

Chili Cook-Off Requirements

Entry Forms due February 8th

Basic Information

- All chili will be served in 4 oz cups, which Special Olympics will provide.
- You will be provided one 6 foot table, 2 chairs.
- A 10'x10' tent is required to cook under. Contestants can either provide their own or rent one from Special Olympics.
- We ask that you stay respectful of the venue and the other chili teams.
- Chili Cooks may bring alcoholic beverages as long as they are in a cup at all times.
- Labeled alcohol containers must not be visible to the public.
- Merchandise and food will be sold at the event.
- The Check-in & Set up time will be from 7:30am to 9:00am. Cooks can start cooking at 9:00a.
- **People's Choice Chili should be ready to serve by 11:00am and Competition Chili by 11:30a.**



Competition Chili

- All competition chili must be cooked from scratch on-site on the day of the event.
- "Scratch" is defined as starting with raw meat. No marinating allowed. Commercial chili powder is permissible, but complete commercial chili mixes ("just add meat" mixes that contain pre measured spices) are NOT permitted.
- Fillers are permitted (beans, rice and other similar ingredients).
- Entry fees include one chili per cook. You may pay an extra \$20 to enter a second competition chili.
- You will be given a 16 oz cup that you will use to turn in your competition chili.
- Competition chili is blind-judged on the following five criteria: Aroma, Consistency, red color, taste and aftertaste.

People's Choice Competition

- A team can enter the People's Choice competition without entering the Competition Chili.
- People's Choice chili can be made in a crock pot prior to the event.
- You will need to bring at least 2 gallons to serve.
- People's Choice chili can be based on any meat and may contain fillers.
- You may not pass out bowls of chili to the public. We will be selling cups that spectators can purchase.

Showmanship

- Showmanship will be judged on: Theme, Costume, Booth Set-up, Action and Audience Appeal.