



Dear Southwest Regional Participants:

We are thrilled you are going to be part of the NJSA Southwest Regional at the Oklahoma State Fairgrounds in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma on September 10th- September 14th! To make this event run smoothly, please read a few reminders listed below.

General Reminders

1. All Southwest Regional entries **must** have been owned by the exhibitor on or before August 27, 2025.
2. **The size of one pen is 5' x 10' and there will be TWO pigs per pen.** Please bring your own dividers they will NOT be provided for you.
3. We will **NOT** be providing shavings. Exhibitors will be responsible for their own. Shavings will be available for purchase at the fairgrounds.
4. NJSA age divisions are: Novice (8 & under); Junior (9-12); Intermediate (13-16); and Senior (17-21).
All ages are as of Jan. 1, 2025
5. Please visit the NSR website for health rules and regulations that **MUST** be followed for your pig to be exhibited.
6. EYO will be handling all penning assignments and will pen by state, because of this we are unable to accept any pen requests.

Arrival and Check-In Information

1. Entries may begin arriving at the fairgrounds at 5-8pm Wednesday, September 10th, and must be in place by 10:00 a.m. on Friday September 12th. Make sure all health papers are checked for all animals on your trailer by the veterinarians before you unload any hogs from your trailer.
2. Show check-in will take place from 4 – 6 p.m. on Thursday, September 11th; as well as Friday September 12th 8 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
3. At check-in, each exhibitor should have the original pedigree and one photocopy of the pedigree for each hog, the original health paper and one photocopy of their PQA Plus or YQCA certificate or card.
4. **PLEASE DO NOT MAKE COPIES OF YOUR HEALTH PAPERS AHEAD OF TIME AS WE WILL REQUIRE THE VET TO SIGN YOUR ORIGINAL COPY UPON YOUR ARRIVAL. The copy that you turn in during registration MUST be signed by the vet.**
5. **All exhibitors ages 8 through 21 MUST be YQCA or PQA Plus certified.**
6. **Parents of youth ages 7 years and under must be certified in Adult PQA Plus training.**
7. Any youth that are not PQA Plus or YQCA certified prior to the Southwest Regional **will not be allowed to exhibit their hogs.**
8. **Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training is available to be completed online at: [YQCA \(yqcaprogram.org\)](http://YQCA(yqcaprogram.org))**

Show Requirements

1. Barrows must weigh 290 pounds or less with a 15 lb. weigh-back. Crossbred gilts must weigh 375 pounds or less with a 15 lb. weigh-back.

2. This is not a terminal show; exhibitors will be responsible for their barrows at the completion of the show.
3. Scales will be available throughout event. At registration exhibitors will receive weigh cards with a QR code to scan to submit the weights of their barrows and crossbred gilts. Exhibitors must submit the declared weight of ALL purebred barrows, crossbred barrows and crossbred gilts those submission deadlines are as follows: Friday September 12th 12:00 PM Crossbred gilts, Saturday September 13th 8:00 AM all barrow weights.
4. The top three barrows and crossbred gilts in each class will be reweighed. Barrows and crossbred gilts must weigh back within 15 pounds of their declared weight. Any barrows or crossbred gilts weighing more or less than 15 pounds of the declared weight will be disqualified.
5. Showmanship will begin at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, September 12th, beginning with seniors, then intermediates, juniors, and novices.
6. NJSA Bred and Owned Gilt Show will begin at the conclusion of showmanship including the Grand and Reserve Bred and Owned Gilt overall.
7. The gilt show will begin at 12 p.m. Saturday, September 13th, starting with the Berkshires, followed by Chester Whites, Durocs, Hampshire, Hereford, Landrace, Poland China, Spotted, Tamworth, Yorkshire, and Crossbred gilt. With the gilt grand drive to follow starting with Grand Team Purebred Gilt and following with the NJSA Grand gilt drive.
8. The barrow show will begin at 8 a.m. Sunday, September 14th, starting with the Berkshires, followed by Chester Whites, Durocs, Hampshire, Hereford, Landrace, Poland China, Spotted, Tamworth, Yorkshire, and Crossbred barrow. With the barrow grand drive to follow starting with Grand Team Purebred barrow and following with the NJSA Grand barrow drive.
9. The National Swine Registry Executive Committee has voted to implement the weighing of ALL junior purebred gilts. All exhibitors will be required to go to one of the designated scales in the barn for breed eligibility checks and be weighed by NSR staff members during the designated time as posted on the schedule. Weight cards will be obtained at check-in and turned in once the gilt is weighed at the scale.
10. Junior purebred gilt classes will be broken first by month of birth, then by weight within month of birth. All purebred gilts will be weighed on Friday, October 11th from 10am- noon.

Skillathon Information

1. Skillathon will begin at 8 a.m. on Saturday September 13th and will conclude at 11 am. All exhibitors must be checked into skillathon by 10:30 a.m.
2. The skillathon review will be from 11 a.m to 11:50 a.m. on Saturday, September 13th.

Sweepstakes

1. Sweepstakes contest points will be awarded in the purebred gilt/barrow shows, showmanship contest and skillathon contest. Youth must compete in showmanship, skillathon, and either the gilt show or barrow show to qualify for the sweepstakes contest. The exhibitor's highest placing purebred barrow OR purebred gilt will count toward the sweepstakes contest, NOT both. All participants in the sweepstakes contest MUST complete the entire skillathon contest.
2. The sweepstakes award ceremony will take place at the conclusion of the barrow show on Sunday.

Additional Information

1. All animals are released once they are done showing.

If you have any questions, please call (765) 463-3594 or e-mail NSR Youth Activities and Programs Manager, Carin Vickrey, at carinv@nationalswine.com. Safe Travels!

Sincerely,

Carin Vickrey

2025 NJSA Southwest Regional Schedule

Oklahoma State Fairgrounds – Oklahoma City, O.K. September 10-14, 2025

Wednesday September 10th

5 – 8:00 p.m. Arrival of Livestock Begins

Thursday September 11th

7:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Livestock arrival

4 p.m. – 6 p.m. NJSA Check-in

Friday September 12th

8 a.m. – 10 a.m. NJSA Check-in

10 a.m. All NJSA hogs in place

10 a.m. – Noon Purebred gilt weighing, breed eligibility check, Crossbred Classification

11-11:30 AM Mentor Program

12:00 pm- Crossbred gilt weights due

3 p.m. NJSA Showmanship – Senior, Intermediate, Junior, Novice

Conclusion of Showmanship: Bred and Owned Gilt Show and Grand and Reserve Bred and Owned Gilt Overall Drive (NSR Breeds starting with Berkshire)

Saturday September 13th

8:00 AM: All Barrow weights due

8 a.m. – 11 a.m. NJSA Skillathon

11:30 a.m. NJSA Skillathon Review

Noon Purebred Gilt show (Berkshire, Chester, Duroc, Hampshire, Hereford, Landrace, Poland, Spot, Tamworth Yorkshire, & Crossbred)

****Conclusion of Gilt show: Grand gilt drive Team Purebred followed by NJSA****

Sunday September 14th

8 a.m. Purebred Barrow Show (Berkshire, Chester, Duroc, Hampshire, Hereford, Landrace, Poland, Spot, Tamworth Yorkshire, & Crossbred)

****Conclusion of barrow show: Grand barrow drive Team Purebred followed by NJSA***

****1 hour after the conclusion of the Grand Champion Purebred Barrow selection – Sweepstakes awards announced.****

ALL ANIMALS ARE RELEASED ONCE THEY ARE DONE SHOWING. ALL PUREBRED CHAMPION AND RESERVE BREED CHAMPION ANIMALS MUST BE PRESENT FOR THE GRAND DRIVE OR EXHIBITOR FORFEITS ALL PREMIUM CHECKS.

****SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANY TIME.**