



2019 Pork Quality Award

Rules & Regulations

- All registration forms must be received by September 13, 2019
- Because hogs will be judged at Maple Leaf Lethbridge, **you must be a Maple Leaf supplier to enter the competition**
- **You will receive delivery instructions after your registration has been received**
- A maximum of 20 hogs will be accepted for this competition
- Maximum 1 hog per farm
- **Meat from all hogs will be donated to local food banks**
- **Top 3 carcasses will be auctioned off with proceeds going to Ronald McDonald House Charities Southern & Central Alberta**
- All hogs must be tattooed with the premise ID (5-digit herd mark) from the farm they came from
- Boars, ridgelings, and/or hogs failing a drug residue test will be automatically disqualified
- In the event of a tie, the highest index will determine the winner. If a tie still exists, then the highest marbling score will determine the winner.
- Prize winning loins and bellies will be displayed at the Alberta Livestock Expo
- **The top 3 carcasses will be awarded a trophy at the Alberta Livestock Expo starting at 3:00 PM on Thursday, October 10**
- Judging is independent and impartial – all decisions are final
- 2019 Alberta Livestock Expo Judge – Ralph Miller, Maple Leaf Pork

Scoring Criteria

Index	Using Maple Leaf Lethbridge Grid (Maximum 10 Points)
114	10 Points
112	8 Points
110	6 Points
108	4 Points
<108	0 Points
Hog Carcass Weight	Ideal weight is 97 kgs. (Maximum 10 Points)
< 90	0 Points
90 to 93	5 Points
94 to 100	10 Points
101 to 104	5 Points
> 104	0 Points



Back Fat	Ideal back fat is 18-22 mm. (Maximum 12 points)
< 14	0 Points
14 to 17	8 Points
18 to 22	12 Points
23 to 26	8 Points
> 26	0 Points
Loin Eye Size	Ideal score between 56 and 66 mm. (Maximum 10 Points)
< 40	0 Points
40 to 49	2 Points
50 to 55	4 Points
56 to 65	10 Points
66 to 70	4 Points
>70	2 Points
Loin Eye Colour	Loin muscle colour 1-6 Ideal score 3 to 4 (Maximum 6 Points)
0	0 Points
1	1 Points
2	2 Points
3	6 Points
4	6 Points
5	2 Points
6	0 Points
Belly	Shape and distribution of lean and fat. (Maximum 10 Points)
Poor	0 Points
Good	5 Points
Great	10 Points
Loin Marbling	Intramuscular fat (Maximum 12 Points)
Score 0	0 Points
Score 1	2 Points
Score 2	4 Points
Score 3	8 Points
Score 4 or higher	12 Points

Maximum Score: 70 Points