



State Fair 4-H Swine Show ID/Tagging

- All State Fair swine must be identified in 4hOnline by May 15th
- **ALL** State Fair swine must have a DNA punch tag in by May 15th
- **ALL** State Fair swine must have ear notches recorded in 4hOnline by May 15th
- Below are two options for State Fair swine to get identified for State Fair eligibility.

****Remember: Identifying swine in 4hOnline for State Fair by the May 15 ID deadline only nominates the animal for entry. Actual State Fair entry must also be made by July 1 through the FairEntry program starting June 1.*

Option #1 – County Staff – Tags and Inputs State Fair Swine Data into 4hOnline using **Swine (Weigh-in)** animal type

- County orders sufficient tags, taggers and DNA envelopes from State 4-H Office by January 1
- County either has pigs come to a county ID day (perhaps if the county already has a county weigh-in)
- Or, county staff may travel out to DNA tag State Fair pigs
- Information for each pig (tag #, sex, breed, ear notch (optional), etc.) gets written down on 106 ID form
- Staff collects DNA tag fees from 4-H'er; 4-H'er makes check payable to county office to reimburse for tag fees
- **By May 15th** - Staff enters EVERY pig's data for that 4-H'er into 4hOnline under the Swine (weigh-in) animal type (see image above) and mails all DNA envelopes with samples inside and signatures on the envelopes to State 4-H Office
- **By May 15th** – 4-H'er logs into 4hOnline to verify the information on each pig is complete and correct; if the 4-H'er does NOT verify, the information will stand as-is
- **4-H'er then must make actual State Fair entry by July 1. The DNA tagging process only nominates the pigs for State Fair eligibility. The 4-H member must still make state fair entry by July 1 if they wish to show at the fair.**

The image shows a screenshot of the 'Swine (Weigh-in)' form in 4hOnline. The form is titled 'Swine (Weigh-in)' and contains the following fields:

- Breed: *Crossbred (dropdown menu)
- Sex: Male (dropdown menu)
- Beginning Weight: (text input field)
- Beginning Weight Date: (calendar icon)
- Earnotch: i.e. 23-4; (Enter N/A only if ear tag has official US Shield symbol): (text input field)
- Tag: (County and/or State Fair DNA) i.e. 1321; DNA 5432: (text input field)
- Ear tagged: Left (dropdown menu)
- Birthdate: (Breeding Gilts): (calendar icon)
- Pig Color/Description: (text input field)
- Addl. Information: (text input field)

Option #2 – 4-H Families – Tag and Input State Fair Swine Data into 4hOnline Swine (not weighed-in) animal type

- County orders sufficient tags, taggers and DNA envelopes from State 4-H Office by Jan. 1
- 4-H family goes to county office before May 15th
 - Requests the # of DNA tags they need (one for each pig), # of taggers, and # of DNA envelopes (1 envelope per 4-H'er up to 25 pigs per envelope)
 - **Both** market and breeding swine need to have DNA tags for State Fair (same as past years)
 - Pays county office for tags (checks payable to county office)
 - 4-H'er returns home
 - Tags each pig
 - Puts DNA sample tag into large envelope for all pigs (One envelope per 4-H'er)
 - Writes down tag numbers on back of DNA envelope
 - 4-H'er and parent/guardian signs and seals the DNA envelope and returns taggers and DNA envelopes to county office **by May 15th**
 - **By May 15th** - 4-H'er then inputs all data for each pig into 4hOnline under Swine (not weighed in) animal type (tag #, sex, breed, ear notch, etc.) (see example image above)
 - 4-H'er must return taggers to county office as soon as finished tagging
 - County Office signs back of DNA envelope indicating they received it sealed (if not sealed, signs IN FRONT OF family member after sealing)
 - County Office mails all large DNA envelopes (signed and with tag samples) for all 4-H'ers in their county to State 4-H Office (postmarked **by May 15th**)
 - **4-H'er then makes actual State Fair entry by July 1st.**
 - **ONLY pigs that have DNA tags AND are in 4hOnline by May 15th are eligible for State Fair entry and exhibition**

The image shows a screenshot of a web form titled "Swine (NOT weighed in)". The form contains several fields for data entry:

- Breed:** A dropdown menu with "*Crossbred" selected.
- Sex:** A dropdown menu with "Male" selected.
- Earnotch:** A text input field with the instruction "i.e. 23-4; (Enter N/A only if ear tag has official US Shield symbol):".
- Tag:** A text input field with the instruction "(County and/or State Fair DNA).i.e. 1321; DNA 5432:".
- Tag Color:** A dropdown menu with "Green" selected.
- Ear Tagged:** A dropdown menu with "Left" selected.
- Birthdate:** A text input field with the instruction "(Breeding Gilts):" and a calendar icon.
- Pig Color/Description:** A text input field.
- Addl. Information:** A text input field.

***Check with your county extension office
on which option above will be used
for State Fair swine!***

➤ ***May 15th – 4hOnline ID Deadline***

➤ ***July 1st – State Fair Entry Deadline (4hOnline)***