

MARKET HOG DIVISION



Entry Deadline -----	January 15
Entry Fee -----	\$20.00
Delivery to Show Grounds -----	12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday, March 11 -----8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Validation Check-----	5:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Classifying / Judging -----	4:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 13 ----- 8:00 a.m., Thursday, March 14
Showmanship -----	8:00 a.m., Friday, March 15
Load Out (time subject to change) -----	6:00 p.m., Saturday, March 16

MARKET HOG DIVISION RULES

Notice to Exhibitors: All sifted hogs must be removed from the Showgrounds immediately after sifting. Hogs suspected to be less than 220 pounds will be weighed by committee, hogs less than 220 pounds must be taken home at that time. All others must be consigned by the exhibitor and or buyer to the processing plant, individual, etc. assigned by the Show Management. Violation of this rule will result in exhibitor being barred from future shows.

1. Each exhibitor must be a member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County, and their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club from November 1, 2018 thru the Show period.
2. FFA and 4-H exhibitors must be in the third grade or at least nine years old, but under twenty as of January 1, 2019.
3. Market hogs must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor as of November 30, 2018, and must be continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor as a project under the supervision of AST, CEA or 4-H Club manager. Exhibitor must care for their hog until Saturday 5 pm.
4. Both barrows and gilts are eligible to be entered. All market hogs must have been validated by the Texas Swine Validation Program by November 30, 2018. **A copy of the validation form must be attached to the Entry Certification form.**

5. An exhibitor may enter only one hog. An entry fee of \$20.00 must accompany the entry application. Deadline for entries is January 15, 2019.
6. Any animal, which is found to have been entered in another show under a different exhibitor's name, other than the name entered in this Show, will be declared ineligible. Any animal that has gone through an auction at another show is ineligible for this Show. Market hogs found to have evidence of more than one validation, will be ineligible to show unless the proper Change of Ownership Forms are recorded, reflecting why there is evidence of more than one validation and that the previous validation(s) have been canceled.
7. All market hogs weighing less than **225 lbs.** and over **280 lbs.** will automatically be sifted. Animals will be re-weighed at the discretion of the Division Chairman. The Sifting Committee will attempt to remove all market hogs, which in its opinion will not grade U.S. #1 or #2. The Sifting Committee will also sift market hogs, which in its opinion are not of stock show caliber regardless of the grade the carcass might produce. Hogs that are found to have injuries or illness are subject to sift at the discretion of the Market Hog Committee & Show Veterinarian.
8. Exhibitors must declare animal weight, breed and State Validation # on weight card. The weight listed on the Weight Card will become that animal's official declared weight to be used for weigh back and selling purposes. Exhibitors must complete the Weight Card to include declared weight and state validation tag number and breed. Errors on class and weight postings will NOT be changed after Wednesday, March 13th at 12:00 p.m. All exhibitors participating in showmanship must declare their decision on the back of their weight card along with their AGE. No showmanship entries will be added after Tuesday, March 13th at 5:00 p.m.
9. Market Hogs will be classified by the **Judge** as they enter the show ring.
10. Scales will be allowed in the barn during sifting and judging within organizations assigned pens or designated areas, provided they are tagged with the organizations name and they must state "Non-Official Scale". No scales will be allowed in alley ways at any time. Scales must be removed within one hour following the final judging. Failure to follow scale rules will result in a \$50 fine.
11. A market hog, which in the opinion of Judge, does not have predominant breed characteristics of the class in which it is entered may be sifted from the Show or, with the approval of the Division Superintendent and the Show Management, moved by the Judge to the class, which in his opinion, the animal is eligible to be entered.
12. Crossbreed is defined as an animal whose sire and dam are of different breeds.

13. Hogs may be re-weighed during judging at a time determined by the Superintendent. Any hog weighing more than 10 pounds above or 5 pounds less than his initial official show weight will become ineligible for any award or placing. Once market hog validation card is turned in, no hog will be permitted to leave RGVLS property.
14. No oil, oil-based products, or powder will be permitted on market hogs. Animals entering the ring groomed with any of these products will be ruled ineligible to show.
15. Positively no one but exhibitors and show officials will be allowed in the judging arena or on the arena director's stand during sifting and judging.
16. All Market Hogs will be sold to the person or company submitting the highest bid
17. The Hog Committee may collect a hair and/or blood sample from any hog entered in the Show for the purpose of conducting a DNA analysis. Any hog not having a positive match from the DNA analysis of this hair and/or blood sample compared to the DNA analysis of the samples taken from it at the time of enrollment in the state validation program will be disqualified.
18. Exhibitors may NOT remove ear tags from their animals. Any club with an animal ear tag missing will be fined. If ear tag falls off, it must be turned into the Market Hog Committee Chairperson. Exhibitors may NOT remove pen numbers from pen where their animal was stalled. Removal of ear tags and/or pen numbers may result in exhibitors' premium money and/or resale money being held by RGVLS.
- 19. Animals must stay in assigned pens! You cannot build your own pen. You should bring your own dividers.**
- 20. Champs for Champions Sale --Exhibitor or representative must be with the sale animal and be ON TIME.**
21. All alley ways are to be kept clear of show boxes, feed boxes, wagons and other items that may cause harm to hogs or people walking down the alley ways. No boxes will be allowed to hang on the outside of pen. All chairs are to be removed from alley ways during show hours.

CLASSES

After sifting and weighing, hogs will be divided by the following breeds:

1. Duroc
2. Hampshire
3. Yorkshire
4. Dark Other Purebreeds
5. Light Other Purebreeds
6. Dark Crossbreeds
7. Light Other Crossbreed

Judging for the Market Hog show will start Wednesday, March 13 at 4:00 p.m. with the following classes: Duroc, Dark OPB, and Light OPB and Yorkshire. Judging will continue Thursday, March 14 at 8:00 a.m. starting with Hampshire, Dark Cross, Light Other Cross and then Champion Drive. Market Hog Showmanship will begin Friday, March 15 at 8:00 a.m.

In the event there are as many as seventy-five entries of another Purebreed, classes will be added for that breed. If the number of entries of any breed falls below 40, that breed class will be discontinued the following year. Hogs will be put in classes as nearly equal in number as possible. All hogs of the same weight will be put in the lower weight group.

First place hogs in each breed class will compete for Breed Champion. Second place winner in class, which produced the Breed Champion, will compete with remaining first place hogs of the breed for Reserve Breed Champion.

Breed Champions ----- Scholarship, Belt Buckle & Rosette
 Reserve Breed Champion----- Rosette
 Grand Champion----- Belt Buckle, Trophy & Banner
 Reserve Grand Champion ----- Trophy & Banner
 (Reserve Champion of the breed that furnished the Grand Champion will compete with remaining Breed Champions for Reserve Grand Champion.)

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

SCHEDULE OF PREMIUM AWARDS

Premium will be based on the number of head showing in each class:

PREMIUMS AWARDED

1 - 10 Entries -----To 5thPlace
 11 - 20 Entries----- To 10th Place
 21 - 30 Entries----- To 15th Place
 Over 30 Entries ----- To 20th Place

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
4 -----	\$32
5 -----	\$31
6 -----	\$30
7 -----	\$29
8 -----	\$28
9 -----	\$27
10-----	\$26
11-----	\$25
12-----	\$24
13-----	\$23
14-----	\$22
15-----	\$21
16-----	\$20
17-----	\$19
18-----	\$18
19-----	\$17
20-----	\$16

MARKET HOG DIVISION SHOWMANSHIP

All exhibitors of hogs are eligible to compete. Exhibitor must show own hog for showmanship and exhibitor number is required. Exhibitors will be divided into three age groups.

15 years old and
over 12 to 14 years
of age
8 to 11 years of age
As of day of contest

Awards will be made on the basis of showmanship, neatness of exhibitor, show condition and behavior of animal.

Prizes will be awarded in each age group as follow:

1st place ----- \$415.00 and Belt Buckle
2nd place ----- \$390.00 and ribbon
3rd place ----- \$365.00 and ribbon
4th place----- \$340.00 and ribbon
5th place----- \$315.00 and ribbon