

2021 WSPA General Show Rules

1. All shows must have Gilt, Barrow, Showmanship and Skillathon Divisions.
2. All shows will have 2 options for weighing barrows and crossbred gilts.

Option 1: The show host will weigh pigs during the morning of the show. Hogs will not be allowed to weigh the night before. This does not require a weigh back of the top 2 placing pigs during exhibition.

Option 2: Exhibitors will declare the weight at which they would like to show their pig, and a mandatory weigh back of the first 2 placing pigs in class will be enforced. The weigh back will be 10 pounds at all May and June shows.

3. Please read each sanctioned show's rules carefully.
4. Entries for all shows will be made through the Showman.app. Once you enter the information on an exhibitor and/or a pig into the app, it will be retrievable for all future shows.
5. For showmanship, show hosts must record the Top 5 for each age division as well as the name of each participant as every participant in showmanship earns 5 points.
6. Only grand and reserve breed champions (gilts and barrows) can be considered for the selection of overall top 5 gilt and barrow honors.
7. **NEW:** Any state-fair aged youth that fulfills the requirement to exhibit in the Junior Swine Show at WI State Fair (WSF) is eligible to become a member of the WSPA. This is directed at exhibitors that live out-of-state but are members of WI 4-H or WI FFA and exhibit at WSF. As always, any WI native can become a member of the WSPA at any time.
8. All members must have a completed 2022 membership form, that includes the Code of Conduct, on file and be a paid member before points will accumulate.
9. Youth dues are \$25 per individual. Wisconsin and other eligible youth 21 years old and younger as of Jan. 1, 2022, are eligible to become WSPA youth members.
10. There is no minimum age limit to collect points but the member must be able to exhibit their pig on their own without assistance. Special arrangements can be made for exhibitors that need special consideration. Please reach out to show host prior to show.
11. Paid memberships prior to April 1st, includes member T-shirt.
12. Shows are open to any youth 21 years old and younger as of Jan. 1, 2022. Out of state youth are welcome to show, however, only youth members of the WSPA will be eligible to collect points.
13. Each exhibitor must present Certificate of Veterinary Inspection at each show.

14. Ear notches will be used for hog identification at each of the shows.
15. **NEW:** Each breed will have their own class regardless of entry numbers, however, points will be pro-rated if there are three (3) or less pigs in a breed division at a particular show. See Point Accumulation Section on website.
16. **NEW:** The crossbred division will be divided into Light and Dark cross divisions. The Champion Light and Champion Dark will compete for the Champion Crossbred. Same for the Reserves. Only the Champion/Res Crossbred will go on to compete for the Top 5 Overall. If you question if your pig qualifies as a light cross, ask a WSPA Board Member.

DARK CROSS – To classify as a dark cross, the animal must have black pigment & hair in the same location. Examples: Black belted, White hog with black spots, Calico with black spots, White hog with a black head.

LIGHT CROSS - To classify as a light cross, the animal must have white and non-black pigment. Examples: Red Belts, Red Roans, Blues & Blue Butts (including blues with black pigment on snout and toes)

17. Barrows will be shown by breed and weight but must be born after Nov. 1, 2021.
18. Gilts will be judged as breeding gilts. Purebred gilts will show by age. Crossbred gilts will show by weight. All gilts must be born after Nov. 1, 2021.
19. Barrows and crossbred gilts may be shown at any weight.
20. All purebreds must meet respective breed characteristics.
21. Registration papers must be submitted before the final show. Failure to submit registration papers nullifies points and next pig moves up. Birthdate of gilts on registration papers submitted late season, must be close to the date gilt was show as to keep points.
22. Exhibitor must be present to exhibit their own animal to earn points. The only exception is if exhibitor has two pigs in the same class.
23. Once a pig is exhibited by a WSPA member and points are collected on that pig, no other WSPA member may collect points on that pig the rest of the show circuit including family members.
24. Tiebreakers will be broken by the person with the most wins.
25. A hog must obtain points at a minimum of two shows to qualify for an end of season award.

26. Showmanship classes will be split into the following age divisions: Little Whips (4 and under); Novice (5-8); Junior (9-12); Intermediate (13-16); and Senior (17-21). Ages are as of Jan. 1, 2022. Little Whips showmanship will be for experience only. No placings will be given. Points will be awarded for participation.
27. Skillathon Divisions will follow the are as follows: Junior (8-12) Intermediate (13-17) Senior (18-21)
28. For the 2022 season, each exhibitor's Top 7 shows will count for award points.
29. The Individual Divisions for 2022 are Gilts, Barrows, Showmanship and Skillathon
30. **NEW:** TThe Overall Division will combine exhibitors points on their Top 3 pigs from their Best 7 shows plus their Showmanship Points from their best 7 finishes.
31. Any grievances must be presented in writing to a WSPA representative within 24 hours of the incident and accompanied by a \$100 fee. Fee will be refunded if grievance upheld.
32. A WSPA representative will be present at each show
33. **NEW:** Show Hosts are required to review and enforce the DATCP Quarantine report that is published every Friday during show season. If your family is listed on the quarantine list, be responsible and do not travel to the show as you will be turned away. Respect your show host and the WSPA board, as there is nothing we can do if you are on the list.