

Derrick Days Cookoff Rules as of Feb. 1, 2019

Overnight cookers/campers for the Derrick Days Cookoff can be reserved online. A cook site fee is imposed to assist us with covering facility costs for the weekend. Campers may begin arriving at 8:00 a.m. Friday and must be off the property by noon Sunday. No refunds will be issued. An area is set up for Day Cookers, no camping fee is charged. Event will be held regardless of the weather.

*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.

* Vehicles must be moved off the cookoff site within an hour after unloading. Towing will take place if necessary.

*All entries must be prepared and cooked on site. Cooks must be at least 18 years of age except for the Junior Cooks (age 7 to 17).

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

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

* All cook or designee must register (name, address & e-mail) at Cookoff Headquarter.

* Registering online pre-pay your entry and/or camp site, you must still register the name of the person cooking each category.

* Each cook/team is responsible for picking up their cups and/or trays by 10am on Saturday.

* Chili cooks must print their name on the ticket. DO NOT MARK on the cups or trays.

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

Turn in Times

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

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

Junior Chili: 1pm Fill the cup to within approximately an inch from the top

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

Brisket: 3pm See Brisket rules for turn in criteria

Showmanship: 1:30pm to 2:30pm

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.

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

*Other edible items may be added to the entry, but nothing can be larger than a bean.

Junior Chili Cookoff Rules

* Junior Cooks follow the same cooking rules as the Adult Tolbert Chili Cookoff rules. Junior cooks must be between the ages of 7 and 17 to enter and be accompanied by an adult except while cooking.

* Junior Cooks will cook in a designated area and monitored/assisted by at least two cookoff officials. They must cook their own pot of chili, no parents or guardians will be allowed in the designated area while cooking.

* The contestant should stay with their pots of chili from start to finish. (Short bathroom breaks are okay.)

Showmanship Rules

Showmanship is open to all cookoff participants and will not be Tolbert sanctioned.

Showmanship will be judged on a continuous bases throughout the time limit specified. The judge's criteria is:

Theme (Originality, etc.) Costume Booth Set-Up Action Audience Appeal