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2018 Scout-O-Rama Red Chili Cook Off

TERMS AND CONDITIONS – OFFICIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL CHILI SOCIETY SANCTIONED RED CHILI COOKOFFS

DEFINITION OF RED CHILI

Traditional Red Chili is any kind of meat or combination of meats cooked with red chili peppers, various spices and other ingredients. Beans, pasta and corn are not allowed.

COOKING

There will be no restriction or requirement as to the ingredients, but the entry must be entirely homemade and have chili pepper flavor. Garnish is allowed if the cook so desires.

Red chili must be made on site. Pre-cooked meat will not be allowed.

A minimum of four - five gallons of chili must be prepared of which 32 ounces can be turned in for judging.

Length of the cooking time, typically 3 to 4 hours, will be determined by the Cook off Chairman and Sponsoring Organization.

The exact starting and ending of the cooking period is to be announced prior to the event.

Cooking during the entire cooking period is at the sole discretion of the contestant.

If People's Choice Chili is required at any event that includes a Red Chili cook off, the cooks must comply.

The cook's Red chili may be used as People's Choice, but may not be served until the judging cups for Red Chili have been submitted to the judging area.

A Cooks' Meeting will be held prior to the actual cooking period, during which a general definition of "chili" will be read to the cooks. This same definition will be read to the Judges during the Judges Meeting.



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MEMBERSHIP

All Red Chili contestants must be members of the International Chili Society.

ICS Membership is obtained through the ICS website only.

A one-year membership fee is \$10 for 1 event, \$25 for 3 events, \$45 for unlimited events. However, winners of all sanctioned ICS events will qualify to participate in the ICS World's Championship Chili Cook off.

Persons applying for membership must be 18 years of age.

In order for a ICS cook off to qualify as a legal event, there must be a minimum of 15 cooks.

The first place winner of a legal (15 cooks) ICS sanctioned Red Chili cook off will be qualified to participate in the ICS World's Championship Homestyle Chili Cook off following the win. Once qualified, a member cannot continue to participate in any other ICS sanctioned event, however, they will be permitted to compete in unsanctioned cook offs.

JUDGING

ICS members will NOT be invited to judge.

ICS cook offs will be judged by chili lovers invited by the organizers of the cook off, local celebrities and/or people in attendance at the cook off. Homestyle is what people eat anytime – any place.

During the judges meeting, a general definition of what is expected as "chili" will be given to the judges. They will be asked to vote for their favorite.

Blind judging procedures will be used in determining the winners. True blind judging is difficult since this type of chili may be recognizable due to the uniqueness of some ingredients. Only general instructions regarding the mechanics of judging will be given at a Judges Meeting prior to the actual judging, i.e., one spoon for each taste, cleanse the palate between each taste, no talking about the chili during the judging, etc.

No relative of a participating Homestyle cook will be allowed to judge or to keep score at the cook off.

AWARDS

Awards for the S O R 2018 Chili Cook-off are as follows: All participants will receive a participation trophy; 1st place award is a trophy and \$200.00, 2nd place is a trophy and \$75.00, 3rd place is a trophy and \$50.00. Additional trophy's given will be a people's choice award and best showmanship! Prize money and trophies will be awarded to the winners of the ICS World's Red Chili Cook off (To Be Determined each year).