

FIRE FEST 2008

4th Annual Firefighter's BBQ Cookoff
Friday, October 24 & Saturday, October 25
HFD VJTF • 8030 Braniff

1. NOTE: Only one (1) team per barbeque pit
2. Teams must include at least one (1) Retired, Professional, or Volunteer Firefighter
3. Any and all meats that may be entered into judging will be cooked from scratch within the constraints of the event. Pre-cooking, marinating, etc. will not be allowed prior to the start of the cook-off. Competition Meats will be inspected by the Fire Fest BBQ Chairmen.
4. Fires must be wood or charcoal. Pit may include gas or electricity to start natural substance. **But not to complete cooking.** Holes or open pits are not permitted. Fires may not be built on the ground. Each team MUST bring a fire extinguisher.
5. Props, trailers, motor home vehicles, tents and any other equipment may not exceed the boundary of the contestants assigned space.
6. **Check in begins Friday, October 24 at 8 a.m.**
7. Cooks meeting will be held on **Saturday, October 25 at 9 a.m. HEAD COOKS MUST ATTEND.**
 - a. Dessert Turn-in time 10 a.m.
 - b. Beans Turn-in time 11 a.m.
 - c. Chicken Turn-in time 12 p.m.
 - One Half (1/2) chicken fully split chicken with breast, wing, thigh and drumstick
 - d. Ribs Turn-in time 1:30 p.m.
 - Nine (9) individual ribs. Ribs must be SPARE RIBS ONLY, not baby back or other cut or type of ribs. Only pork can be used for competition.
 - e. Brisket Turn-in time 3 p.m.
 - Nine (9) full width slices (approximately 1/4" to 3/8" thick)

BASED ON THE NUMBER OF COOKS, TURN-IN QUANTITIES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

NO GARNISH OR SAUCE is allowed in the tray at turn-in. You may cook with sauce, but it cannot be ladled onto the meat at turn-in time.

8. It is the responsibility of the Head Cook to see that the contest area is kept clean and that the area cleaned and policed following the contest. All fires must be put out, concrete blocks and other building or props hauled away and all equipment removed from the site.
9. Excessive use of alcoholic beverages may be grounds for disqualification. Alcoholic beverage rules must be followed.
10. No extra vehicles shall be allowed in the pit area once pit is setup. Motor home/travel trailer are considered as one (1) vehicle.
11. **NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN COOK-OFF AREAS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SEEING EYE DOGS.**
12. Promoter and cook-off officials will not be held responsible for accidents.
13. No skateboards, skates, in-line skates, bicycles, 4 wheelers, golf carts or motorcycles allowed.

For more information on the Fire Fest 2008 Firefighter's BBQ cook off, call the BBQ & Food Chairmen: Ted Moffitt at 713.907.8901 or Rickey Wood at 281.235.2292. Fire Fest is produced by the Houston Fire Museum, a 501-c-3 education non-profit. Make checks payable to the Houston Fire Museum. Send checks to Houston Fire Museum, 2403 Milam, Houston, TX, 77006, or Rickey Wood, 22819 Bayleaf, Spring, TX 77373, or