

# Cook-Off Information

All meat must be USDA approved and **no home-canned items** may be used.  
**ALL CHILI & SALSA MUST BE PREPARED & COOKED ON SITE!**

## CASI CHILI \*

The Chili Appreciation Society International (CASI) is the sanctioning entity for this category. By entering this category, your chili must meet CASI requirements. No Fillers in Chili (beans, pasta, corn, rice, etc.). Trophies awarded to top 10 places. For more information, visit the CASI website at [www.chili.org](http://www.chili.org).

## HOME-STYLE CHILI \*

This category is open to anyone who wants to show off his/her culinary skills—come out and cook your best 'Home-style' chili recipe. This is an open-class that has no restrictions on ingredients. Your chili will be judged by a table of judges.

## SALSA \*

This category is open to anyone that wants to enter. Cooks must be willing to taste their own salsa upon request. No home-canned items or store-bought salsa may be used.

## JR's DIVISION CHILI

Open only to participants 6-17 years of age. *No restrictions on ingredients.* Cooks must be willing to taste their own chili upon request. A parent must be present in the same cooking space. Parents may help only as needed for safety reasons (draining grease, lighting stove, etc). Children are to do their own cooking.

## SHOWMANSHIP (CASI & OPEN)

This is a chance to show off your imagination, personality, acting and decorating skills. Teams and booths are judged on theme, costume, actions and audience appeal. Note: If you plan to participate in CASI Show, you must enter CASI Chili.

## PEOPLES CHOICE – CHILI

A minimum of 3 gallons of chili is required to be eligible for this category. This cook-off is open to the public and gives them an opportunity to taste the best chili in Indiana. Judging for this category will be by the public. Voting boxes will be provided.

\* must be at least 18 years of age

## Facilities / Misc

There are NO shelter areas available for cooking. Cook-offs are held rain or shine so be prepared.

### WE WILL PROVIDE FOR EACH COOK/TEAM...

- 1-10'x10' space
- Judging cups/containers and labels\*
- Sample cups & spoons
- People's Choice voting boxes\*

### ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO BRING THEIR OWN...

- Butane or Propane Stove (electric NOT available)
- Canopy
- Utensils, pots/pans, etc.
- Weights and Tie Downs
- Ingredients
- Tables & Chair
- Cooler (to store ingredients)
- Decorations (if applicable)

\* *No other containers or labels may be used. The containers may not be tampered with or defaced in any way. Individuals who do so are subject to disqualification. No decorations or garnishes are permissible.*

Dump and grease buckets will be provided. **No DUMPING ALLOWED ON THE GROUNDS.**