



MANATEE COUNTY FAIR 2019

Swine

FAIR LIVESTOCK DIRECTOR: Lynn Howell/Gene Glassburn
AREA SUPERINTENDENT: Bob Brouwer

SCHEDULE:

Registration Packets for this area can be obtained on the fair web-site at Manateecountyfair.com. All registrations must be completed at your 4-H or FFA Meetings with your leader. All registrations must be thoroughly completed and brought to the Super Check-In on October 6, 2018 at the Manatee County Fairgrounds. The Super Check-In will begin at 9 AM and close at 12 PM. Please remember to have every item on the registration complete. Failure to complete the registration will result in disqualification.

Your completed registration, bill of sale and \$15 registration fee should be brought to the Super Check-In. Exhibitors must bring at least one parent to the check-in.

Do not bring your animals to the Super Check-In.

Swine will be bedded on shavings during the 2019 Fair

SWINE RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All general livestock rules apply to this specific area.
2. Must be a member of a Swine Club or FFA Chapter.
3. If the Fair Livestock Committee considers the physical condition of the swine to be a problem, it may result in the Committee not accepting an entry or allowing the swine to participate in the show and sale. Example: Crippled, limping, herniated, skin disease, etc., but not limited to these examples.
4. Barrows and gilts must have been owned by the exhibitor on or before October 6, 2018.
5. All applications must be completed when turned in.
6. *****All swine at the final weigh-in must weigh between 220 pounds and 320 pounds and have a minimum of .50 inches of back fat and a maximum of 1.25 inches of back fat as determined by ultra-sound. Any swine weighing over 290 pounds will sell at 290 pounds, regardless of weight.**
7. All hogs must be unloaded and weighed on foot.
8. Weigh-in information is mandatory; entries will not be accepted unless weigh-in is properly authorized. All swine will be weighed in on the certified scales at the Fairgrounds. THAT WEIGHT WILL BE FINAL.
9. All market swine health regulations must follow Florida State Guidelines.
10. All entry blanks must be filled out completely. All information and signatures must be completed or entry will not be accepted.
11. Each exhibitor will be permitted to enter one of the following, one steer or one swine, not both. Anyone weighing in a steer at first weigh-in is not eligible to show a swine project.
12. School Ag- Ed departments and 4-H Swine Clubs will be permitted to exhibit one swine. However, no person can raise or exhibit more than one animal, so the steer or swine exhibited as outlined above should be shown by a member other than the ones who have a steer or swine of their own in the Fair.

13. Exhibitor and parent or guardian must be present at weigh-in.
14. All animals must be checked in by a state veterinarian. All exhibitors must comply with State of Florida Health Rules and all animals must meet minimum health standards as determined by the Fair veterinarian. **All swine will be sold in the sale ring and must be transported to an inspected facility for slaughter. Swine exhibited at the Manatee County Fair are not allowed to return home as this is a terminal swine show.**
15. All entries must be market hogs. All will have teeth cut and barrows will have been castrated before entry date and castration will be verified by fair officials.
16. All breeds and crosses of domestic type hogs will be eligible. **Absolutely no wild wood hogs or crosses will be accepted. Violations of this rule will result in disqualification.**
17. All animals will be trained and under control during the show and sale, a working cane for controlling their entry may be used.
18. Swine must be shown and sold by exhibitor unless sickness or death occurs in the immediate family, in which case permission for a stand-in must be granted by the Fair Directors. A stand-in is not eligible for Showmanship or Grooming competition. Violation of this rule will result in animal being sold at rail price.
19. Only the exhibitor and others approved by the Area Superintendent will be allowed to care for and groom the show animal.
20. No provisions will be made to sell animals disqualified. Only animals that are shown are eligible for auction sale.
21. 4-H and FFA swine classes will be shown and judged together. Selection of Champion and Reserve Champion shall be made from the first place winners in each class. The second place blue ribbon to the Champion will qualify to compete for Reserve Champion.
22. All swine entries will be screened by a sifting committee.
23. All unqualified or sifted animals must be removed from the Fairgrounds on the day of disqualification.

24. All exhibitors are required to wear boots, white long sleeve button down dress shirts, black pants (No Denim Blue Jeans!) during the show and sale. No hats allowed during the show and sale. FFA must wear Official Dress.
25. Each exhibitor or other representative will be responsible for feeding, watering and other care of his/her animal and will be required to help clean the barn.
26. All grooming of hogs will be done in a designated area. No washing at Fair.
27. The use of any cosmetics on a show animal may result in that animal being disqualified. Example: oil, powder, creams or altering agents. Exhibitors may use professional grooming products only.
28. All hogs will be bedded on shavings. No bedding hay allowed.
29. Exhibitors not properly feeding, caring for and/or managing hogs will be charged a fee and forfeit the right to all premiums won.
30. The sale of hogs will take place on Saturday, January 19, 2019 at 1pm.
31. Six percent (6%) of each exhibitor's sale price and any add-ons will be deducted by the Fair Association to help defray expenses.
32. All requirements must be met before the exhibitor may receive their premium checks.
33. Each exhibitor must write a minimum of three (3) letters to prospective buyers. Copies of these must be turned with your record book at the final check-in.
34. There will be a \$15.00 charge required at the time of application on each animal. These funds will be used to cover a portion of awards and set up for the Swine Show.
35. Each exhibitor must assume all liability in case of death or injury to his hog until removed from the Fairgrounds, at which time it becomes the liability of buyer.
36. The Manatee River Fair Association will only handle add-on's totaling \$25.00 or more.

37. The swine barn will be closed to the public during specified feeding and handling periods specified by the Barn Superintendent.

38. Exhibitors of sale animals must present a thank you letter and picture-plaque to their buyer. Exhibitor must submit verification to the fair office by July 1st with a signature from the buyer to obtain their sale checks. Add-On checks will be mailed when each exhibitor's add-on monies are received by the fair office. **See General Rules #18.**

39. No Swine shall be fed after 9 AM on the day of the sale.

QUESTIONS

If you have a question about your entry into the Manatee County Fair, please follow the chain-of-command as listed below:

1st – contact your **CLUB LEADER**; if they are unable to answer your question, then

2nd – contact your **AREA SUPERINTENDENT** – Swine, Bob Brouwer at 941-722-1639.

3rd – contact the **FAIR LIVESTOCK DIRECTOR** – Swine, Lynn Howell at 322-1311.