyer recognition ad, buyer hospitality tent, and entry fee). An entry fee will be required to participate in the breeding division. This fee will be required once the eligibility criteria is determined, and the class is announced.
12. Premiums on classes are 1st \$6; 2nd \$5; 3rd \$4; 4th \$3; 5th \$2; and 6th \$1. Premiums on Showmanship Classes shall be 1st - \$12; 2nd - \$10; 3rd - \$8; 4th - \$6; 5th - \$4; and 6th - \$2.
13. Read General Rule #16, which fully applies in this department.
14. At the Farm Show, straw may not be used for bedding and **pens must be cleaned daily.** **Strictly enforced.**

15. For safety purposes, when using a nipple water delivery system, the nipple must be a minimum of 30 inches off the ground and presented in a safe manner.
16. All swine must remain on the grounds until Sunday July 12, 2026, at 8 am. All swine leaving the grounds must receive permission from the department chairman before departing the grounds. Pens shall remain in place until all hogs have been removed from the premises on the day following the sale.
17. All swine being entered into the sale must be declared by 12pm on Sunday, July 12, 2026.
18. Show sticks must be approved by the Show Chairman prior to use. **In the event the exhibitor's use of their show stick causes concern for the animal's welfare, the Show Chairman may intervene accordingly.**

Market Hog Show- Saturday, July 11th @ 6pm
Swine Showmanship - Sunday, July 12th @ 6pm

Fitting and Showing Classes

- B-01 Senior Fitting and Showmanship (16 – 19 years old)
B-02 Intermediate Fitting and Showmanship (13-15 years old)
B-03 Junior Fitting and Showmanship (9-12 years old)
B-04 Novice Fitting and Showmanship (First time showing-12 years and younger)
(Fitting and Showing classes may be adjusted by the Department Chairman based on entries.)

B-05 **Breeding Gilt Classes**

Classes will be constructed at the discretion of the Department Chairman. **Do not enter this division on the Swine Entry Form. If your animal is eligible, you will be notified on the day of the show. An entry fee will be required at that time to enter.

Market Hog Classes

- B-06 Class will be divided at the discretion of the Department Chairman.

Bred and Owned

- B-07 Each eligible exhibitor is invited to show one qualified market hog.

Scrapbooks

- B-08 Senior Scrapbook (ages 16-19)
B-09 Intermediate Scrapbook (ages 13-15)
B-10 Junior Scrapbook (ages 9-12)

Outstanding Swine Exhibitor - This award is determined by placing in Showmanship, Market Classes, Scrapbook, Barn Display and Conduct. Stockman's points may be used as a tiebreaker.

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