

## 2018 Habitat for Humanity's BBQ for Building Event Team Rules

1. Teams consist of one chief cook, plus no more than three assistants. Team entry fees include: 500 serving portion cups for public serving, 500 forks, 40 plastic food service gloves, 3 trash bags, 10 16-ounce plastic cups, 500 forks, one roll of paper towels and one 20-lb bag of ice. Additional supplies will not be provided, but teams are encouraged to share excess supplies.
2. It is the responsibility of the team captain to maintain clean and safe food handling practices.
  - a) Raw meat is to be held at 40 degrees or below (preferable packed in ice).
  - b) Cooked pork to be held at or above 140 degrees, chicken at or above 160 for white meat and at or above 180 for dark meat, and beef at or above 140 degrees.
  - c) Hands and cooking utensils must be washed and sanitized. Washing stations are available.
  - d) A sanitizing solution of one cap bleach per one gallon of water is recommended to clean working surfaces and cooking utensils.
  - e) Shirts and shoes are required to be worn. Cooks are encouraged to wear hats.
  - f) Gloves are provided and should be worn when preparing and serving food.
3. Each team will provide all equipment needed to prep and cook entries for the contest.
4. All cookers/smokers/grills/shall be heated with wood, charcoal or wood pellets ONLY. The use of electric or gas (LP) as a heat source is PROHIBITED. The use of electrical feed augers (pellet cookers), fans or rotisseries is permitted.
5. NO open fires, pits or holes in the ground are permitted. Designated metal trash cans to dispose of coals and ashes will be onsite. DO NOT discard hot items in regular garbage containers. Dumpsters for regular garbage will be onsite.
6. Competition meats are to be inspected by the assigned meat inspector before any seasoning or cooking. Meat is not required to be in original packaging. You can trim the meat before inspection if you wish.
7. All seasoning, marinating and cooking shall be done inside the assigned cook site.
8. All team spaces are approximately 15' x 15'. Water and power access is available to all teams. Extension cords, hoses/splitters are not provided. Tables and chairs provided. Teams are encouraged to bring a "tailgating tent" and anything to promote their team such as banners, signs, table decorations, etc.
9. Teams may enter one or both cooking categories. Teams must enter both categories to be eligible for Grand Champion Prize. Categories are:
  - (1) Backyard Division \$200 entry fee
  - (2) Best Slider Division \$100 entry fee
  - (3) People's Choice is required and is included for both divisions
10. All teams, regardless of category, are required to offer small food samples to all event attendees for voting. Each ticket purchaser is given tokens to cast their vote. Voting takes place in a designated area away from cooking stations. Teams must start serving food samples at 11:00 a.m. when gates open or risk being disqualified. The object is not to be the first one to run out of food.
11. The chief cook is REQUIRED to attend competitor's meeting; assistants are welcome to attend. There will be a ten-minute window for turning in each category – five minutes before until five minutes after the

assigned time. This is the only time the entry will be received. There will be 30 minutes between turn in times. The turn-in order will be 11:00 a.m. sauce; 11:30 a.m. chicken; 12:00 p.m. ribs; 12:30 p.m. brisket; and 1:00 p.m. sliders. Each team will be provided numbered 9 x 9 styrofoam containers; one turn-in box per meat judged for taste, tenderness, and appearances. One turn-box for sliders judged for appearance and taste. It is required that the containers provided are the ones that are used. If you lose or damage your turn-in container, one may be replaced but only by an event representative, provided there is enough time.

- (a) Six individual pieces of chicken and six individual pieces of rib, brisket and sauce are required to be turned in. Garnish is optional but is limited to GREEN LETTUCE only. No parsley or anything else. Only the specific category of meat and, if you choose, lettuce. NOTHING ELSE IS ALLOWED IN THE BOX.
- (b) Six sliders of the same variety. No Garnishment allowed, sliders only. NOTHING ELSE IS ALLOWED IN THE BOX.
- (c) No sculpting or marking inside or outside the box. Any such action may cause a team to be disqualified. Also, raw chicken will cause a score to be reduced to an appearance only score.
- (d) Judging will be by the blind double numbering system to ensure anonymity. Each meat entry will be judged on appearance, taste, and tenderness.
- (e) Results will be tallied and in the event of a tie system of comparing scores will be utilized starting with the taste scores. After that we move to an electronic coin flip. In the event there is a tie for Grand Champion, the scores will be compared starting with Ribs and then Chicken.

12. Teams can bring beverages for their own consumption. Pour alcoholic beverages into a cup. Please throw away all cans and bottles. Milo's Tea and Coke products will be provided during the event.

13. People's Choice (pork butts) judging starts at 11:00 a.m. and ends at 2:00 p.m. No coercion of event attendees allowed. Results will be tallied by volunteers. In the event of a tie, winner will be determined by coin toss.

14. All cash prize winners must complete a W-9 and will receive payment in check form via first-class mail. Teams may elect to waive cash prizes. In the event of waiver, the cash prize amount will be considered a tax-deductible donation and a receipt of contribution will be mailed.

Prizes include:

- \*Grand Champion (overall winner) \$500 plus trophy
- Backyard Division 1<sup>st</sup> Place \$300 plus trophy
- Backyard Division 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Trophy
- Backyard Division 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Certificate
- Best Slider Division 1<sup>st</sup> Place \$200 plus trophy
- Best Slider Division 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Trophy
- Best Slider Division 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Certificate
- People's Choice winner Trophy

\*Teams must enter both divisions to be eligible for Grand Champion prize

**Hold Harmless Clause:**

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Birmingham will not be held responsible or liable in any way for any losses, costs, damages, liabilities, debts or expenses incurred by participants of the BBQ for Building event or their parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, successors, or assigns as a result of any acts, omissions, or negligence of any person, firm, partnership, or corporation attending or participating in the BBQ for Building event, whether or not the act, omission, or negligence occurs prior to, during, or following the BBQ for Building event.