



**Market Swine**

FairEntry Entries Due: **Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026 by 4:30 PM**

Mandatory Tag-In: **Sunday, May 3rd, 2026, from 12-2 PM**

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To: Shelby County Junior Fair Market Swine Exhibitors

Re: Market Swine Registration Procedures, Dates, and More

This packet contains information regarding market swine registration procedures, rules, and dates for the 2026 Shelby County Junior Fair.

If you know of new 4-H or FFA members planning to exhibit market hogs, please pass along these procedures and dates. Information regarding entering market hogs for exhibition at the 2026 Ohio State Fair is also enclosed.

**Important Dates**

- All market hogs must be under the care of the exhibitor by **Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026**.
- Market swine entries are due on *FairEntry* no later than **Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 4:30 PM**.
- Market Swine 840 tag pick up will be held on **Sunday, May 3rd, 2026**, from 12:00 to 2:00 PM at the Shelby County Sale Committee Office on the Shelby County Fairgrounds.
- ALL livestock exhibitors (market and lactating species) MUST attend a Quality Assurance or successfully test out of QA to be eligible to compete at the 2026 Shelby County Junior Fair. Please visit <http://go.osu.edu/shelbyQA> for details about Quality Assurance.

**Registration**

- If market hogs are **NOT** entered on *FairEntry* by **Friday, May 15th, 2026**, exhibitors will **NOT** be permitted to show or sell market hogs at the 2026 Shelby County Junior Fair.
- Photo IDs **MUST** include two photos: **1)** face picture with ear notches & 840 tag visible (in ear), **2)** photo of the 840 tag for that entry (with all numbers visible)
  - There will be two spots for ear notch photos if you prefer to submit each ear separately

**Important Information**

- Market hogs must weigh between 210 and 290 lbs. to participate in the championship drive. Hogs weighing 200-209 lbs. or from 291-300 lbs. will show in under/overweight classes and will not be eligible for the championship drive. They will be permitted to sell through the Livestock Sale. Hogs weighing 199 or less and 301 lbs. or more must be sent home by 8:00 AM on the day after weigh-in.
  - There will be no re-weigh of any hogs (open or junior) at any time. All hogs will only cross the scale ONE time.
- Market hogs must have hair at least one-half inch in length on the body with exception of the ears and tail ONLY. (Note: The underline, along with the body, is NOT to have less than one half inch of hair.)
- The Senior Fair Board has decided to drop the Ractopamine ban for the 2025 Shelby County Fair. Exhibitors **WILL NOT** need to sign and return the "Never Fed Ractopamine" affidavit for participation in the 2026 Shelby County Fair!
- **New rule in 2026: 1st & 2nd place hogs will be wiped down after each class as they exit arena to check for artificial coloring and oil rules.**
- **New Rule in 2026: The final drive consists of the breed champion from each breed of purebreds and the division crossbred winners. Thus, no champion or reserve purebred is selected.**

### **Important Information Con.**

- If you have questions specific to weighing, tagging or the livestock sale, please call one of the following Livestock Sale Market Swine sub-committee members:

Pat Knouff	(937) 489-6700
Dan Platfoot	(937) 603-8242
Tim Gehret	(937) 538- 0094
Tyler Shuster	(937) 638-5435

### **Reminder: Prohibited Practices**

- No oil/oil like show dressing will be permitted for the Shelby County Fair. Water is the preferred and accepted show dressing.
- Adding any substance externally to build up, change, or alter the shape or conformation of the livestock, including by the way of but not limited to rope, false hair, graphite, hemp, and powders (ORC 901-19-33).
- Using ice, ice packs, cold packs, or cold compresses internally or externally.
- Drenching of livestock at an exhibition is prohibited.
- Additional guidelines can be found by reviewing Ohio Revised Code 901-19-13 and Ohio Revised Code 901-19-33.

### **DUNF Forms**

- Completed Drug Use Notification Forms (DUNF) are required for each animal shown at the Shelby County Junior Fair. Once again, the ODA will be requiring online submission of these forms. More information will be sent out prior to the fair.
- ALL animals MUST be **free** of **any** medication **prior** to submission of the DUNF **before** the animal crosses the scale at weigh-in for the 2026 Shelby County Junior Fair!

### **Ohio State Fair**

- Entries are due on-line by **Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026, by 1:00 PM. Absolutely no late entries will be accepted!**
- You will be required to provide information for either your 4-H County Extension Professional or your FFA advisor.
- Entries can be made on-line at [www.ohiostatefair.com](http://www.ohiostatefair.com) (Exhibitors should keep their exact login information).

If you have any questions regarding the Ohio State Fair, please contact our office at 937-419-4309.



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