

## Rules and Regulations

1. All entrants must provide their own supplies, cooking source, canopy tent and weights, ingredients and cooking equipment including food thermometer, hand and ware washing and fire extinguisher. Each team will be provided with a set of starting ingredients, one 8' table, two chairs and tasting cups & spoons.
2. Each entry can have a maximum of four people on their team. Each team needs to have a team captain, and up to three assistants.
3. Load in is between 6-8 am.
4. Cooking must not begin before 6:30 am.
5. Aside from preparing spice mixes and or roasting of peppers, no off-site prep is allowed.
6. Chili must be cooked on site the day of the cook-off, from scratch. Cooking will take place in the open, no cooking in motor homes or in enclosed tents.
7. Cooks are to prepare and cook chili in as sanitary a manner as possible. Cooking conditions are subject to inspection by the judging committee. Failure to comply is subject to disqualification. **Cooks must bring chili to 165° before serving and maintain a safe serving temperature of 140° or above.**
8. If you decide not to decorate your booth, you will need to have at least a poster with the name of your group or organization and the type of chili you are serving. Please list known high allergen ingredients. No alcohol is permitted on site. *\*Please label your chili as either HOT, REGULAR, or MILD \*This is for the publics' information. Regardless of heat level, all chili will compete for the People's Choice.*
9. Entrants must prepare a minimum of 5 gallons of chili for each variety they are entering into the contest. Public sampling begins at 12 noon.
10. Teams must not tear down their tent until the conclusion of awards at 2 pm.
11. Awards will be given for the team receiving the most votes from the public

**People's Choice** – The winner will be selected by the public. There will be a people's choice ballot box for people to score the chili. Votes will be tallied at 1:30 and winner announced at 2 pm. Winner receives a combination of cash and prizes valued at \$150.

**Best Decorated Booth** – The theme is up to you, so get creative and find a way to draw a crowd to your tent. Winner receives a combination of cash and prizes valued at \$150.

Remember, this is a fun competition that gives back to the community by offering a cherished event that has been a long time favorite of the public. The Smoky Hill Museum provides year around events, exhibits and presentations completely free. Your involvement in the Boiling Pot Chili Cook-off adds to the flavor and variety of what we have to offer. The Museum greatly appreciates your cooperation in making this a great day.

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