

Fond du Lac County

Market Livestock Committee

Fond du Lac County Fair, PO Box 1466 Fond du Lac, WI 54936

2019 Fond du Lac County Fair Market Livestock Sale Swine Self-Identification Process

This year, the Fond du Lac County Market Livestock Committee will NOT host an initial swine weigh-in. However, to identify hogs for this year's fair, the Market Livestock Committee will implement a "self-identification" process for project animals. Because there will be no official initial weigh-in, there will be no swine rate-of-gain contest.

Self-Identification Process:

- Exhibitors must self-identify his/her market hog project animal(s) by tagging the hog with the official Fond du Lac County Fair RFID tags, providing photo documentation of both ear tag placement and project animal, and completing the animal identification form.
- A double ear tag system (one visual ID, and one corresponding RFID tag) will be used. The visual ID tag is to be placed in one ear of the hog. The corresponding RFID tag is to be placed in the opposite ear.
- An exhibitor is allowed a maximum of five (5) hogs that can be identified.

Due to UW-Extension by (postmark date or 4:30 pm) Monday, April 15th:

- Form: The Fond du Lac County Fair Market Swine Initial Weigh-in Form is a triplicate, carbonless copy. Return top two (white and yellow) form completed and signed (one per family). Retain bottom (pink) copy for your records. Include on the form parents' name, premise ID, exhibitors' names and grade, four digit visual ear tag number and sex of hog. Multiple names may be indicated for an individual animal only in the case where it is within a family (brothers & sisters) and the animals are housed in the same location. No "switching" of animals may occur outside of immediate family members between initial identification and final weigh-in.
- There will be no DNA sampling or submission.
- Photo requirements (two photos):
 - Head shot of individual hog with ear tags clearly visible and properly attached. Ear tag number must be readable in the image.
 - o Full profile (side) view of individual hog showing markings.
 - Label each photo with ear tag of individual hog and family name.
- How to Submit Your Information and Photos:
 - Mail: Forms and photos may be mailed to UW-Extension, 400 University Drive, Room 227
 Admin/Extension Building, Fond du Lac, WI 54935
 - o Email:
 - Forms may be scanned in and emailed to Tina Engelhardt at <u>tina.engelhardt@wisc.edu</u>
 by April 15th with a hardcopy mailed to her shortly after.
 - Digital photos may be emailed to Tina Engelhardt at <u>tina.engelhardt@wisc.edu</u>. Photos can be emailed directly from phones. All photos must include family name and ear tag numbers of individual pigs!

• If an animal loses a tag, contact a member of the Market Livestock Committee to be issued a new tag. If an animal loses both ear tags, the animal will be disqualified from the competition.

For any questions, or for more information, regarding the Swine Self-Identification Process please contact a Market Livestock Committee Member.

Home Bred & Raised:

Home bred and raised will be a ribbon only class, one champion per species. To qualify for home bred and raised, the exhibitor or immediate family must have owned the dam (cow, sow, ewe, or doe) of the animal entered at the time of breeding. The immediate family is defined as a brother, sister, parent/guardian or grandparent. Exhibitors will identify the home bred and raised animals on the initial self-identification form.

LIVESTOCK SHOW & SALE RULES:

For all rules regarding the Fond du Lac County Fair Market Livestock Sale, please visit http://www.fonddulaccountyfair.com/ to view the rules within the fair premium book.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more general information regarding educational opportunities and resources, please visit https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/fdlmeat/. You can subscribe to get the latest information on updates to the webpage. Just go to the website and hit subscribe on the left side.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact a Market Livestock Committee member.

All self-ID documentation (forms and photos) must be returned to UW-Extension no later than 4:30 pm on Monday, April 15th.

Please note...the Fond du Lac County Fair Hog Show will be terminal. All hogs will go directly to slaughter immediately after the fair.

Please make appointments with a processor early to ensure a "home" for your hog. Non-sale hogs will not be hauled to the processors without an appointment and will be shipped to Equity Livestock Market "for slaughter only" immediately from the fair. The non-sale hog must have a "buyer". Extra hogs will not be purchased by the processors.

The following are a list of processors the Fond du Lac County Fair Market Livestock Sale will be shipping to. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor/family to make the necessary appointments. Please make appointments early as there are limited space at the processors.

Processor/Market*	Location	Phone Number
Loehr's Meat Market	Campbellsport	920.533.4513
Kewaskum Frozen Foods	Kewaskum	262.626.2181
Brandon Meats	Brandon	920.346.2227
Beck's Meat	Oshkosh	920.589.2104
Salchert's Meats	St. Cloud	920.999.2651