



11th Annual Silverado Chili Cook-Off Rules & Regulations

To insure quality and success of our event, we require that the following rules and regulations be strictly followed by all chili booth participants on Saturday, May 7th, 2016.

1. You must be at least 18 years of age to run a chili booth.
2. **NO CANNED CHILI MAY BE ENTERED IN THE CONTEST!**
3. **NO ALCOHOL MAY BE SOLD OR GIVEN AWAY FROM YOUR BOOTH!** Our event host, SMRPD, and non profit group CLCF, who will be donating proceeds to the Silverado Children's Center, retain all rights to alcohol as per ABC licensing.
4. Contestants may arrive no earlier than 8:00 am. Chili booths must be set-up and ready for cooking by 9:00 am. The cooking period for "Judges Chili" will be a minimum of two hours. Contestants who are late may be disqualified.
5. Contestants are responsible for supplying their own 10'X10' canopy, cooking equipment, utensils, camping stove, tables, chairs etc. Gas, Propane stoves or BBQs OK, but no electricity will be provided!
6. Each chili booth will be assigned a contestant's number by the "Chili Chief".
7. A representative of the booth shall be present at the contestant's meeting to be held at approximately 10:30 am. (*Chili Chief will announce the meeting or visit booths individually*)
8. Each contestant should also prepare a minimum of "Five Gallons" (onsite or already cooked) of their award winning chili to be judged by the "People's Choice" tasters. You DO NOT want to run out – it will affect your votes for the People Choices award!
9. If you choose to have your Chili judged by our "Official Chili Judges", a minimum of two gallons of your award winning chili must be cooked on premises the day of the event. The meat may be treated, pre-cut or ground but the meat for the two gallons of chili may not be pre-cooked! The only exceptions are canned tomatoes, tomato sauce, peppers, pepper sauce, beans, broth, and mixing of spices. Pre cut veges ok too.
10. The official start time of the People's Choice chili tasting will be 11am, ending at 4pm. Official judging will take place at 1 pm. We will supply eco spoons and cups for all taste testing. *You may supply any appropriate condiments; onions, cheese, chips, cornbread, crackers, etc. (No alcohol giveaways please!)*
11. **\$100 Cash award and trophy will be given for the "Judges Choice - Best Chili" and also "People's Choice - Best Chili". Trophy and prizes to "Best Decorated Booth" chili team! Costumes greatly encouraged! Good Luck to everyone!**

