

CHILI COOK-OFF RULES FOR 2010

1. True chili is defined as any kind of meat or combination of meats, cooked with chili peppers, various other spices/herbs, and other ingredients. Beans will be allowed.
2. No ingredients may be precooked or treated in any way prior to the preparation period. The only exceptions are canned or bottled tomatoes, tomato sauce, peppers, pepper sauce, beverages, broth, grinding or mixing spices/herbs.
3. The cooking period will be a minimum of 3 hours and a maximum of 4½ hours. Contestants do not have to cook for the entire period if they choose not to. Setup begins at 9 a.m. Preparation and cooking may begin at 11 a.m., judging at 3:30 p.m., and serving the public at 5 p.m.
4. A chairperson will conduct a contestant meeting 15 minutes prior to cooking time. One member of each team must be present. Final instructions will be given and any questions will be answered.
5. Contestants will be responsible for supplying all their cooking utensils, etc.
6. The sponsors of the Chili Cook-Off will provide an area for each team and a table. You **MUST** also bring a **CLEAN TARP** to place on the floor below your booth. **Do not put any duct tape on the floor.**
7. Contestants need to provide their own cooking stoves. (Camp Stoves: **WHITE GAS ONLY.**)
8. Contestants will be permitted to set up their equipment, decorations, and other facilities anytime after 9 a.m. on the day of the Chili Cook-Off.
9. Each team will consist of three members—one chief cook and two assistants.
10. Each team is required to prepare a minimum of two gallons of chili for judging. Contestants are required to have only one pot of competition chili but may have additional pot(s) for public tasting.
11. Not more than one quart of each contestant's chili will be collected at the end of the cooking period and taken to the judges for judging.
12. The decision of the judges will be **FINAL!!**

GOOD LUCK TO ALL!!!

*The community center is rented tomorrow so everything has to be cleaned up tonight. Please make sure that you have picked up your area! Please be discreet when drinking alcohol. This is a family event. State laws apply regarding alcohol. **NO MINORS.***