

# SWINE

**Components:** State Market Hog Show

## **Registration and Ownership:**

Market hogs should be weighed and tagged at least 90 days prior to the State 4-H & FFA Market Hog Show. This date varies from year to year. 4-H members may tag up to 12 hogs. Each exhibitor may show up to two pens of three and up to six individuals (singles) in the show. Hogs shown in the pens of three cannot be shown as individuals.

All exhibitors must be certified at level III of the Youth Pork Quality Assurance Program (PQA) in order to exhibit hogs at the show. Contact Glenn Conatser, State Extension Swine Specialist, to make arrangements for certification. For additional information, refer to the State 4-H & FFA Market Hog Show General Information - Rules and Regulations, located on the UT Extension's Animal Science Department, 4-H Swine Program web at [http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu/swine/swine\\_4-H\\_show\\_general\\_info.htm](http://animalscience.ag.utk.edu/swine/swine_4-H_show_general_info.htm)

**Publications:** SP151 4-H & FFA Market Hog Program  
PB982 Market Hog Handbook  
PB1037 Nutrition and Digestion  
All other 4-H Swine Project Manuals  
*(Due to limited budgets, availability of publications may be limited.)*

## **Regional Show:**

Exhibitors do not have to show on the regional-level to qualify for the State Show. Contact the Region Office for information about regional show (if applicable).

## **Skillathon:**

A skillathon is conducted at the Regional and State show which challenges the participants on their practical knowledge of the Swine industry. For more information, see "Skillathon" in the judging team section.

## **State Show:**

The State 4-H & FFA Market Hog Show takes place during the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of January at the Tennessee Livestock Center on the campus of Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro. Exhibitors do not have to qualify for the state show.

## **Specialists:**

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