

Indian Summer Rendezvous Beef Chili Cook-off

Official Rules

1. True chili is defined as any kind of meat, cooked with chili peppers and various other spices. Other ingredients such as beans may be used at the discretion of the cook.
2. **Each recipe must use BEEF as its only meat source.**
3. Ingredients may be pre-cooked or treated prior to the preparation period which will begin approximately 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the official cook-off.
4. The cooking period will be two (2) hours. Chili should be ready for the judging at 10:45 am, and ready to serve to the public by 11:00. Chili will be sold until 1:00 pm, or at which time all booths have depleted their supply of chili.
5. Each team can have two cooks and one assistant. If anyone other than the assistant, who has been identified to the cook-off chairman prior to the cook-off assists the team, in any manner whatsoever, during the period of time after the commencement of the cooking period, the team shall be subject to disqualification.
6. Contestants are responsible for supplying all of their own cooking utensils. One electrical outlet will be available per team. **Bring your own extension cord.**
7. Teams are permitted to set up their equipment and decorations starting at 8 am, on the day of the cook-off. Cooking to begin no sooner than 8:30 am.
8. Each team must cook a minimum of one electric roaster of chili. Two roasters are highly recommended and encouraged but not required. The second roaster of chili may be prepared ahead of the cook-off using the same recipe, and kept warm in another roaster at a different location. Because of electrical restrictions on site, only one roaster per team may be plugged in at any one time. Your assistant may leave the cook-off site when the first roaster is running low to retrieve the extra chili.
9. A list of ingredients should be available at each booth, so consumers can check for allergic reactions prior to sampling. Recipes are not required.
10. All judging will be done from the original roaster of chili cooked on site. There will be four places paid to the top teams. An added prize will go to the **hottest edible chili. The decision of the Judges shall be final.**

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Thursday September 17, 2009
Entry Form

Teams will consist of no more than 2 cooks and 1 assistant.

An entry fee of \$25.00 made payable to Nebraska Cattle Women must accompany your application.

Entries are limited to the first 14 teams that submit a completed application.

A panel of three celebrity judges will decide the 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th place winners. An additional award will be given to the Hottest Edible Chili.

What to bring:

Extension cord
All utensils needed for preparation
Ladle to serve with
Something to serve sample cups on

What is provided:

Tasting (sample) cups
Spoons & Bowls
Crackers & Napkins
1 Electrical outlet per team

Detach below:

Attach your check (payable to NCW) to this information and leave at the chamber office.

Team name: _____

Representing what business: _____

Business Address: _____

Names of team members: _____, _____
_____, **assistant** _____.

Name of Contact for Team _____

Work Phone _____ **Home Phone** _____

I have read the attached rules and if my application is accepted, I hereby agree to abide by such rules and regulations.

Name-Team Captain

Date