

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. **COOKING SOURCE** Cooks are to prepare chili in their assigned booth using propane/gas or charcoal grills/burner as their means of cooking. Propane/gas tanks must be secured to a fixed object with a chain. No bungee cords or ropes will be allowed to secure the propane/gas. No open wood fires **NO EXCEPTIONS**. Teams must provide fireproof grease shield under all cookers and a 10lbs ABC fire extinguisher with a one year current inspection tag. **NO** generators are allowed.
2. **START TIME** You may not begin cooking until 8:00 a.m. Prior to 8:00 a.m., cooks may test their stoves and begin on-site preparation of canned or bottled tomatoes, tomato sauce, peppers, pepper sauce, canned beans, broth, grinding and/or mixing of spices and beverages, chopping, slicing and peeling. If alcohol is used in the chili, cooks must post a sign in a prominent location stating that the chili contains alcohol; judges must be notified as well. Meats may be pre-cut or ground but not treated in any way. Cooking before 8:00 a.m., will result in automatic disqualification.
3. **COOK OFF CATEGORIES & OTHER EVENTS**
 - A. **REGULAR CHILI (NO-BEANS) MANDATORY – Turn in time 12:00pm**
This is defined as any kind of meat or combination of meats cooked with chili peppers, pre-cooked, or canned tomatoes, and various spices. Ingredients such as beans, rice or pastas are strictly forbidden.
 - B. **EXOTIC (ANYTHING GOES) – Turn in time 2:00pm**
This may consist of ANY meats, chili peppers, pre-cooked or canned tomatoes, various spices, and other ingredients, such as any variety of beans, rice or pasta is accepted.
 - C. **SHOWMANSHIP**
Teams are encouraged to decorate their space and/or dress up in themed costumes! Get creative, keeping in mind this is a family friendly event. The public will vote for their favorite team by ballot (teams must display their # for voting) based on taste of chili, team spirit and enthusiasm! One ballot per person.
 - D. **JACPOT MARGARITA CONTEST- See attached entry form for rules.**
 - E. **WASHERS TOURNAMENT- See attached entry form for rules.**
4. **PUBLIC CHILI TASTING begins at 12pm** Festival attendees will purchase an official tasting cup at the Information Booth and must also wear the wristband to receive chili from the cook teams. Teams will be issued a 2 oz ladle to use when serving the public. **Teams are required to cook a minimum of six (6) gallons of chili**, but we encourage you to cook more (finished volume). Please note that this event will draw up to at least 6,000 or more spectators.
5. **JUDGING** area is located at 2314 Strand 2nd floor, the entrance to the staircase is located in the breezeway between Tsunami Tequila Emporium and Jammin' Sportswear, teams will turn in their judging container at the top of the stairs. Regular Chili turn in will be accepted between 12:00pm-12:10pm Exotic Chili turn in will be accepted between 2:00pm-2:10pm. Turn in will not be accepted before or after these time slots.
6. **COOKS MEETING** One person from each team is **REQUIRED** to attend the chief cooks meeting at 7:00pm Friday January 17th, 2020 at Yaga's Café. Any and all questions will be addressed. A party for the teams will be held after the meeting following from 8-10pm with free draft beer.

- 7. COOKS, TEAMS & CHEERING SECTIONS** We encourage you to have cheering sections. These can help generate excitement for spectators throughout the day. LIVE ANIMALS ARE NOT ALLOWED AT THE EVENT. We expect that everyone will respect the family nature of the event and conduct himself or herself accordingly. We ask that all contestants be willing to be photographed and interviewed for later promotional use.
- 8. BOOTHS & EQUIPMENT – Register by 11/17/2019 to receive the same space as 2019.** Booth spaces are 12'x12'. Set up anytime after 6am on Saturday. Contestants will be responsible for supplying all ingredients, cooking utensils, stoves, tables and chairs, ice chest, water supply, trash bags, etc. Marked booth locations will be on paved surface therefore, no pegs or stakes will be permitted to support booth decorations. Nothing may be placed or attached to any tree, light pole or shrubbery. Any support needed must be concrete blocks, sand bags, water jugs, etc. supplied by the contestant. Do not begin breakdown until 6pm and absolutely no grease or grey water allowed in the streets of Galveston...it goes straight to the Gulf! Teams are also responsible for removing all trash from their space at the end of the event. Yaga's Entertainment will provide a grey water tank to dispose of any liquids including wash water, soap water, chili etc. Grease barrels will be placed throughout the cook off to dispose of all grease.
- 9. Exhibitor/Contestant Indemnity** Yaga's Entertainment, Inc, including all of its directors, sponsors, employees, and the Owner/Exhibitor/Contestant, including parents and/or legal representatives hereinafter called "Exhibitor/Contestant" agree that Yaga's Entertainment, Inc will in no case be responsible for any loss or damage or injury to the person, animals, or property of Exhibitor/Contestant, their agents, servants, family and/or employees, regardless of how such a loss, damage or injury is occasioned and by whom. Yaga's Entertainment, Inc and Exhibitor/Contestant further agree that the Exhibitor/Contestant will protect, indemnify and hold harmless Yaga's Entertainment, Inc, from any claims, suits and/or judgment(s), including the cost of defense of any such claim and/or suit and/or judgment(s) by, through or behalf of Yaga's Entertainment, Inc, brought by anyone as a result of any loss, damage, or injury, personal or otherwise to any person, animals or property occasioned by any action or inaction of Exhibitor/Contestant, either solely or in conjunction with Yaga's Entertainment, Inc or anyone else. Exhibitor/Contestant agrees to abide by all Rules and Regulations, published or otherwise presented, of Yaga's Chili Quest and Beer Fest.
- 10. GALVESTON COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT** A free flowing hand washing spigot dispenser will be available for pick up Saturday morning at the Main Information Booth (Saengerfest Park 23rd & Strand) at 8:00am. Teams must provide a discard bucket, soap, paper towel and warm water. Latex gloves will be provided to each team at the Cooks Meeting. Teams are required to provide a proper dishwashing station. (See page 10-11 for the official Galveston County Health District Temporary Food Service Rules) The Temporary Food Permit with the Galveston County Health Department will be completed for each team and with a copy issued to each team either at the chief cook's meeting or Saturday morning upon inspection by the Health District.
- 11. AWARDS**
REGULAR CHILI 1ST, 2nd, 3RD Trophies
EXOTIC CHILI 1ST, 2nd, 3RD Trophies
SHOWMANSHIP 1ST Trophy
JACKPOT MARGARITA 1st Cash Jackpot, Trophy, Tsunami Drink Menu, 2nd-3rd Medals
WASHER TOURNAMENT 1st Trophy, 2nd Medal, 3rd Medal

***The top 10 teams will be posted on the Yaga's Chili Quest & Beer Fest Facebook page. LIKE us to see the results! Regular, Exotic, Margarita & Washer Tournament**

JACKPOT PATRON MARGARITA CONTEST

12pm Saengerfest Park 23rd & Strand

AWARDS

1st Cash Jackpot, Trophy, Tsunami Drink Menu

2nd & 3rd Medals

REGISTRATION FEE

\$20.00 Registration Received on or before December 31, 2019

\$25.00 Registration Received after January 1, 2020

RULES

- Participants must be at least **21** and must have proper identification available at check in.
- Participants must be entered in the Chili Quest Cook Off in order to participate in this event.
- **Teams are REQUIRED to use sponsor tequila only**
 - **(2 – 1.5 ounces will be provided by Yaga’s Entertainment)**
- Any other ingredients may be used including juices, liqueurs and garnish
- Teams will receive a 3-foot space to prepare and present their margarita.
- A ticket will be assigned to each space for judging purposes.
- Check In is at 11:30, Saturday January 18, 2020 in Saengerfest Park by the stage
- Ingredients may not be pre-mixed. Store bought juices are allowed.
- All ingredients will be inspected by the committee prior to competition.
- Only 2 members of the team are allowed on stage.
- All recipes must be original
- Costumes and themes are encouraged but not required
- Fire is absolutely not allowed as a special effect during performance
- Any type of glassware is allowed for final presentation, but no logos or distinguishable markings are permitted.
- Frozen margaritas are permitted. Power will be available, but contestant must provide extension cord & blender.
- Contest begins promptly at 12:00. No entries will be accepted once the contest begins
- Contestants are allowed 2 ½ minutes of preparation time. This **ONLY** includes set up of equipment and materials. **NO** juicing, cutting or slicing!
- Contestants are then allowed 5 minutes to prep, make and complete the margarita.
- Contestants are required to make 2 of the same margarita. 1 for tasting and 1 for presentation.
- Garbage receptacles will be provided and it is the participant’s responsibility to clean and dispose of their area after judging has ended.

JUDGING CRITERIA

(VOTING 1-5 SCALE)

Taste Strength of margarita, not too strong not too weak, Level of acidity, Smoothness factor

Showmanship/Technique Bartending skills & flare displayed while mixing margarita, creativity of theme/costume

Final Presentation Appearance of drink, appropriate glassware for drink prepared, Garnish

Washers Tournament

(23rd/Strand Saengerfest Park, Day of Registration ends 10am if not sold out)

AWARDS

1st Trophy

2nd -3rd Medal

REGISTRATION FEE

\$20 per team of two individuals

RULES

- 2 people per team
- Limited to 15 teams
- 10:30 Check In in Saengerfest Park 23rd/Strand
- 11:00 Start
- Played on 2' X 2' washer boards w/ one 3" hole
- Each team will have 4 washers to toss per round (provided by Yaga's)
 - 2" zinc coated washers
- Boxes will be placed 20 feet apart
- Double elimination
- First team to 15 wins or whichever team is leading after 10 minutes of play
 - Scoring will be accumulative style (all pts count toward final score)
 - In results of a tie, next team with highest round score wins
- Players must remain behind box during toss

SCORING SYSTEM

Box = 1 point

In Cup = 3 points

- No extra points will be given for washers that lean over the edge on board (**ONLY BOX AND CUP PTS**)
- Washers that get knocked off during round play will not count towards pts. Unless a member is involved in a washer falling off the board (intentionally or unintentionally)
- Team members are allowed to bounce the washers in attempting to acquire points
- All rounds will be capped at a 10-minute maximum limit **EXCEPT** the Championship round
 - Championship round will be the first team to 15 (no time limit)