

**LINCOLN COUNTY FAIR**  
**2021 MARKET HOG RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**MARKET HOG: CATEGORY: A2 CLASS NUMBER: C2000**

1. Weigh-in of market hogs will be at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds as follows:  
**March 13, 2021** from 8:00 am to 12 noon.  
**March 14, 2021** from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.
2. Exhibitors may weigh-in from one (1) to four (4) pigs with starting maximum weight of 80 pounds, with recommended weight of 60-80 pounds. Family and exhibitor will be responsible for placing hogs on the scale and removing hogs from the scale. **Committee members will not be responsible for handling hogs at weigh-in.**
3. All market swine exhibitors will be assessed a non-refundable \$10.00 charge at March weigh-in. Cost of ear tags will be \$2.00 per tag at weigh-in of animals.
4. No vaccinations will be given at the time of weigh-in.
5. Each animal must be registered in the name of exhibitor at weigh in with determination of 4-H or FFA membership. Numbers may only be switched within an exhibitor's immediate family prior to June 1. All changes must be approved and documented by the barn chair immediately.
6. Show Me Quality Assurance (SMQA) training will be required for swine exhibitors to participate in the Lincoln County Fair. University of Missouri Extension developed the SMQA multi-species quality assurance program that meets the current standards of the National Pork Board Youth Pork Quality Assurance Program. SMQA replaces PQA for youth. **All first-year exhibitors are required to complete Show ME Quality Assurance (SMQA) training, regardless of age.** Youth who have previously taken and passed the 20 or 30 question PQA exam are SMQA certified and will not need further certification for the duration of their youth exhibition career. Other youth will need to attend a SMQA training session in each of two years to become SMQA certified and maybe a recertification after the age of 14. Members will be notified of status for SMQA. If you are not sure of your SMQA status contact the University of Missouri Extension Office at 636-528-4613.
7. Exhibitors desiring to be penned together must designate who they wish to be penned near on the entry form. Both exhibitors will need to make the request.
8. Hogs must arrive MONDAY between 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Animals must be penned by 8:00 p.m. on Monday. Animals not in barn by 8 p.m. will not be eligible to show and sell.
9. Upon arrival at the fairgrounds, contact should be made with the livestock superintendent for the respective market division. Do not unload any animals until contact with a committee member has been made.
10. Exhibitors are limited to two (2) entries in the market hog class at the Lincoln County Fair in July. Market hogs will be shown on Tuesday at 6 p.m. Minimum weight to show and sell a market hog is 230 pounds. There will be no "grace" weight given at the fair. No market hogs will be reweighed on Monday, unless due to a malfunction of scale. All animals not meeting the required weight of 230 pounds must be removed from the swine barn by 4 p.m. on Tuesday. Prior to the fair, a scale will be available for weighing animals the weekend of the Jackpot Show, tentatively set for the first Saturday of June. This should help exhibitors try to make show/sale weight range by adjusting management practices between early June and the fair.
11. All Market Hogs will be judged on the basis of three standards: Live Placing, Percent Muscle and Average Daily Gain. Live Placing in the show ring will account for 41% of the index, Percent Muscle will account for 42% of the index and Average Daily Gain will account for 17% of the index.
12. No powder, artificial whitener or oil will be allowed in grooming hogs.

13. Once a hog has been taken to the show holding area, no additional grooming/clipping will be allowed prior to entering show ring. Brush will be allowed as part of show equipment for use in show ring.
14. There will be no clipping of hogs allowed in the Swine Barn or on the Fairgrounds during the Lincoln County Fair.
15. Artificial coloring: Any hog which, when rubbed with a white cloth, shows residual evidence of artificial coloring, will be dismissed from the show and sale.
16. No ice, ice water or alcohol may be used externally or internally as a fitting practice for 4-H/FFA hogs
17. Showing:
  - a. All 4-H/FFA shows will have an exhibitor meeting approximately 15-30 minutes prior to the show.  
Exhibitors must attend this pre-show meeting.
  - b. Exhibitors must exhibit their animals. Barn Chairman may permit another eligible exhibitor to show an animal if one exhibitor owns two animals in the same class or in case of illness or physical handicap.
  - c. After a class has been placed in the show ring, officials, including the judge, reserve the right to re-inspect animal.
18. Friend of the Swine Barn will be awarded on the following basis: Courtesy of the exhibitor in the barn/show ring area, willingness to assist others in the swine barn with animal care, keeping pen area and alley clean, appearance of animals while in show ring, stall card identifying exhibitor pen.
19. The members of the swine barn committee have set up ONE (1) meeting for the current program year. Members in the market hog project are required to attend this ONE (1) meeting. Meeting is **January 13, 2021 at 7:00 pm.**
20. As part of the Livestock Exhibitor Agreement, every exhibitor is responsible for working a minimum of one (1) work night per livestock project area (as an example if you are in more than one livestock project, let's say hogs and lambs, you will be responsible for working on the hog work night and on the lamb work night). The work night scheduled by your 4-H club or FFA Chapter does not count as a livestock work night as it is counted as a club meeting night to meet the requirement for club attendance. **Work night for the market hog project is TBD at this time.**
21. Prior to loading any animal from the swine barn following the show and/or auction, a member of the swine barn committee must approve release of the animal and record tag number along with the name of the person removing the animal.
22. Paper feed sacks will not be allowed in the hog barn.