

2026 WSPA General Show Rules

1. All shows must have Gilt, Barrow, Showmanship and Skillathon Divisions.
2. The show host will weigh pigs during the morning of the show. Hogs will not be allowed to weigh the night before with the exception of doubleheaders hosted at the same location.
3. 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.
4. Failure to register with the correct Showman-app account could result in loss of points for that show.
5. For showmanship, show hosts must record the Top 10 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. Shows are open to any youth 21 years old and younger as of Jan. 1, 2026. Out of state youth are welcome to show, however, only youth members of the WSPA will be eligible to collect points. 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.
8. All members must have a completed 2026 membership form, that includes the Code of Conduct, on file and be a paid member before points will accumulate.
9. Youth dues are \$30 per individual. Wisconsin and other eligible youth 21 years old and younger as of Jan. 1, 2026, are eligible to become WSPA youth members. Paid memberships prior to April 1st, includes member T-shirt.
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 accommodation. Please reach out to WSPA B.O.D for outside requests.
11. Each premise I.D. must present a copy of Certificate of Veterinary Inspection at each show.
12. Ear notches will be used for hog identification at each of the shows.
13. 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. Once a pig is exhibited in a division they must compete in that division for the remainder of the season. Changing of division will result in forfeiture of points. If you question if your pig qualifies as a light cross, ask a WSPA Board Member.
 - a. **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.
 - b. **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)
14. Barrows will be shown by breed and weight but must be born after Nov. 1, 2025.
15. 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, 2025.
16. Barrows and crossbred gilts may be shown at any weight.
17. All purebreds must meet respective breed characteristics and carry a valid registration paper to be eligible for year end awards.
18. Registration papers must be submitted before June 1st, 2026. 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 shown as to keep points.
19. Exhibitor must be present to exhibit their own animal to earn points. The only exception is if an exhibitor has two pigs in the same class or multiple pigs in a division or drive.

20. A pig can only collect points under one child, should the exhibitor change throughout the season, the family will need to identify which child is collecting points, the other child will forfeit points. Children must be within the same immediate family.
21. End of season award tiebreakers will be broken by the person with the most wins.
22. A hog must obtain points at a minimum of two shows to qualify for an end of season award.
23. 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, 2026.
24. Skillathon Divisions will follow the are as follows: Novice (8 and under); Junior (9-12); Intermediate (13-16); Senior (17-21). Skillathon will be offered on 5 weekends and the top 4 scores will count.
25. For the 2026 season, each exhibitor's Top 8 shows will count for award points.
 - a. *subject to change based on total show numbers. Will be finalized by March 30th 2026
26. The Overall Division will combine exhibitors points on their Top 3 pigs from their Best _ shows plus their Showmanship Points from their best _ finishes.
27. 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.
28. A WSPA representative will be present at each show.