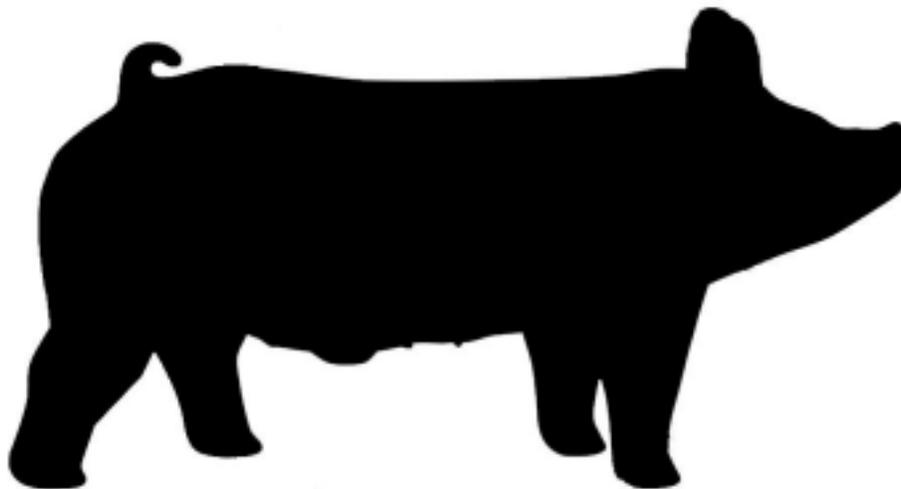


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HOG EXHIBITOR HANDBOOK



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IMPORTANT DATES

Entry Forms & Fees: TBH

Market Hog Pick-Up: July-October (
depending on what show you go to)

Validation Date: TBH

2021 Show Dates:

Williamson county first week of December

Jan. 7-9 - Ft Worth Barrow Show

Feb. 10-13 - San Antonio Gilt Show

Feb. 12-14 - Kerrville Gilt Show (Teacher hauling)

Feb. 21-25 - San Antonio Barrow Show March.

4-5 - Houston Gilt Show

March. 13-18 - Houston Barrow Show

MARKET AND BREEDING HOG PROJECT

- Market Barrows raised for meat production
- Breeding Gilts are raised for Production and to be bred. Some breeders allow you to “lease” gilts with the expectation you return them at the end of the season.
- Breeds most commonly shown:
 - Crosses, Chester, Landrace, Duroc, Berkshire, Poland
- 6-8 Month project.
- Barrows are shown as Market hogs. You can make the sale at the County show but the project will still come back with you to show at majors. Market hog shows at Majors are TERMINAL. You will not come back with the hog.
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- You need to have a plan for what you will do with your Gilts after Major shows. If you are leasing a Gilt from a breeder you will need to get it back to the breeder within 2 weeks of your last show. If you bought your gilt outright you will need to take it to a butcher or remove it from the school facility 2 weeks after your last show.

BASIC HOG SUPPLIES

Equipment Needed BEFORE picking up your hogs:

Farm contract signed, Feed trough, Sprayer, Feed(we start all hogs on Linder 611), Shavings (only from Feed and Garden), Heat lamp, Whip, Mixing bucket, Wooden spoon, Scoop, Trash Can for feed, Shampoo, Avon skin so soft oil and spray bottle.

Examples:



COST SUPPLY SUMMARY

Barrows: \$400 plus

Gilts: \$400 plus

Grower Feed - 50lb \$11-\$15

Electrolytes - \$60-\$70
Feed trough - \$18-\$20
Additives - \$100-\$200
Avon skin so soft - \$10-\$15
Pump sprayer - \$30
Metal trash can - \$30
Feed scoop - \$5
Shampoo - \$7
Heat lamp/bulb - \$25
Pine shavings- \$15/package
Whip- \$17
Stock bucket- \$20
Wooden spoon - \$6
Spray bottle - \$8
Safeguard Wormer - \$18
Needles/syringe - \$10

HANDLING + EXERCISE

Hog Exercise:

The first 2 weeks of the hog being at the school farm, DO NOT TAKE HOG OUT. Spend time with hog in the pen for at least 1 hour a day. Once hog has warmed up to you and built trust, use a whip and dip the end in honey. Practice getting the hog to walk back and forth in the pen following the whip with honey and keeping its head up for the remainder of the 2 weeks.

2 weeks is up: practice walking the hog outside of the pen still with honey on the whip.

Exercise the hog DAILY for a few hours A DAY. By show time the hog should be able to walk for an hour without getting tired.

DO NOT CHASE HOG, walk after them if they run.

Helpful video on how to walk:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=igLZ7M9KRDk>

Hog Grooming:

1. Wash your hog ONCE A DAY (especially if its a white hog) use a towel to dry hog off.
2. Do not get water in the hogs ears. This will cause infection.
3. Spray avon skin so soft mixture on hog after bath to keep skin shiny/healthy
4. Keep pen clean and free of feces and wet spots

Please pay attention to hog illness and let Teacher know IMMEDIATELY!!!

MARKET HOG FEEDING

We start all hogs on Linder 611 and change feed as needed. Start by feeding 2lbs in the morning and 2lbs in the evening.

Feed your hog in a 12 hour increment. If you feed at 6am, feed at 6pm.

If you hog isn't finishing all of its food, scale back until it starts eating it all. Never keep feed in there. They should only have 30 min to eat then dump the feed out.

Supplements will be added as necessary, these can not be predicted.

GETTING READY FOR SHOW

Arrival Show Checklist:

- Hog
- Shavings
- Feeder
- Waterer
- Feed
- Feed bucket
- Supplements
- Whip

- Brush
- Towel
- Shampoo
- Pump sprayer
- Pen dividers
- Show boards

Once you arrive at the show make sure you do the following:

- Check-In
- Place hogs in correct pens
- Be courteous to other people's space and animals
- Be respectful of the judge(s) and those who are working the show

SHOWMANSHIP

Showmanship is a combination of: (1) your appearance; (2) knowledge about hogs; (3) how well you maintain your hog while walking; (4) eye contact with judge