

Swine Skillathon

Sell or Hold

Practice Activity

Today is August 14, 2025

You are a pork producer and operate a 500 head swine feed lot. As a way to keep track of hogs that have been injured or treated you sort them into a hospital or “sick pen”. Several hogs in the pen appear to have reached their market ready weight and have recovered from their problems. You want to send as many hogs as possible to market in the morning at 10AM and need to make sure the withdrawal times are over. Using the information in this scenario and the information provided on the treatment record.

First fill in the “date and time withdrawal complete” on the treatment record chart for each of the four treated hogs listed.

Then, sort the 5 pigs in your “sick pen” into two groups:

- a. Those that can be sold tomorrow (SELL)
- b. Those that should be held to be sold at a later date. (HOLD)

NOTE: The sick pen is for pigs with any sort of problem requiring special attention. There may be pigs in this pen that have not received any medication.

Treatment Record

Treatment Date and Time	Animal ID, ID # and Description	Condition Being Treated	Treatment Given	Estimated Weight	Name of Person giving Treatment	Instructed milk/meat withdrawal time	Date and Time withdrawal Complete
August 2, 2025 – 10AM	6-9, York gilt	Lame left foot	Penicillin, 10ml, IM	200	Adam Smith	11 Days	
August 3, 2025 – 10AM	9-2, blue butt barrow	Pneumonia	LA 200, 9ml, IM	240	Adam Smith	28 Days	
August 6, 2025 – 11AM	3-15, blue butt gilt	Coughing & panting	Naxcel, 8ml, IM	230	Adam Smith	0 Days	
August 10, 2025 – 11AM	4-9, HampX barrow	Infected cut	Penicillin, 8 ml, IM	200	Adam Smith	10 Days	

Fill in the withdrawal time and date complete for each hog, listed on the treatment record above for each of the four hogs treated.

What day will hogs be going to market? _____

Sort hogs into their correct pens for SELL or HOLD for later date to leave for market.

Treatment Record ANSWER SHEET

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August 3, 2025 – 10AM	9-2, blue butt barrow	Pneumonia	LA 200, 9ml, IM	240	Adam Smith	28 Days	August 31, 2025, 10AM
August 6, 2025 – 11AM	3-15, blue butt gilt	Coughing & panting	Naxcel, 8ml, IM	230	Adam Smith	0 Days	August 6, 2025, NO Withdrawal time
August 10, 2025 – 11AM	4-9, HampX barrow	Infected cut	Penicillin, 8 ml, IM	200	Adam Smith	10 Days	August 20, 2025, 11AM

Only four hogs were treated, but you have 5 hogs to go to market. The fifth hog was just placed in the sick pen for observation and recovered and did not receive any treatments.

Correct Responses below:

HOLD

9-2, Blue Butt barrow – withdrawal is not complete until August 31, 2025 at 10AM

4-9, HampX barrow – withdrawal is not complete until August 20, 2025 at 11AM

SELL

6-9, York Gilt – withdrawal was completed Augst 13, 2025 at 10AM

3-15, Blue Butt gilt, - animal was treated but had no withdrawal on their medications

1-3, Black barrow – received no treatment – was just in the sick pen for observation.