



MAUI 4-H LIVESTOCK

MARKET HOG PROJECT RULES

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INTRODUCTION

The Maui 4-H Livestock Program is part of a nation wide educational program. It is sponsored by the USDA, the Cooperative Extension Service of the University of Hawaii, and the Maui County 4-H Livestock Committee.

The goal of 4-H is to assist young people in acquiring knowledge, developing skills, and forming attitudes that will enable them to become self directed, productive, and contributing members of Society.

4-H projects emphasize learning - by - doing with emphasis on livestock management, and physiology of their animals. The Maui County 4-H Livestock Show offers an opportunity for 4-Hers to practice responsible skills, and develop leadership in areas of organization, showmanship, judging, and marketing of their animals.

The dedication and commitment of the 4-H leaders, families and members of the community who make this program possible are gratefully acknowledged.

Eligibility for Show

1. The 4-H Market Hog Project is open to all youth who are 9 years of age as of 1/1/16 and have not turned 19 by 1/1/16. The 4-Her must be enrolled in the 4-H program at the CES office prior to the swine weigh-in. The 4-Her must be a paid member of the Maui 4-H Livestock Association. Membership dues are \$5.00 per 4-Her, will be collected at weigh-in, along with project registration fee \$40.00. The 4-Her must physically care for his/her animal daily throughout the project.

2. Eligibility

a. To be eligible for the market hog contest and auction, the 4-H exhibitor must be enrolled in a market hog project by March 5, 2016 for the county show. This will be the initial weigh-in date. The weigh-in will take place at Louis Cambra's Residence: 80 Manienie Rd. Makawao from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. It is recommend that all animals be accompanied by the 4-Her, which will count towards Herdsmanship points for the county show. The 4-Her must have in his/her possession one market hog under suitable facilities and the hog initial weight must not exceed 80 pounds. The hog will be weighed and tattooed by the swine chairperson, assisted by the committee, at the weigh-in.

b. The hog must be recognized domestic breed or a cross resulting from purebred stock. A wild hog(s) is not eligible.

c. Tours or screening of the hog project may take place prior to the show. The hog will be declared ineligible at the first weigh-in if the animal is not of an acceptable market hog type. The screening committee will have the authority to declare an animal ineligible.

3. The Hawaii State 4-H Livestock Project Record Book must be current, handwritten by 4-Her, up-to-date and available for the swine committee at all times. It must be completed, and sent in to the club leader on date to be announced. Dates are to be set by CTAHR and to be announced at a later date, for judging. The record books must be turned in by the leader to the Extension Office no later than 3:30 p.m. for the dates mentioned above. If not turned in by the specified dates and time, the 4-Her will be disqualified. Record books must be signed by the club leader (no parents or 4-Her to turn in record books), to Maui Cooperative Extension Service Office is located at 310 Kaahumanu Avenue, Building 214, Kahului, HI. 96732.

4. To be eligible for the hog contest, all animals must be accompanied by the 4-Her and be at the show grounds, for weigh-in at the time and date specified by the 4-H Livestock Committee. Announcement of the dates will be made one month prior to show.

5. Animal will undergo visual inspection prior to being weighed at the county show by a state veterinarian if available or a selected certified veterinarian.

6. The intent of 4-H livestock projects is to allow all 4-Hers an equal opportunity to purchase, raise, show, and sell their animals. Any activity or intent to violate this rule will be grounds for declaring the animal and 4-Her ineligible for the show and sale. Any inhumane treatment of animals will result in disqualification. The livestock committee will be informed of any violations of these rules. The swine committee will have the final authority to disqualify any 4-Her and his/her animal.

7. Any grievances or criticisms of the Market Hog Project (including but not limited to pre-shows, tours, contest and sale) will be taken to the 4-H Livestock Executive Board in writing, and will include possible solutions to subject grievances or criticisms.

8. Should an animal die, be severely injured, or become sick enough to be disqualified from the project, 4-Hers can replace the hog by March 19, 2016. The replacement hog must not be more than 80 pounds. The swine chairperson along with its Committee must verify the disqualification.

9. Club leaders will provide each project participant with a set of rules and a record book at initial project meeting.

10. The 4-Her must have attended a Quality Assurance Workshop within the project year. This workshop is to be coordinated with the assistance of the Maui 4-H Livestock Board of Directors and CTAHR agent.

11. Whenever there are fewer than two (2) juniors or two (2) seniors, divisions will be combined with joint (open) competition and with one set of awards for the following: Showmanship, Herdsmanship and Record Book.

12. Whenever there are fewer than two (2) competitors competing in a species class the points accumulated (from that species) will not be used in the calculations for the Overall 4-H Award.

13. The top two (2) senior showmen from the Swine Showmanship contest are eligible to participate in the Supreme Showmanship competition. In the event that one (1) or both of these top two (2) winners choose not to represent the hog species in the competition, then the third place senior runner up will be eligible to compete in the Supreme Showmanship competition. In the event that there are not at least two (2) seniors entered in this event, the competition is cancelled. Animals for the contest will be selected by the Judge and a

committee of the species Chairpersons.

14. All animals entered in the Maui County 4-H Livestock Association show may be used in the Maui 4-H Livestock Supreme Showmanship contest.

Contest

1. Official Dress

4-H members are expected to wear official 4-H dress while participating in all show classes and showmanship classes. This shall consist of a white shirt with 4-H emblem on pocket, black or blue denim jeans, and covered shoes. A 4-H cap or cowboy hat is optional.

2. Market Hog Contest

- a. Judging of live animal competition will be based on desirable market characteristics, such as degree of muscling and leanness of the animal and structural correctness. The judge will select and recognize the Grand and Reserve Champion.

- b. A Supreme Champion Award will be given to the 4-Her of the hog project who scores the highest points.

3. Herdsmanship Contest

The herdsmanship contest will be judged on an individual basis, in both senior and junior classes. The individual basis will be judged at all weigh-in, (and may be judged at screenings, tours, pre-shows) and at the show. The Market Hog Committee will have the authority to designate individual herdsmanship recognition.

A total of 100 points can be obtained by each 4-Her in the herdsmanship competition: 40 points can be obtained by each 4-Her prior to the show by attending the swine weigh-in (10 pts.); physically attend general membership meetings (5 pts. each). 60 points can be obtained at the county show.

The basis of the judging will be:

- a. Neatness of exhibitors: uniform/4-H club shirt with 4-H emblem, black or blue denim jeans, covered shoes. 4-H cap or cowboy hat is optional.
- b. Cleanliness of animals.
- c. Cleanliness and appropriateness of Stalls and equipment.

- d. Independence of 4-Her in caring for the animal.
- e. General attitude and knowledge.
- f. Record book: 4-Hers are expected to keep complete and current record books that reflect the goals, efforts, and expenditures of the 4-H member. Independence of family assistance will be evaluated. All books must be handwritten by 4-Hers themselves. **A completed record book is mandatory to enter the contest and auction.**
- g. Recommendation of project leader.
- h. Trophies and awards will be determined by the Awards Committee. There will be junior and senior contests.
- i. Stall cards must be fully completed and in place by 8:00 a.m. Saturday (day of contest.)

4. Showmanship Contest

The Showmanship contest will be divided into three divisions. The divisions are as follows novice, junior, and senior division.

- a. Novice Division is made up of 4-Hers age 9-11 years old, who is participating in their first livestock show. No points in this division to carry over for 4-Her.
- b. Junior Division is made up of 4-Hers 9-13 years old. Points in this division will carry over for 4-Her.
- c. Senior Division is made up of 4-Hers 14-19 years old. Points in this division will carry over for 4-Her.
- d. Trophies and awards will be determined by the Awards Committee. There will be junior and senior contests.
- e. No 4-H participant will be exempt from the showmanship contest unless the Swine chairperson has been notified and excuse has been approved. Should a 4Her participant not comply, they will be excluded from herdsmanship competition.
- f. 4-Her must show swine that they officially enrolled at the weigh-in of the project to be eligible for showmanship contest.

It will be up to the individual junior 4-Her to decide which division they will participate in for the showmanship contest if they fall in the age group described above in a and b, understanding the difference between the two divisions. The 4-Her will be asked to inform the committee chairperson or appointed person on what division they have decided on for the contest.

*** The Novice division will have three place awards, but no points will be given or added to the 4-Hers overall total points. This division was created to give the junior division an opportunity to build on their fresh showmanship abilities as newcomers.

The 4-H contestants will be judged on their ability to groom, train, and present their

animals in the judging ring.

5. Carcass Contest

All hogs in the county show who do not go to the State Show will participate in the carcass contest. The hogs will be slaughtered at a plant-approved by the Maui 4-H Livestock Committee and graded by a federal grader or UH Swine Specialist on availability. The top carcass hog will be recognized as the Grand Champion, and the second highest ranking as Reserve Champion Carcass. Carcasses will be evaluated on the basis of carcass Standards and overall carcass quality.

6. Auction and Sale

1. Only hogs that weighed 160 pounds or more will be entered in the show and auction.
2. Any hog failing to meet the 160 pound minimum cannot enter into the Market Hog Contest and will have to remove the swine from the show grounds.
3. Sale order will be according to the placement in the show which is determined by the show judge: the highest place first. In case of more than one class, the judge will determine the order of sale.
4. Hog will be weighed on day of arrival on date and time specified by the committee. First weight reported by the weigh master will be the final weight for the show and sale purposes. All hogs will have one pass over the scale to qualify for the 160 pounds minimum weight.
5. 4-Hers and parents will be responsible to set up and clean up all areas used by the Maui 4-H Association, this will count as part of the herdsmanship contest. The 4-Hers will be responsible for their own stalls making sure all areas are clean and to perform any other tasks requested by the swine committee. All 4-Hers are responsible for their swine throughout the entire duration of the project which includes all weigh-ins, pre-shows, moving, showing, loading and unloading of animals until they are accepted by the slaughterhouse. **The association and its volunteers at the fair and auction are not liable for any animal injuries or death that might occur during any activity.** 4-H members can determine if their own personal insurance policies cover animal mortality. 4-Hers are also responsible for delivering the slaughtered Swine to the buyer in good condition.
6. The chairman and committee reserve the right to disqualify and remove any

hog from the show grounds that are not fit for show.

7. All hogs will be sold on a per pound basis up to 240 pounds.
8. Prior to the auction, an announcement will be made that all 4-H hogs sold through the sale be slaughtered at an approved slaughter house for carcass evaluation.
9. A Buyers Pupu entertainment tent will be set up for pupus and non-alcoholic beverages before the sale.
10. The exhibitor shall pay to the Maui 4-H Livestock Association:
 - a. 5% of sale price
 - b. Cost of slaughter
 - c. Unpaid fundraiser money (if applicable)
 - d. Registration Fee – A fee of \$40.00 per project will be collected at the first weigh-in, on the designated pick up date. Or collection be made at the general membership meeting preceding the Market Hog weigh in. Fees will be collected by a person designated by the committee and will be turned in to the treasurer. Should an animal die, registration fees are non-refundable.
 - e. Membership Dues: A fee of \$5.00 per 4-her raising a swine project will be collected at the first weigh-in.

(Note: Cash or checks payable to the Maui 4-H Livestock Association will be accepted. In an event that a check is returned for insufficient funds, a return fee will be charged)