

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**  
**FANTASY OF LIGHTS**  
**BARBEQUE COOK-OFF**

Friday, December 4 and December 5, 2009

General

1. The Fantasy of Lights BBQ Committee and Sealy Community Foundation reserve the right to expand or modify these rules and regulations. Decisions of the committee chairman and judges will be final.
2. The City of Sealy and the Sealy Community Foundation are not responsible for theft or damage to equipment or contestants.
3. The Chief Cook is responsible for the actions of its team members and guests. Excessive use of alcoholic beverages will be grounds for disqualification. No alcoholic beverages are to be served to anyone under 21 or sold to the public. All alcohol must remain in cook-off participants designated area.

Check-In

1. Contestants may start moving in after 5:00pm on Thursday, December 3. Check-in and meat inspection will begin at 12:00 pm on Friday, December 4.
2. Spaces will be grass and available on a first-come first serve basis.
3. NO electricity will be provided. All travel trailers and motor homes will have to operate off of a generator.
4. All contestants must supply all needed equipment and supplies.
5. Each team will be allowed to bring an ATV or golf cart for use specifically to vehicles and/or entry turn-in point.

Cooking and Judging

1. Entry inspection will be conducted at check-in. Meat must be unseasoned and raw at time of inspection. No meat will be removed from contest area after inspection.
2. Chief cooks meeting will be at 10:00 am Saturday, December 5.
3. Fires must be wood or wood substance. No electric or gas fires are allowed. Holes or dug pits are not permitted. Heat shields must be provided if fires are capable of damaging contest area. Pellet cookers will be allowed.
4. **No garnishes or sauces** will be allowed on meat for turn-in.
5. Judging procedures – Only one (1) container of each category entered will be judged and on the blind system to ensure anonymity of contestants. Judging will be Lone Star Barbecue Society Rules.

6. Entry fees - \$75 for one meat or ALL meat categories
7. Saturday Turn In as follows:

Jackpot Pinto Beans	12:00 pm
Chicken	1:00 pm
Ribs	2:00 pm
Brisket	3:00 pm

#### Optional Jackpot Competitions

1. All jackpots will be conducted on the blind judging system. BBQ Committee members will hand out containers for Friday night entries during check-in and meat inspection.
2. Jackpot margarita and jackpot chili competitions will be held on Friday, December 4. These contests will be optional.
3. Jackpot Margarita Contest – 7:00 pm, \$10 entry fee  
Margaritas will be judged on taste and appeal.
4. Jackpot Chili – 8:00 pm, \$10 entry fee

#### Move Out

1. All teams must be cleared of the contest site no later than noon on Sunday, December 6.
2. Each team will be responsible for clean up for their site prior to moving out. There are to be no ashes, beans or trash left in their cooking areas.