

2025 FLORIDA AGRICULTURE & WILDLIFE EXPO SWINE SHOW AND SALE RULES AND REGULATIONS



Entry due: November 15, 2024 Initial tag-in: December 8, 2024 Mandatory Workshop: Jan. 14, 2025 Record Books Due: March 7, 2025 Show/manship: March 18, 2025

Sale date: March 19, 2025 Mandatory Clean up: March 20. 2025

Entry Form and \$25.00 (non-refundable) entry fee must be turned into Ms. Nelson, Ms. Wilson, or Dr. Moores, or postmarked by November 15, 2024. **Two same species animals can be pre-registered but MUST be registered with separate entry forms** – Only one entry fee required. Only one animal can be brought to final weigh in.

RFID required.

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, events will occur at Rock Lake, 8132 Croom Rital Rd, BV, 34602.

1. <u>INITIAL TAG-IN – Exhibitor must be present and participate</u>

- 1A. A single tagging and tattooing event will happen for 2024-2025. Swine are required to be tattooed and ear tagged Sunday, December 8, 2024 beginning at 2:00pm (in line by 3:00pm).
- 1B. Entries may be barrow or open gilts (no boars or stag).
- 1C. Recommended beginning weight of swine at initial tagging is 100 pounds.
- 1D. All swine will be tagged at initial tag-in. If an ear tag is lost, the exhibitor must notify their FFA Advisor, 4-H Leader and/or agent in writing. The Advisor, Leader or Agent must contact the FAWE and advise them of the missing ear tag.
- 1E. Exhibitors will be issued an official record book which must be completed by the exhibitor and submitted by March 7, 2025 at 4:00pm. Estimated final weights will be used. Hard copies and electronic copies will be provided. *Current year versions must be used.*

2. POST INITIAL TAG-IN TO FINAL ENTRY

- 2A. The FAWE Livestock Committee would like to emphasize general care, grooming, cleaning of stalls/pens, and feeding of projects are the responsibility of the exhibitor, with assistance only from FFA Advisor, 4-H Leader, Livestock Committee, Parent/Guardian, or fellow exhibitor.
- 2B. All swine must weigh at least 220 lb. at the March 16, 2025 final weigh-in.
- 2C. All exhibitors must attend the mandatory workshop January 14, 2025 beginning at 6:30pm. This event will be held at VFW Post 10209 located at 14736 Edward R. Noll Drive, Spring Hill, 34609. Failure to attend this workshop in person may result in disqualification. Make-up dates are possible but not guaranteed.
- 2D. The FAWE Management and/or Livestock Committee members reserve the right to visit the swine at the location disclosed as their place of housing with 24-hour notice to exhibitor and parent/guardian. Notice will be in writing to the email address as listed on the entry form.

3. FINAL WEIGH-IN

- 3A. FINAL WEIGH-IN will be held on March 16, 2025 beginning at 7:00 am. *YOU MUST BE IN LINE BY 9:00 am.*
 - -Swine weighing more than 320 pounds will be sold at 320 pounds
 - -Swine not meeting minimum weight of 220 lbs will be considered a lightweight swine. Lightweight swine are eligible for record book and showmanship competition only. Lightweight swine will be sold at the end of the auction.
- 3B. During Final Weigh-in, no equipment/tack/supplies will be unloaded until after the final swine is weighed. Exhibitors having supplies that must be removed to unload their animal will be sent to the end of the line. All equipment must be kept in their designated areas for the duration the FAWE. Each club/chapter can only have one trailer in the designated area (an additional trailer may be allowed for those with a high number of participants but must be requested); any unauthorized vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense. If the trailer your animal is riding in is ready to be unloaded, and you are not present, your animal will go to the end of the line.
- 3C. Health Regulations are subject to the Florida Department of Agriculture regulations in effect at the time. The FAWE Office will keep you informed of these regulations. No animal showing visible signs of illness or infestation will be accepted at the FAWE grounds. Any animal displaying external parasites at either initial check in or final weigh-in will not be permitted off the trailer (unless approved by a veterinarian or designee) and will be refused entry into the FAWE. Animals will be inspected prior to unloading. All withdrawal times must be observed for any medication given to a market animal.

3D. NEW NEW NEW

RECORD BOOKS: Each exhibitor must complete a record book on their swine. Record books will be due March 7, 2025 and must be complete including estimates where required. All exhibitors must use the official 2024-25 FAWE Livestock Record Book. Failure to comply with this rule will result in disqualification. **ALL SIGNATURES MUST BE ORIGINALS**.

- 3E. No swine may be exhibited in competition that cannot be effectively managed by the exhibitor. If an animal is unmanageable in the show arena, the animal may be dismissed at the discretion of the judge. If a judge excuses an animal from the arena, or if the animal is dismissed during the show, that animal will not be permitted to return for showmanship.
- 3F. Pen spaces will be assigned as club groups at random by the FAWE Livestock Committee.

4. <u>EXHIBIT PERIOD</u>

- 4A. Swine must be cared for from the time of arrival until swine are removed. No Feed Buckets can be left in pens. Only secured gravity waterers are allowed to be left in the swine pen. All water pails, buckets, etc. must be removed. Feeding of animals must be completed by 10:00 a.m. and again by 9:00p.m. If there is a show going on, then an hour after show is completed in the evening. Swine are recommended to be exercised daily.
 - *There will be no feeding or bathing of animals during any livestock show.
 - *Additional care may be provided at the discretion of the FAWE Livestock Committee.

4B. **FEED AND BEDDING: LIMITED** Bedding will be provided by Management. Feed and water buckets must be provided by the exhibitor. Management reserves the right to stipulate the bucket type. Materials that may be dangerous, such as fences, metal pitchforks, metal rakes, hay nets, etc. will not be allowed in the **show or barn** area. No flowers or plants will be allowed in the exhibit area, except those provided by management.

Additional bedding supplied by exhibitors is permitted.

- -Show boxes or other tack may NOT be placed in the animal pen, wash rack, or show area.
- -Each club will be designated a trailer area for supply and equipment storage.
- 4C. **MEDICATIONS:** The administration of medication for scours, or other conditions shall be done under the direct supervision of a veterinarian or swine committee member this includes pig calm. The swine committee chair must be notified that such medication is being administered. Unauthorized dispensing of medications is considered unethical and may result in disqualification of the animal and/or exhibitor.

5. SHOW, SHOWMANSHIP & SALE

- 5A. Judging will take place March 18, 2025 beginning at 6:00 pm. The <u>sale</u> of swine will take place March 19, 2025 immediately following steer which begins at 6:30pm. **No supplies or tack may be removed until March 20, 2025 between 10:00 and 11:00 am.**
- 5B. Final classes will be determined by weight as necessary to assure manageable numbers in Show Classes. Premiums will be paid in all weight classes. All blue-ribbon class winners will compete for Grand Champion. The swine standing second in the Grand Champion's class will be eligible to compete for Reserve Grand Champion if earning a blue ribbon.
- 5C. Exhibitors must line up in class order/order called. Failure to do so may lead to disqualification. Youth will be called twice as well as provided access to the written order in advance. If they do not line up immediately following the second call, they will not enter the class.
- 5D. SHOWMANSHIP participation is voluntary but highly encouraged. Club/Chapter/Family entries are eligible for up to two age divisions, one each. A youth must make an official declaration of participation at final weigh in when their swine clears the scale.
- 5E. All who bid and purchase must be pre-registered and must have a buyer number. Buyers are requested to pay the night of the sale. If the buyer requires an invoice to pay, invoices will be mailed no later than 7 days after the sale and payment is expected in 30 days. FAWE may charge a late fee on invoices not paid within 30 days.
- 5F. Buyers gifts are highly recommended for your projects. These gifts do not have to be expensive it is the thought that counts. Examples: Plants, BBQ supplies, Gift Cards, Gift Baskets of anything you feel your buyer will love.
- 5G. ALL ANIMALS SOLD MUST GO TO SLAUGHTER. As a condition of acceptance in the sale, Exhibitor (seller) agrees that all animals in the sale must be sold and slated for processing. No buyer is obligated to buy. There is no certain price per pound guaranteed.

5H. All Exhibitors will pay their bills relating to their project within 30 days of checks being issued. The FAWE Livestock Committee reserves the right to refuse entry into the show, or subsequent shows, because of any failure of Exhibitor to uphold their financial responsibilities relative to their project. This includes any monies owed to a farmer, rancher, individual, feed mill, or store who supplied/provided an animal, boarding, tack, feed, or hay to an Exhibitor, with the promise of payment to them, once monies were received from the FAWE, and said promise has not yet been fulfilled. The exhibitor will **NOT** be allowed to show any animals at the FAWE until said debts have been paid in full. The debtor must contact the FAWE to advise that said debt has been paid.

6. **POST SALE**

- 6A. Loading of animals after the sale will be supervised by the Livestock and FAWE Committee members ONLY and will be done in pre-designated areas. Any individual loading an animal without appropriate personnel in attendance or in a non-designated area will be fined \$250. If said individual has youth participating in the FAWE sales, their checks will be held until the fine is paid. It is not our intention to penalize the youth exhibitors but to stress the importance of these strict policies.
- 6B. All exhibitors must participate in the mandatory clean-up March 20, 2025 from 10:00-11:00am. Youth must remain present the entire hour and check-in and out at the table. Failure to do so will result in a fine and possibly a loss of premiums.

There are additional rules listed as GENERAL. All exhibitors are responsible for those in addition to these species-specific rules. By signing the registration form attached, all youth and guardians agree to abide by all rules and understand the consequences of all violations.

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SWINE SHOW AND SALE ENTRY FORM



FAWE USE ONLY Received Date/Time:____ Received by:____ Payment Amt.:___/Rct #:___

FAWE USE ONLY

Swine Tag No._____
Ending Wt:____



Every swine must have an official II	D. Enter the tag # here o	r indicate one is nee	eded:
Exhibitor Name:			
Mailing Address:		City:	Zip
Residential Address, if different:		City:	Zip
Home#:		Cell#:	
Date of Birth:	Grade:	School:	
Your age as of September 1, 2024:	E-mail:		
Address where swine will be housed	l:		
Parent/Guardian Name(s):			
Contact #:			
4-H or FFA Member:	Club/Chapter:		
FFA members require one signatu	ıre; 4-H members requ	ire two signatures:	
FFA Advisor Signature:			_Date:
<u>or</u> 4-H Club Leader Signature: and			_ Date:
			Date:
	OW & SALE. WE BOTH F		AUTHORIZE MY CHILD TO ENTER THIS WLEDGE, AND WE AGREE TO ABIDE BY,
Exhibitors Signature:		Date:	
Parent/Guardian Signature:		Date	:

Exhibitors may turn entry form and payment into Ms. Nelson, Ms. Wilson, or Dr. Moores. If you choose, you may Mail Entry Form and \$25.00 Entry Fee, and to: FAWE - P.O. Box 12025 - Brooksville, FL 34603 (Must be turned in or postmarked NO LATER THAN November 15, 2024

T-Shirt Size (Circle Appropriate Size for Exhibitor)

Youth: Small Medium Large

<u>Adult:</u> Small Medium Large X-Large XX-Large XXX-Large XXXX-Large If registering a club/chapter/family animal, multiple shirts are permitted