

2nd Annual Washington County Fair Cajun Fest
March 6th, 2010

Gumbo Cook-off Rules and Regulations

1. Check in will begin at 7:00 am on Saturday, March 6th, 2010, and all teams must be checked in by 10:00. Cooking can begin once the team has been checked in by the committee. There will be a mandatory cooks meeting at 10:00 am.
2. The gumbo can be seafood, chicken, sausage, or any combination thereof. All gumbo must be prepared from scratch and prepared on the premises, with the exception of roux. Teams must cook a minimum of 5 gallons that will be served to those in attendance that purchase armbands. The judging sample must be taken from this pot. If you think your gumbo will be a crowd favorite, please cook more. All bowls and spoons will be provided by the committee.
3. Each team will receive three arm bands at time of check in. Additional armbands can be purchased for \$5.00.
4. Decorations are permitted and encouraged. There will be a judging for showmanship.
5. Contestants may not share cooking equipment. Contestants must supply all needed equipment and supplies including butane cookers. There is limited electricity available and there is a water source nearby.
6. No keg beer allowed on grounds - can beer only. No cooler or cases of beer may be brought into cooking area after 10:00 a.m. on Saturday. Beer will be available for purchase on the grounds. Excessive use of alcoholic beverages will be grounds for disqualification. Please observe state liquor laws. The serving of alcoholic beverages to minors is strictly prohibited and will result in disqualification.
7. Each team is responsible for the clean up and the removal of everything brought into the cook-off area.
8. All gumbo must be ready for judging at 2:00 pm. Gumbo can be served to the public only after a sample has been collected for judging and then only to persons with armbands.
9. There will be trophies and cash prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places as well as showmanship and hospitality. Awards will be given at 6:00 pm.
10. Gumbo must remain available to the public until 7:00 pm, if available. Booths must not be taken down until 7:00 pm.
11. The decision of the judges and the committee is final.