

# All-American Burger Festival Cook-off Rules



1. "Teams" can consist of any number of people, but one member must be chosen as team captain (aka head cook). Teams can be as small as one individual.
2. Cooks must provide a grill or smoker and necessary fuel to cook 10 or more pounds of product.
3. You may decorate your cook-off area, but all decorations and furnishings must be confined to your allocated space.
4. All property and equipment used for cooking must be confined to your allocated space. All equipment must be free standing - no stakes, post holes, or digging is allowed. Use of sand buckets for tent covers is allowed.
5. No pre-cooking allowed. Cooking may begin after head cook meeting, held the day of the event. Ingredients and beef will be inspected prior to cooking. Patty must be at least 75% beef. Cooks must submit list of ingredients upon sign in. (Your secret spices and marinades are your business and you are not required to disclose them.)
6. All fires must be contained. Absolutely no ground fires or digging pits.
7. Head Cook is responsible for team conduct. No lewd, inappropriate behavior, and/or misconduct by team members or guests will be tolerated. No alcoholic beverages (except when used for cooking).
8. Each team is responsible for cleaning up their cooking area.
9. Mark's Outing, the All-American Festival, Sponsors and Volunteers of the Burger Cookoff will not be held responsible for loss, damage, theft, injury or accidents.
10. No political activity will be allowed in any cooking area.
11. The Cook-off organizers reserve the right to amend regulations as circumstances warrant.
12. Each group must prepare at least 10lbs. of product (or the amount required by your division) for distribution of samples to sponsors and judges. Additional product should be prepared for consumption by your team.
13. Burgers must be cooked thoroughly per City of San Antonio Metro Health District rules. City of San Antonio Health Department Food Handlers will be available to you, at-all-times, during the cookoff. Their instructions and each teams' adherence thereto is MANDATORY regarding the handling, storing, cooking and distribution of food. We strongly recommend you get a food handlers card which is available from the City of San Antonio Metro Health Department for a nominal fee.
14. Entry payment deadline is 6:00pm, Friday, June 30, 2017. Teams will be placed in an assigned spot upon arrival and check-in on Saturday, July 15, 2017 between 10am and 11:45am.
15. Judging begins at noon on Saturday and continues until 3:00pm. You will be given your judging slot upon check-in.
16. Entry Fee: \$100 per team. Prizes: First Place \$550, Second Place \$250, Third Place \$200.