

RACINE COUNTY FAIR



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Dear Racine County Fair Swine Exhibitor,

As I would hope everyone knows by now, the 2020 Racine County Fair is going to look different. The members of the swine committee have put many hours into trying to figure out how to have the best live show, and some form of a livestock auction that we can possibly have. We understand everyone won't agree with the changes, but it is better than having no fair at all. The following information is the best guideline we have today for how we will run the week of fair.

Thursday July 30th: Hogs will come down to the fairgrounds between 9AM and 4PM. We will have normal pen assignments in the barns by club. However, congregating and putting up any decorations is prohibited. Exhibitors will bring animals down during time slots assigned to their club. You will be asked to come in gate #9, and proceed west to enter the grounds in the far southwest corner of the grounds behind the swine barns. We **DO NOT** want swine trailers coming in front, or behind the beef barn, as their show will be going on during the day on Thursday. When you come around the west side of the west swine barn, you will all remain in your trucks until it is your turn to back up to the front of the west swine barn by the swine office. When it is your chance to back up and unload you will need to be prepared with your HEALTH PAPER, PUREBRED PAPER if you have a purebred hog, and the DNA tag must be in the hogs ear. We will be checking all three of these things, and weighing your hog as it comes off the trailer. You will then be able to exit the fairgrounds by going north in front of the Waterford FFA stand and then taking a right and exiting by the Treasurer's office, once again not driving in front of the beef barn.

Friday July 31st: The show will begin at 9:30AM. We don't anticipate it looking any different than a normal year, minus a few less people in the stands, and NO showmanship this year. We have a national level judge coming to judge, and the expectations are high to put on a great show, just as we would have if the full fair was happening.

Saturday August 1st: We will be having an auction, but exhibitors will not be responsible for bringing their animals up to the show ring. Your responsibility will likely be to send a picture of yourself and your hog, which will be used to sell your hog. Watch emails from the fair for updates on how this will work. Due to now having enough processor spots, there will be a new rule for the auction this year. If you are selling 2 hogs, only your first hog is eligible for processing or market. Your second pig will sell in the auction, but the buyer will have to choose market for the destination. It is still your responsibility on Saturday to feed and clean your hogs pen.

Sunday August 2nd: Once again we will ask for exhibitors to come down and care for their animals Sunday morning as we will not be getting them all removed from the grounds until later in the day.

Monday August 3rd: Shaving must be removed from your pens after 12:00PM on Monday, and before 6PM on Tuesday the August 4th. We **DO NOT** want exhibitors planning on removing shavings on Sunday, as we may have some hogs that we can't load out until Monday morning.

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