

## Derrick Days Cookoff General Rules as of February 1, 2024

Overnight cooking sites for the Derrick Days Cookoff must be reserved online. A site fee has been imposed to assist with covering facility costs for the weekend. Campers may begin arriving at 8:00am on Friday to set up in their assigned sites and must be off the property by noon on Sunday. No refunds will be issued. A Day Cooker area is set up for those chili and/or bean cooks only there for the day of the event, no camping fee is charged. The event will be held regardless of the weather.

\* Vehicles must be unloaded as soon as they arrive on the cookoff site and moved from the site within 30 minutes after unloading is completed. The aisles need to be cleared for others to set-up on their sites and clearance for emergency vehicles. Unauthorized vehicles not abiding by the rules are subject to being towed at owners' expense if not moved within the stated time allowed.

\*Absolutely no unauthorized food or drink sales and/or no commercial giveaways permitted unless approved by chairman.

\*No glass bottles or containers.

\*Absolutely no unauthorized ATVs, golf carts, mules (including street legal) will be permitted on the grounds.

\*All entries must be prepared and cooked on site. Cooks must be at least 18 years of age.

\*All cooks are to prepare and cook their entries in a sanitary manner. Cooking conditions are subject to inspection by the event staff at any given time.

\*The site is private property so all teams must clean up their area before they leave and deposit trash in the dumpsters or other trash containers.

### Registration / Cup and Tray Distribution for ALL Cooks: Saturday 8am to 10:00am

\* Each Overnight Site must also have at least one cook pre-registered to enter the competition. Cooks who pre-register online for the competition should designate their team name and/or site number or note they are a Day Cooker. The cooking entry fees are discounted when pre-registered online.

\* Each Registered cook is responsible for picking up their cups and/or trays by **10:00am** on Saturday. A team may have multiple cooks, but each must register separately for the category they are entering.

\* Cooks not pre-registered must register (name, address & e-mail) at Cookoff Headquarter by **10:00am** on Saturday. Rates are discounted for those who pre-register online.

\* Chili cooks must print their name on the part of the ticket they retain. DO NOT MARK on the cups or trays.

\* A cooks meeting will be held on Saturday at 10:00am in the registration area.

\* Keep your ticket(s) safe! This is the only way we (and you) will know if you are a trophy winner!

### Turn in Times

Turn-in may begin 10 minutes prior to the Turn-In time and MUST be in line to be received to be judged no later than 5 minutes after the posted turn-in time.

Beans: 11:00am                      Fill the cup to within approximately an inch from the top of the cup.

Tolbert Chili: 1:00pm              Fill the cup to within approximately an inch from the top of the cup.

Brisket: 3:00pm                      See Brisket rules for turn in criteria

### Bean Rules

Cooks must start their entry with Dry Pinto Beans, NO CANNED BEANS ALLOWED. The head cook must prepare the beans to be judged on the cookoff site, the day of the cookoff. (Beans may be soaked overnight.)

\*No more than one judging sample can be taken from any one pot.

\*Other edible items may be added, but nothing can be larger than a bean or in an excessive amount.