

# 2009 CITRUS COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION SWINE SHOW RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Exhibitor **must register their hog** with the Citrus County Fair Association by **attending the Mandatory Swine Exhibitors meeting on Sunday, September 28, 2008 from 2:00 – 4:00 PM. at the Livestock Barn. No forms will be accepted at the Fair Office. There is a \$30.00 non-refundable Entry fee due with registration.**

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(A) There is a **limit of 65 entries** and alternates as drawn (to be enforced only if entries exceed more than 65). There will be a drawing on Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m., 8 days following the closing of registration, at the Citrus County Fair Main Gate Bldg.

(B) 4-H Club and FFA Chapter animals entries will be deleted until individual entries have been drawn.

(C) If an exhibitor was an alternate in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade and successfully completes their project, including a completed Record Book and completes all 4-H and/or FFA requirements they will be automatically eligible to show in their 12<sup>th</sup> grade year, in the March 2010 Citrus County Fair.

3. Exhibitor may show and sell only one hog. 4-H Clubs and F.F.A. Chapters may show and sell only one hog per group.

4. **ALL HOGS MUST BE BROUGHT TO THE FAIRGROUNDS FOR TAGGING ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2008 at 8:00 am. All Exhibitors must be present for tagging. Only barrows and gilts will be tagged; no boars! CASTRATION MUST BE DONE PRIOR TO THIS DAY!**

5. All hogs must weigh a minimum of **230 lbs. at the final weigh-in and must grade U.S. #1. An ultrasound machine will be used with the USDA grading formula to determine grades. All sifted hogs must be removed from the fairgrounds and will not be shown or sold.**

6. Hogs may be either a Barrow or Gilt only. **NO BOARS. SHOW GILTS MUST NOT BE HOUSED WITH BOARS AFTER THE INITIAL TAGGING.**

7. All hogs **must weigh a minimum of 230 Lbs.** at Fair weigh in to be eligible for show and sale. The Livestock Committee will divide all hogs into classes by weight.

8. Exhibitors will not be paid for (nor will any buyer be charged for) any weight over 300 Lbs.

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All hogs will be graded using an ultrasound machine and weighed before judging to be given an official grade; **ONLY US # 1 hogs will be shown and sold.**

(A) All hogs accepted in the show must be consigned to the auction sale to be harvested.

(B) Any hog with lice, ticks or other parasites will be disqualified and not accepted into the show.

(C) All sifted or disqualified hogs must be removed from the grounds immediately.

(D) The management will not sponsor a sale for disqualified or sifted hogs.

(E) **Hogs may not be shaved. Hog may be clipped with minimum of ½ inch hair length.**

(F) Exhibitors and their parent or guardian will be required to sign a drug certificate which must be turned in at final weigh in.

10. Grooming will be performed by the **Exhibitors only.**

11. **The Livestock Committee will present one educational meeting on the entry day. This meeting must be attended by every Exhibitor to enter the swine show. The Exhibitor and a Parent or Guardian, 4-H Leader, Agriculture Teacher or responsible Adult WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND TOGETHER, in order to show. Exhibitor and Parent/Guardian, 4-H Leader, Agriculture Teacher or responsible Adult must sign in to receive credit for attending. Additional educational meetings may be presented during the project period (March through February) and are optional.**

12. **Two separate Buyer Letters (ONE TO A PREVIOUS BUYER AND ONE TO A NEW BUYER, ADDRESSED, STAMPED, AND UNSEALED WITH YOUR RETURN ADDRESS) will be required for sale animal exhibitors, and must be turned in to the Fair Office by 5:00 P.M. FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2009. Only two (2) letters will be accepted at the Fair Office; however, you are encouraged to send out more on your own. POSTMARKED OR METERED MAIL THAT ARRIVES AFTER THIS DATE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. A LIST OF PREVIOUS BUYERS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE FAIR OFFICE.**
13. AWARDS & PREMIUMS - the Modified Danish System will judge Entries.

**BLUE \$5.00                      RED \$3.00                      WHITE \$1.00**

PERSONS WISHING TO COMPETE IN SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES MUST SO DESIGNATE BY TAGGING DAY, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2008 AND PAY A NON-REFUNDABLE FEE OF \$10.00. (PARTICIPATION IS OPTIONAL.) \*This fee is non-refundable, even if your swine is sifted and does not show.

**PAYOUT FOR SHOWMANSHIP IS A PERCENTAGE OF ENTRY FEES COLLECTED:**

1 <sup>ST</sup>	25% OF THE ENTRY FEES	4 <sup>TH</sup>	15% OF THE ENTRY FEES
2 <sup>ND</sup>	20% OF THE ENTRY FEES	5 <sup>TH</sup>	12 1/2% OF THE ENTRY FEES
3 <sup>RD</sup>	17 1/2% OF THE ENTRY FEES	6 <sup>TH</sup>	10% OF THE ENTRY FEES

**RIBBONS WILL BE AWARDED 1<sup>st</sup> THROUGH 6<sup>th</sup>**

14. Each exhibitor will be required to bring an unopened 50 Lbs. bag of Pig/Swine feed upon entry to the Fair.
15. Thank you Letters for Buyers, Trophy Sponsors and Add-Ons must be in the Fair Office before a check will be issued to the Exhibitor. BRING YOUR LETTERS TO BARN CLEAN UP, OR TO THE FAIR OFFICE BEFORE THE BARN CLEAN UP DATE. LETTERS MUST BE **STAMPED**, ADDRESSED, AND **UNSEALED** WITH YOUR RETURN ADDRESS ON THE ENVELOPE. Letters must be turned in to the designated person who will be posted, so your name will be removed from the list. All money will be withheld until letters are written. Should deadline be missed there will be a \$25.00 forfeit. (There is a trophy sponsor address label on the bottom of the trophy.)
16. Failure to comply with any of the above rules and regulations will subject the exhibitor to disqualification and removal from the project or Fairgrounds.

**EXHIBITOR: FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS BE SURE TO READ THE LIVESTOCK ADDENDUM, IAFE NATIONAL CODE OF SHOWRING ETHICS, THE CITRUS COUNTY FAIR GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULES & REGULATIONS AND THE LIVESTOCK SCHEDULE AS THEY PERTAIN TO ALL LIVESTOCK SHOWS.**