

# CHILI CONTESTANT GUIDELINES

## SCHEDULE

**CONTESTANT SETUP: 1:00-2:45 PM**

**CLOSED JUDGING: 2:45-4:15 PM**

**PUBLIC TASTING 4:30-6:30 PM**

**AWARDS: 6:30 PM**

## CHILI ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

### Registration Checklist

1. Read this document carefully before entering your chili
2. Click here to Complete the chili entry form or go to:  
<http://www.unitedwayduluth.org/Chilizoo8/cookoffregistration.htm>
3. Submit registration fee and kitchen license by August 22 to:  
United Way of Greater Duluth  
424 W. Superior St., Suite 402  
Duluth, MN 55802  
Fax: 726-4778

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Pay \$30 Entry Fee (No fee for Charitable 501(c)(3) organizations)
- Submit Kitchen License Copy by August 22
- All food must be prepared in a LICENSED KITCHEN
- o Suggestion: Arrange with a local church, community center, etc., to use their licensed kitchen. Obtain a copy of their kitchen license and mail or fax it to United Way at the above address.

## BRIEF HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

1. Food Supplies must come from an approved commercial source.
2. No home prepared food or food stored at home is allowed (Garden Program canned products are not considered home prepared.)
3. Potentially hazardous food shall be maintained at 40°F or below, or 150°F or above. Previously cooked food that is reheated shall reach an internal temperature of at least 165°F throughout before being served.
4. An adult shall be responsible for the operation of the booth and shall supervise any minors working at the booth.
5. Each table must have facilities for hand washing and cleanup (e.g. moist towelettes and paper towels, and a spray bottle containing germicidal solutions (one tsp household bleach to one gallon water).
6. All servers shall maintain their hands in a clean, sanitary condition and wash hands immediately after going to the toilet, handling raw food, smoking, or otherwise soiling their hands.
7. All servers must wear aprons and gloves and, for long hair, effective hair restraints such as hairnets, headbands or caps.
8. Servers must not use tobacco in any form while on duty.

**If you need more information about setup call:  
CHILI HOTLINE at 726-4770**

## GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. Make AT LEAST 8 GALLONS OF CHILI
2. Bring your chili HEATED TO HOT
3. Use coolers lined with plastic food service bags to carry the chili
4. Small serving cups and spoons are provided. Please DO NOT bring your own.
5. Each team will receive an insulated container to hold 1 batch of chili
6. YOU provide ladles, chaffing dish and sterno for 4 hours
7. NO access to electricity will be provided
8. Set up from 1:00-2:45pm
9. No plastic or Styrofoam please. We compost ALL trash!



### Awards — Judging begins at 2:45 pm!

- One of Each: Spicy Spirit, Hottest-Yet-Edible, Most Unique, Vegetarian, People's Choice Awards
- 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place for Each: Professional & Amateur Divisions

## UNLOADING VEHICLE

- Where: DECC Arena
- Unload at Door 6, lake side of DECC, across from Vista dock
- Promptly unload vehicle
- Vehicles unattended may be towed at owner's expense

## CHILI PASSES AND PARKING

### Event Tickets/Passes

- 4 FREE PASSES are provided to contestants upon arrival at the DECC
- Additional passes can be purchased starting September 2 at United Way and at the Cook-Off

### Parking

- The DECC charges \$4 per vehicle to park in their lot or in the parking ramp.
- This permit is good all day.

## ADMISSION

- Children \$3, Adults \$6, Families \$16 [Advance tickets available for groups of 12 or more for \$4/ticket.]
- Hand stamps will be placed on paid guests. Please do not serve those without stamps. Direct them to the ticketing area to get a stamp.

PLEASE DO NOT SERVE THE PUBLIC UNTIL 4:30