

# BACKYARD BBQ COMPETITION RULES AND REQUIREMENTS



Saturday, September 10, 2016 Christa McAuliffe Park

**Qualifications:** This is an amateur competition, open to anyone who has not participated in a professional BBQ Competition.

**Registration:** Teams must register by September 2, 2016. Space is limited to 15 teams. The entry fee is \$75.00 plus a \$50.00 refundable cleaning deposit.

**Payment:**

Full payment is required with application. Checks must be made payable to Cameron Park Community Services District (event organizers). Credit cards accepted – please call 530-677-2231

**Refunds:**

In the event that the competitor's application is not approved because the maximum number of teams has been reached, a full refund of fees will be provided within 10 business days. In the event that the Competitor must cancel his/her appearance for any reason less than 20 days prior to the scheduled date of the event, all monies paid will be forfeited. Cameron Park Country Fest is a rain or shine event. No refunds will be issued in the event of rain. In the unlikely event that the BBQ competition is cancelled by the event organizer for any reason, a full refund of fees paid will be provided within 10 business days of such decision.

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**Equipment/Supplies:** Each team must provide their own shade structure, fire extinguisher, cooking ingredients (other than meat), storage/prep/cooking/warming devices, probe thermometer and utensils. The event is being held in an open field, so plan accordingly. Each team must also provide their own hand washing and utensil washing equipment per EDC Dept. of Environmental Management. See BBQ Checklist. Cooking equipment cannot be shared between teams. No open pits or holes are permitted. Food safe gloves and serving vessels will be provided by the event organizers.

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**BBQ area:** Each team will be provided a 15' x 15' area for their entry fee. Additional space may be purchased if available. No electricity is provided. All equipment must fit within the space provided. Space cannot be shared between teams. Each team is responsible for keeping their BBQ area clean during the contest.

**Decorations:** Teams are encouraged to setup and decorate their BBQ space to resemble a backyard with a country/redneck twist for a chance to win a cash prize & trophy. The winner will be determined by the event organizers.

**Cleanliness/Food Safety:**

- Food prepared or stored at home is prohibited
- Meat must be kept at 45 ° Fahrenheit or below prior to cooking
- Clean; wash hands and surfaces before food preparation and at other times necessary to prevent food contamination and especially after visiting the restroom
- No animals allowed within the BBQ area
- Meat must be kept at 135 ° Fahrenheit or above after cooking
- Smoking is prohibited in food preparation areas
- Entrants must provide buckets for wash, rinse & sanitize
- All cooking areas must be clean and sanitized.

**General Information:**

- Space is NOT reserved until payment is received.
- Spaces are randomly assigned. Competitor locations are NOT negotiable.
- Vehicles are only allowed on the event site for setup before the event and teardown after the event.
- Approved Competitors will receive detailed information regarding entry, booth location, setup and teardown prior to the event.
- All event participants and their employees are expected to serve as a positive representation of the community and at no time shall engage in any illegal or unethical activities. Such behavior shall result in removal from the festival and forfeiture of fees.
- Competitors are responsible for ALL setup and teardown.
- BBQ area must NOT be left unattended.
- At all times Competitor must keep booth clean and is responsible for the proper disposal of trash and/or waste.
- Competitors are responsible for complying with all El Dorado County guidelines for food service to the public. Temporary Food Facility Requirements are available on the El Dorado County, Environmental Health website.
- No outside alcohol is allowed.

**Setup/Teardown:**

Competitors may setup (load in) on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> from 7am to 10am. All Competitors must be in place by 10am on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Teardown can begin after 7pm on September 10<sup>th</sup>, however no vehicles will be allowed to enter or leave the grounds until after 8:00pm. The site must be torn down and free of litter by 8:30pm. Note: Any hot coals must be contained in a fireproof container, provided by contestant, and removed from the premises. DUMPING OF HOT COALS ON SITE IS NOT ALLOWED. The \$50.00 cleaning deposit will be returned upon confirmation of a clean site.

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**Schedule:**

BBQ Area Inspection	10:00am
Cook’s Meeting	10:30am
“Backyards” Decorated	2:30pm
Turn In	4 :00pm
People’s Choice tasting	4:30 to 6:00pm
Awards Presentation	6:30pm

The above times are approximate and subject to change.

**Judging:**

Panel – Judging is based on blind tasting. Each team/contestant will draw a number at turn in. The food entry submitted to the Judges will only be identified by that number. All Teams must submit their entries by the turn in time specified above. Any team that does not have their entry submitted by the turn in time will not be judged.

People's Choice – Teams must be prepared to start serving by 4:30pm. Each team will provide tasting samples to the people's choice judges; each team must submit a minimum of 8 individual ribs for judging. Meat must be served out of a covered server and kept at or above 135 °F. People's choice service will run from 4:30pm to 6:30pm only. Additional details will be provided prior to the event with regard to quantity of samples required and the voting process.

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\*\* People's Choice – The public will be able to buy tickets for tasting with a separate ticket to give to their choice. One rib per ticket. Tickets will be sold for the tasting as well as a choice ticket to submit to determine the winner. There will be no more than 60 tickets sold for tasting (each participant contributes to the contest) – this number may increase depending on number of competitors. Each contestant will need to prepare at least 60 ribs.

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**Awards:**

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

Best Ribs (decided by panel judges)	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Trophy plus \$75.00 cash
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	\$50.00 cash
Best Backyard (decided by event organizers)		Trophy plus \$50.00 cash
People's Choice		Trophy plus \$75.00 cash

**Photography Release:**

I understand that the event organizers or agents may photograph me and/or my booth and that the event organizers may use such photographs to promote future events. I expressly allow, and hereby waive any objection to the event organizers or their agents photographing me and/or my booth. I understand that the photographs shall remain the property of the event organizers.

**Waiver of Liability:**

In consideration to participate in the activity sponsored by the Cameron Park Community Services District (CSD), for myself, do release and forever discharge the CSD, its directors, employees and instructors from any and every claim, demand, action or right of action arising from or by reason of any bodily injury or personal injuries, death or property damage which may occur as a result of his/her participation in the current enrolled activity or any activities in connection with the current activity, whether or not caused by any act or omission of the CSD, its directors, employees, or instructors. The Vendor acknowledges that the indemnified parties above assume no liability for damages and agree that they are participating at their sole risk, and waive all claims against the indemnified parties.

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**I have read and understand the foregoing Backyard BBQ Competition Rules and Requirements. I understand and agree that my signature upon this document constitutes a binding agreement to adhere to the same.**

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Authorized Signature

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Date

Print Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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