2023 COLORADO STATE FAIR
PREMIER MARKET HOG EXHIBITOR COMPETITION

DIVISION # 955
ENTRY FEE: N/A

I. Competition Requirements:

A. All exhibitors must have read and adhere to the Colorado State Fair General Competition Requirements, General Livestock Competition Requirements, Junior Livestock Competition Requirements, Colorado State Fair Exhibitor Code of Conduct, Animal Welfare Policy, and Health Requirements.

B. All entrants must be bona fide 4-H members (being 8 years of age and not having reached their 19th birthday as of December 31, 2022) or in FFA and active in an approved Vocational Agriculture school program as of January 1, 2023 (not to have reached their 19th birthday as of December 31, 2022).

C. This competition is open only to those junior market exhibitors who successfully enter and compete at the 2023 Colorado State Fair. In addition, the exhibitor must qualify for the 2023 Colorado State Fair Junior Livestock Sale. Once the final sale determination has been made for a species, all qualifying exhibitors will automatically be enrolled in the Premier Exhibitor Competition.

D. In the event an exhibitor qualifies for the 2023 Colorado State Fair Junior Livestock Sale with multiple species, then that exhibitor will be eligible to compete in all Premier Exhibitor Competitions for each species in which the exhibitor qualified.

Note: Exhibitors may only sell one species in the Junior Market Livestock Sale, but can compete in all premier exhibitor competitions in species that they would have qualified for. (e.i. An exhibitor exhibits a 1st Place Lamb and a 1st Place Hog. The exhibitor will only get to sell one species, but compete in both species Premier Exhibitor Competitions.

E. The competition comprises four different event categories that earn the exhibitor points towards a final maximum score of 200 points. These categories include: Junior Market Class Placing (50 Points Maximum), Junior

Market Showmanship Placing (50 Points Maximum), Live Judging Classes (50 Points Maximum), and a Written Exam (50 Points Maximum).

F. To maintain eligibility within the competition, the exhibitor must actively participate in each of the four event categories.

G. Ties of the highest cumulative points will be decided based on scores in individual categories in the following order: first: highest "Junior Market Class Placing"; second: highest "Junior Market Showmanship Placing"; and third: highest combination of scores between the "Live Judging Classes" and the "Written Exam."

II. COMPETITION LOGISTICS:

A. JUNIOR MARKET CLASS PLACING

1. The "Junior Market Class Placing" will account for 25% of the overall score, earning points ranging from a minimum of 10 points, to a maximum of 50 points.

2. Only those entries that receive a 1st through 10th placing while also qualifying for the Junior Livestock Auction will be eligible to receive a score. Exhibitors will earn only one score per species, and it must be their highest placing animal within the respective species.
3. Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, Third Overall, Fourth Overall, Fifth Overall, Division Champions, and Reserve Division Champions will receive higher scores than the original market classes.

4. In order to receive the full culmination of points for a specific placing within a class, there must be at least ten entries within that same respective class. For every class that does not showcase ten entries, exhibitors will receive a 2-point discount in their score for each entry below the minimum threshold of ten entries.

    i. Example: There are eight animals in a class. An exhibitor placing 5th would normally receive 20 points had there been the minimum of ten entries within the class. Because there are only eight entries, a 2-point discount in score will be applied for every entry below the minimum threshold. In this case, a 4-point

discounted score would be applied, awarding the exhibitor 16 points.

5. See **Table 1.1** for the scoring breakdown of "Junior Market Class Placing".

TABLE 1.1 - (JUNIOR MARKET CLASS PLACING SCORING BREAKDOWN)

Placing	Points Awarded									
	Ten Entries	Nine Entries	Eight Entries	Seven Entries	Six Entries	Five Entries	Four Entries	Three Entries	Two Entries	One Entry
1st	30	28	26	24	22	20	18	16	14	12
2nd	26	24	22	20	18	16	14	12	10	0
3rd	24	22	20	18	16	14	12	10	0	0
4th	22	20	18	16	14	12	10	0	0	0
5th	20	18	16	14	12	10	0	0	0	0
6th	18	16	14	12	10	0	0	0	0	0
7th	16	14	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
8th	14	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9th	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10th	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Grand Champion Overall: 50 Points
Reserve Grand Champion Overall: 45 Points

Third Overall: 42 Points.
Fourth Overall: 40 Points
Fifth Overall: 38 Points

Division Champion: 34 Points
Reserve Division Champion: 32 Points

NOTE: Points do not stack. The Grand Champion entry receives 50 points only and does not receive additional points from the class placing.

B. JUNIOR MARKET SHOWMANSHIP PLACING

1. The "Junior Market Showmanship Placing" will account for 25% of the overall score, earning points ranging from a minimum of 20 points to a maximum of 50 points.

2. Only those exhibitors who received Grand Champion Overall Showman, Reserve Grand Champion Overall Showman, Division

Champion, Reserve Division Champion, and 3rd through 10th placing will earn points. In addition, the exhibitor must qualify for the Junior Market Livestock Auction to be eligible to earn points in the "Junior Market Showmanship" category.

3. In order to receive the full culmination of points for a specific placing within a showmanship division, there must be at least ten entries within that same respective showmanship division. For every division that does not showcase ten entrants, exhibitors will receive a 2-point discount in their score for each number of entrants below the minimum threshold of ten exhibitors.

    i. Example: There are eight showmen in a division. An exhibitor placing 5th would normally receive 30 points had there been the minimum of ten entries within the division. Because there are only eight entries, a 2-point discount in score will be applied for every entry below the minimum threshold. In this case, a 4-point discounted score would be applied, awarding the exhibitor 26 points.

4. Exhibitors will receive a score based on their placing

5. See **Table 1.2** for the scoring breakdown of "Junior Market Showmanship."

TABLE 1.2 - (JUNIOR MARKET SHOWMANSHIP SCORING BREAKDOWN)

Placing	Points Awarded									
	Ten Entries	Nine Entries	Eight Entries	Seven Entries	Six Entries	Five Entries	Four Entries	Three Entries	Two Entries	One Entry
1st	40	38	36	34	32	30	28	26	24	22
2nd	36	34	32	30	28	26	24	22	20	0
3rd	34	32	30	28	26	24	22	20	0	0
4th	32	30	28	26	24	22	20	0	0	0
5th	30	28	26	24	22	20	0	0	0	0
6th	28	26	24	22	20	0	0	0	0	0
7th	26	24	22	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
8th	24	22	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9th	22	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10th	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Grand Champion Overall: **50 Points**
Reserve Grand Champion Overall: **45 Points**

NOTE: Points do not stack. The Grand Champion entry receives 50 points only and does not receive additional points from the class placing.

C. LIVE JUDGING CLASSES

1. The "Live Judging Classes" will account for 25% of the overall score, earning points ranging from a minimum of 0 points to a maximum of 50 points.

2. The "Live Judging Classes" will be held following the Junior Market Show.

3. Exhibitors will participate in judging two live market animal classes, each with four animals per class, and each class being worth 25 total points. These classes will be in the species in which the exhibitors are competing for the Premier Exhibitor Award (i.e., If competing for the Premier Market Hog Exhibitor Award, the exhibitor will judge two market hog classes).

4. Judging classes will be put together by a committee composed of Colorado State Fair Staff and Superintendents and Collegiate Judging Teams. All livestock used in the judged classes will be entries that were showcased in the Colorado State Fair Junior Market Show.

5. All live judging and scoring will be based on and adhere to the Colorado State 4-H Livestock Judging Rules and Regulations.

6. The exhibitors will be allowed to judge 12 minutes per class before they are required to hand in their marked score card to a competition official.

7. Exhibitors will evaluate the livestock and rank them 1-4 on a standardized "Judging Card" based on the animal's overall confirmation and quality.

8. ** Each "Judging Card" will allow for a maximum score of 50 points. The score registered on the "Judging Card" will then be prorated to a maximum of 25 points.

i. Example: An exhibitor earns a score of 35 out of 50 on one "Judging Card." The prorated score would be 17.5 points out of the 25 maximum points possible.

9. There will be no oral reasons following the judging of the live market classes.

D. WRITTEN EXAM

1. The "Written Exam" will account for 25% of the overall score, earning points ranging from a minimum of 0 points to a maximum of 50 points.

2. The "Written Exam" will be held following the Junior Market Show.

3. All exams will be taken independently with no external guidance or aid. The Colorado State Fair will provide all material necessary to complete the exam.

4. The exam will include 25 multiple-choice, hog industry-related questions.

5. Exhibitors will have 30 minutes to take the exam.

6. Exhibitors will not receive any study guides or any sort of reference to the source material prior to the exam. The goal is to test the exhibitor's current and intuitive knowledge of the industry.

7. Exhibitors will not have access to the exams prior to or after the exam is completed.

III. AWARDS

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