

42nd Annual Rockdale Fair Association

BBQ Cookoff

General Rules

Entry Fees:

\$225 for the three meats: Beef, Pork Ribs, and Chicken

Campsite with power/water and 3 weekend passes

\$175 for the three meats: Beef, Pork Ribs, and Chicken

Campsite without power/water and 3 weekend passes

Payouts

Prize Payout of Brisket, Chicken and Ribs

1st Place: Custom Buckle and \$500

2nd Place: Cutting Board and \$400

3rd Place: Cutting Board and \$300

Grand Champion: Custom Buckle and \$800

Reserve Champion: Custom Buckle and \$600

Jackpots

\$20 Each

Each Team May Purchase Multiple Jackpot Entries, For Example (2 Salsa, 3 Margaritas & 1 Cook's Choice)

1st Place \$300

2nd Place \$200

3rd Place \$100

For Each Category

Food Rules

All containers should be free from distinguishing marks. If in doubt, exchange your containers.

Brisket, Chicken & Ribs

All entries must be turned in as BBQ meat. No stuffed or wrapped entries will be judged. No pooling of sauce OR garnish in the container. Wrap your entry in foil as demonstrated on the sign in table. Foil must be layed in the bottom of turn in container and folded over the meat, not crumpled up in a ball. Pre-seasoning, pre-cooking or pre-marinating **IS NOT ALLOWED**.

Chicken: Show piece plus 15 bite sized pieces. You do not need to turn in half a chicken as your showpiece. For example, you can have a leg as a showpiece and a mixture of dark and white meat as your bite sized pieces. OR all dark pieces or all white pieces. Your showpiece can be any part of the chicken... thigh, breast, leg or wing.

Pork Ribs: The showpiece must be one full rib. You may include 15 full ribs OR 15 half ribs OR 15 bite sized pieces. **Everything must include the bone.**

Beef Brisket: The show piece must be one full slice. 15 bite sized pieces.

Jackpot Entries

*Cookers **MUST** be entered in the meat categories to enter a jackpot category

Salsa: Entries must be “homemade” and be made on site with fresh ingredients. Canned tomatoes and dry spices are acceptable. Entries can be spicy, but must be edible. You may be asked to take a bite of your entry at the turn in table.

Margarita: Entries are at the head cook’s discretion. May be frozen or on the rocks. Entries with garnish or rim seasonings will be acceptable. Cup with lid will be provided for the entry.

Cook’s Choice: This entry is at the total discretion of the head cook. May be seafood, desert, steak, exotic meat. Anything goes. May be wrapped, filled, sauced, stuffed, a whole dish or individual portions. May be garnished and include dipping sauces. Give us your very best bite!!!

General Rules:

The Rockdale Fair Association is not responsible for theft, damage, or accidents. The Rockdale Fair Association has the right to disqualify any team for rule violations and/or deny any application that is submitted for the BBQ cook off. The Chief Cook will be responsible for the conduct of their team and guests. Any abusive behavior will not be tolerated and will be grounds for immediate dismissal and loss of spot. Decisions of the Rockdale Fair Association Board are final.

❖ For everyone’s safety, the designated road and fire lanes **MUST BE KEPT CLEAR AT ALL TIMES.**

❖ Spaces are approximately 35’x30’. All equipment, pits and campers must fit in the designated space. No exceptions. If you require more than 30 amps of power, you may bring a generator.

❖ Contestants must supply all needed equipment and supplies. Official turn in containers will be provided.

❖ All fires must be contained. Ground fires are NOT permitted. No gas or electric cookers may be used to cook items in the primary categories. Pellet cookers are allowed. Fire extinguishers are required at each campsite.

❖ NO BEER MAY BE BROUGHT INTO THE PARK. Ice and beer may be purchased in the park. Beer by the case will be available to cook off teams at a discounted price and MAY NOT be shared with the public. Beer and ice runners will be working throughout the cook off to take your orders and deliver it to your campsite. Whole cases are only available at the campsite. Individual beers are available for purchase at the Beer Booths by the pavilion and the rodeo arena.

❖ NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STAY IN THE PARK. For the safety of all guests and to alleviate congestion, each team will enter through Gate 5 and will be allowed one trip into the park for camper and pit drop off and two additional trips for dropping off equipment and supplies and driving back out. Gate 5 will begin being closed and teams must check in for entry after noon on Thursday. **All vehicles must be out of the park by 6:00 PM Friday. No exceptions.**

❖ No all-terrain vehicles including, but not limited to: 3 wheeler, 4 wheeler, golf carts, side by sides or children's motorized vehicles are NOT allowed.

❖ You are responsible for the clean up of your assigned space.