

MI Pigs – Sanctioned Show Guidelines: 2024

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We welcome the opportunity to include your swine jackpot show in the MI Pigs program. Shows that would like to be included and are scheduled between March 15 and September 15, 2024, should plan to follow all MI Pigs youth program rules and regulations. Be sure to provide all details on the sanction form and forward your registration information to the Program Director at your earliest convenience. Shows should complete the sanction process by February 1, to be included for the 2024 season.

New in 2024, all MI Pigs sanctioned events will be asked to use the Showman.app online entry software. This software will be calculating points automatically for the MI Pigs 2024 program year. Because of the expense for shows to use Showman, MI Pigs will not be charging sanction fees in 2024. The software accommodates online registration (payment online or onsite) as well as show management (check-in, weight recording, class breaks). Showman is very robust and show managers find it very useful.

Sanctioned shows must include the following details in their show rules:

- Shows are open Michigan residents who are 3 years old by January 1, 2024, but not older than 21 as of January 1, 2024 are eligible to participate in the program. MI PIGS sanctioned shows must follow the age guidelines that will allow youngest (3 yrs. as of 1/1/24) or oldest (21 yrs. as of 1/1/24) MI PIGS youth to participate. (MLE age requirements are an exception). Shows should also welcome youth with a chronological age greater than 21 years of age who participate in 4-H or school activities with their developmental aged peers. (As recommended by the American with Disabilities Act).
- Showmanship will be offered at every MI PIGS sanctioned show. Exhibitors must show their own animal in showmanship to receive points. Showmanship divisions: Beginner 3-7 years; Novice 8-11 years; Junior 12 – 14 years; Intermediate 15-17 years; and Senior 18-21 years. It is critical to record every youth that participates in showmanship, regardless of placing. Also please record youth that make a “call back” in their age division, as well as final placings.
- Please include the MI Pigs logo and/or MI Pigs Sanctioned Show on your registration/rules information.
- Consideration of the MI Pigs Code of Conduct should be considered during MI Pigs sanctioned shows.

Shows are welcome to offer market and gilt classes and show by breed (at your discretion). Placings in each class, all pigs that participate in class, division champion placings as well as top 5 placings must be accurately recorded using the Showman online software. Prizes for classes, divisions as well as top 5 are also completely at your discretion.

Sign up available at the link below. Please completed by February 1, 2024.

<https://form.jotform.com/233444499922163>

Please take a minute to review the information on the Showman page. DO NOT start setting up a show until after you receive confirmation from MI Pigs. The MI Pigs director will work with Showman staff and will provide you with a direct link for setting up your sanctioned show that meet the MI Pigs Sanction requirements. Questions or concerns, please contact Carla at mipigsinfo@gmail.com or 517-242-2395.