Polk County Youth Fair, Inc.

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HOW TO PURCHASE A MARKET HOG

The Polk County Youth Fair is hosting our 80th annual youth fair during January 22 – January 30, 2027. The Market Hog auction will be held on MONDAY, January 25, 2027 beginning at 8:00 am.

PCYF is delighted to host a Hybrid Sale, where you or your company have the option to participate on-line or in person. The sale will be posted on LiveAuctions.tv. The live sale will be held on MONDAY, January 25 starting at 8:00 am. If you are unable to attend to the sale in person, you can register and participate in the online sale from LiveAuctions.tv, which will be available starting January 11, 2027 for registration. (**please see page 3 for creating an account on LiveAuctions.tv**)

- **What happens before the Sale?** Market hogs are weighed in on Friday, January 22, 2027 at 8:00a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Market hogs must weigh in at 240 pounds, with a maximum weight of 300 pounds. The average hog will weigh about 240 pounds. Hogs will be sold at actual weight. Hogs are judged Sunday, January 24, 2027 and the sale order is established from the show results with the Grand and Reserve Champions, 3,4,5, Junior Showmanship Champion, Intermediate Showmanship Championship, Senior Showmanship Champion, Eagle Award Winner, Herdsman Award Winner, Division Grand Champion, Division Reserve Champion, Class Winners and all other hogs will be sold at random as penned in the barn.

- **All Market Hogs must sell at auction** to the highest bidder on MONDAY morning, January 25, 2027 beginning at 8:00 am.

- **ALL MARKET HOGS MUST GO TO SLAUGHTER.** You will have the opportunity to select the slaughter house you would like to use.

- **Before the sale** Begins a RESALE PRICE (MARKET PRICE) is established by commercial packer-buyers for the benefit of those who do not want the hog for their own use.

- **When you buy a hog** You do not have to handle that hog. The Youth Fair will do this for you, depending on what you want done with the animal. This is explained in detail below.

- **How much will it cost**? That, of course, depends on how much you wish to bid. The Youth Fair's philosophy is that we feel these young people should be rewarded for their hard work at a level that would return their cost plus a fair return for their investment and labor.

- **How do I go about bidding?** It is very easy - our auctioneers are aware that many of you have never participated in a sale before and therefore the tempo and style of the sale is geared to those with little or no experience at auctions.

- **I'd like to buy a hog but I can't make it to the sale** – This year our livestock sale will by hybrid, you or your company have the option to bid online or in person (refer to page 3). If you are still in need of someone else to bid on an animal or project, please contact the fair office (863) 519-1046.

- **Now that I've bought a hog, what do I do with him?** At this point, you have two choices:

A. You may bid and resale: in this case you pay the difference between your bid and the market price bid by the packer-buyer. Example: You bid $1.00 per pound on a 240 lb. hog and the packer's bid is $.45. You would pay the difference of $132.00 (240 x .45) and the packer pays $108.00 and gets the hog.
B. You may bid and keep the hog for your own use: In this case using the prices and example above, you would pay the entire bid price of $240.00. At the sale we will ask you to designate the processing (cut & wrap) firm you would like to cut your meat for your freezer at your expense. Your hog is transported to a slaughterhouse, which you designate, for slaughter, cut & wrap. *If you select this option, you will need to contact the processor of your choice ahead of time*

- **How do I pay for my hog? The buyer pays the Youth Fair and in turn the Youth Fair pays the exhibitor. Many of the exhibitors have borrowed money to raise the hog and the longer you wait to pay, the more interest the exhibitor must pay. We request that all animals be paid for by the end of the sale on Monday night. *New Buyers*: First-Time buyers, or those who have not purchased recently, must pay on the night of the sale. First-time buyers who wish to be pre-approved for invoicing must contact the Youth Fair office by Monday, January 18th at pcyf@ifas.ufl.edu. *Pre-approved/established buyers*: You may choose to be invoiced; however, payment must be received within 30 days of the sale.**

- **What benefits do I receive?** Several - you will receive publicity that you participated but more importantly, you will receive satisfaction that you have helped a youngster. Remember, these youngsters will be tomorrow's leaders! IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL THE YOUTH FAIR OFFICE AT (863) 519-1046.

NOTE: The difference between the resale price (market price) and your bid can be considered a donation and depending on your individual situation, could qualify for a tax deduction. However, we urge you to check with your tax accountant before making this claim on your tax return. Also for your information, the Polk County Youth Fair, Inc. has received an IRS charitable organization status under Section 501 (c) (3) of the IRS code.

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STEPS TO REGISTER FOR ONLINE SALE:

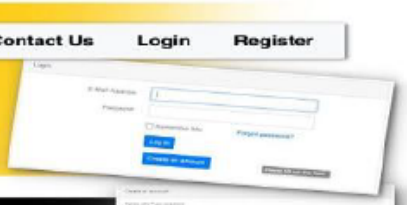
LiveAuctions.TV 2.0

Please create a NEW account to use this version

Follow these steps

To Login

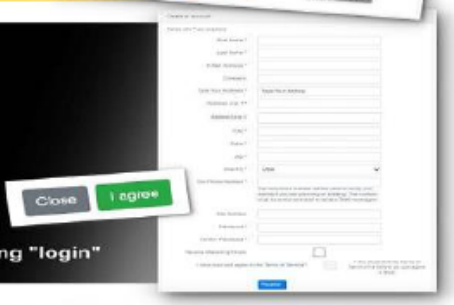
Click "Login" located in the top right
Or select the sale you are interested in
You will now see a login screen with Email Address and Password fields
Click "Create an Account" below the blue login button



Creating an Account

Enter your accurate information into all fields
Click "Terms of Service" highlighted in blue
Read the terms and click "I Agree" in green at the bottom.
Then check the box that says you read and agree to the terms.
Now, click "Register"

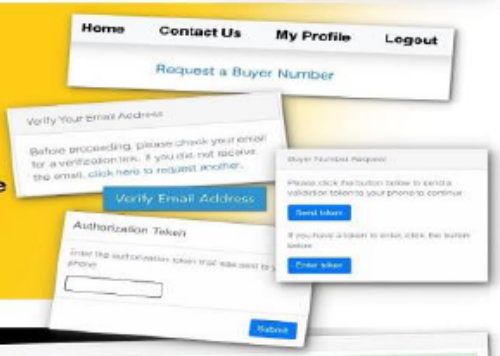
*Be sure to check "Remember Me" if it is your personal computer or phone before clicking "login"



Registering for a Buyer Number

From the homepage, choose the sale you're interested in
Once selected, click "Request a Buyer Number"
Verify your Email Address with the email verification link
Next, to verify your mobile number, click "Send Token"
Authorize token by using the verification code sent to your mobile device and "Submit"
Click "Continue"

*Special Instructions can include details for trucking, payment, registration



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For additional sale information (printable sale order, supplement sheet, etc.) click "Auction Details" in blue in the top left-hand corner of the page.

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