



Special Rules and Guidelines in Response to COVID-19
Revised for the 2021 Show Season

Below are updates for the 2021 OHPIGS Circuit, please read all the details carefully. These guidelines were originally put into place for 2020 and will continue during the 2021 show season, until further notice.

Declaring weights

All pigs' weights will be declared with a 15-pound weigh back. The judge will be given this information prior to each show and will be asked to use their own discretion when sorting classes. Any pig in question can be asked to be weighed at any given time, if a declaration weight is in question.

- Crossbred breeding gilts – max weight 280 pounds (*April 17/18, April 24/25, -May 1/2*)
- max weight 325 pounds (*May 8/9 thru end of season*)
- Market barrows and gilts – max weight 280 pounds

Ages on pigs

Pigs farrowed on or after November 1, 2020 will be able to show and be able to accrue points for the entire circuit.

Pedigrees

All purebred hogs (breeding or market) must present a valid pedigree to show as that breed. This is for any participant that is attending the show whether an OHPIGS member or not.

Show Logistics

Holding pens: ONLY the exhibitors and pigs will be allowed in/at the holding pens.

Placing pens: Placing pens will not be used. Pigs will be released from the ring to work to a top 5 in each class. The top 5 will be placed and exit the ring immediately after receiving placing.

Showing off trailers and pen space in barns

We encourage families to show off their trailer, if possible, but understand that pens inside the barns will be needed by some families. There must be an empty pen between pigs of different families. Families must bring a divider as the expectation are that there will be 2 pigs per pen.

Showmanship

Showmanship will be offered on Saturday morning only. There will be one showmanship per weekend. This is to cut down on time and classes per weekend. Showmanship totals will be counted for the best 7 out of the 10 Saturday OHPIGS shows. Showmanship WILL NOT be worth double points each Saturday.

Class sizes

Class sizes do not have to change. Classes will be 10 or less per class. Exhibitors and judge do not have to wear masks while in the ring. Any volunteer that will be working in the ring is asked to wear a mask.

Liability waiver

Any person attending an OHPIGS sanctioned show, whether a member of the OHPIGS Circuit or any exhibitor coming to jackpot, MUST sign a liability waiver to participate in the show(s).

Out of state participants

While the mandatory Ohio orders previously placed have been rescinded, participants travelling to Ohio from out of state are encouraged to review Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance when considering travel.

Out of state participants will be able to attend jackpot shows on the 2021 OHPIGS Circuit. All out of state participants must have health papers or a CVI to show at all venues.

Out of state residents WILL need health papers stating the following information:

- Official ID (ear notch and metal 840 or RFD tag number)
- Raw garbage statement stating that you do not feed your herd garbage.
- Cannot be from a pseudorabies state.
- Any questions, contact the State Veterinarian's office at (614) 728-6220.

Safety Guidelines and Precautions

As stated in the order enacted by the Director of the Ohio Department of Health pertaining to fairs and animal exhibitions on March 11, 2021:

- Masks are required to be worn at all times, by all people on the fairgrounds, unless they are actively eating or drinking.
- All patrons, participants and judges should avoid physical contact with others and should refrain from shaking hands, "high 5's," etc.
- Organizers, managers, staff, volunteers, exhibitors, vendors, patrons, and participants must avoid always gathering in groups and attempt to maintain social distancing. Each individual should perform a daily health assessment and stay home if you have a fever, cough, or other signs of a possible coronavirus.
- Family members of the participants shall have priority in the viewing area.

The following guidelines enforced during the 2020 OH-PIGS show season remain in effect during the 2021 show season, until further notice:

- Kids will not have to wear masks while showing in the ring.
- We are asking that only immediate family attend shows.
- We are encouraging families to keep all show equipment inside of their trailer and do all preparation at their trailer, if possible. This would minimize gathering at show pens.
- We are encouraging families to show off of their trailers if at all possible. There will be limited pens available in barn.
- We are encouraging families to spend as much time outside of the barn as possible.
- We are asking that you keep 6 feet between you and other families at the show.
- No groups over 10 people should congregate within 6 feet of another group.
- We are requesting families to only be near the ring when their child is showing.
- We are asking anyone over 60, anyone with compromised immune systems, or anyone that is sick, or showing any symptoms, not to attend our shows.
- We will have hand sanitizer stations set up throughout the barns and near the show ring.