

Holy Smoke Backyard BBQ Cook-Off Rules

1. The decisions of the Holy Smoke Backyard BBQ Committee are final.
2. Each team will be made up of a head cook and as many assistants as the chief cook permits.
3. Each team will be assigned a 25x25 ft. space.
4. Cookers, grills, props, tents or any other equipment may not exceed the boundaries of the assigned area.
5. Contestants must provide all equipment.
6. Water will be provided.
7. No open pits or holes are permitted.
8. It is the responsibility of the contestants to see that their assigned area is kept clean during and after the contest.
9. All charcoal and wood products should be extinguished and deposited in the assigned area. All equipment must be removed and trash placed in the dumpster.
10. No refund of the entry fee for any reason.
11. Excessive use of alcoholic beverages, foul abusive or unacceptable language, or excessive noise by a team, member, or guest may result in a disqualification of a team.
12. Fires must be of wood, pellets, or charcoal. No electric or gas grills permitted. Propane may only be used as a fire starter.
13. Contestants must adhere to all electric, fire, and other city, county, state, and federal codes.
14. First aid will not be provided.
15. No cooking may begin until the Official Meat Inspector has inspected meat.
16. Once meat has been inspected, it must not leave the contest site.
17. No use of tobacco products will be allowed while handling meat.
18. Shirt and shoes must be worn at all times.
19. Each team's work area is expected to be kept clean at all times. Sanitizing of the area should be done with bleach water. Each team will provide a separate container for washing, rinsing, and sanitizing of the utensils.
20. A fire extinguisher is required by all cooking devices.
21. Head Chef meeting is at 9:30am Saturday morning.
22. Use of gas or other auxiliary heat sources inside the pit will result in immediate disqualification.
23. Meat must start out raw. No pre-seasoned meat will be allowed, except sausage.

Most Important Rule of All...

24. HAVE FUN!!