

BBQ Cook-Off Rules and Regulations

Definition:

For the purposes of this competition, BBQ is defined as any kind of meat or combination of meats cooked over a live fire and smoke.

Contestants:

Each contestant will be assigned a "contestants number" and will receive a marker that will identify them as a contestant.

Contestants are responsible for supplying all of their own meats, utensils & products relating to their BBQ preparation and maintenance of its proper temperature for serving and tasting.

Each contestant must cook enough meat for at least three (3) judges. All ingredients must be made known to the judges at time of tasting.

Official sign up will the day of (October 25th) at 12 p.m. at the Interpretive Campfire Circle in Campground D.

If you are only in the park for the day and not an overnight guest and wish to participate, you must use the grills provided by the park (i.e. grills at the picnic pad or shelters). You must also register on the day of at the Interpretive Campfire Circle in Campground D starting at noon.

Tasting:

Tasting begins at 6:00 p.m. at the Interpretive Campfire Circle in Campground D. All BBQ must be ready for tasting by 6:00 p.m. All ingredients must be pre-cooked & treated prior to tasting. BBQ should be in a serving size container. **Important Notice:** Due to Health Department regulations, Claytor Lake State Park does not endorse or support serving BBQ to the general public.

Judging shall be on the following elements: All BBQ will be brought to a central location at the Interpretive Campfire Circle in Campground D.

1. Texture: The texture of the meat shall not be tough or mushy
2. Flavor: The BBQ should have a good smokey flavor with good seasoning
3. Consistency
4. Spice and taste: Blending of the spices and how well they have permeated the meat
5. Aroma: This will be a personal preference of the judge
6. Appearance: The submitted BBQ should look appetizing

1st and 2nd place prize winners will be announced at the Interpretive Campfire Circle in Campground D at 7 p.m. 1st place will receive a \$100 gift certificate and 2nd place will receive a \$50 gift certificate.

The decision of the judges is final.