



OZARK'S 4th ANNUAL Red Hot Chili Cook-Off February 22, 2025

Registration Form

On the Historic Square in DOWNTOWN OZARK, ALABAMA! Join in for some family fun!

Enter your favorite CHILI and compete for cash prizes & awards!

10:00am – 11:00am Check in registration, all teams must be set up by NOON.

11:00am – 4:00pm Time to cook that award winning CHILI!

4:00pm-6:00pm Chili tasting Time!

6:30pm Award Presentation

6:00pm Cruise-In

7:00pm Live music TBD

Amateur Team Fee:

\$35.00 before 02/18/2025

\$45.00 after 18th up to the day of event

Pro/Restaurant Team fee:

\$50.00 before 02/18/2025

\$60 after 18th up to the day of event

Team Name: _____

Team Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____ **email:** _____

Amateur Team _____ **Pro/Restaurant Team** _____

I understand and agree to the attached rules: _____

Please make your check or money order payable to the **Ozark Area Chamber of Commerce**.

Please mail registration form with payment enclosed to:

Ozark Area Chamber of Commerce Attn: Chili Cook-Off

285 East Broad St.

Ozark, AL 36360

In person Registration at Benchmark Craft Beer & Wine 164 S. Union Ave Ozark, AL

Happy Times 124 West Court Sq, Ozark, AL

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Chili Cook-Off Rules

1. The entry fees will be as follows:
Amateur teams \$35.00 early registration before 02/18/2025, and \$45.00 late registration up day of event.
Pro/Restaurant teams \$50.00 early registration before 02/18/2024 and \$60.00 late registration up day of event.
Note: Pro/Restaurant teams are only eligible for “Best of Class Trophy”
Each team must complete an entry form to be eligible to compete. Additional forms are available at the Ozark Area Chamber of Commerce.
2. Ingredients: All teams must supply their own ingredients to make at least 8 quarts (2 gallons) of chili. Commercial chili “just add meat” mixes are not permissible. Please Keep it homestyle recipes
3. The event will take place on West Reynolds Street in downtown Ozark between the courthouse and Edward Jones.
4. Maximum of 4 members per team. One team member must always be at your table during the competition.
5. The city of Ozark and Ozark Area Chamber of Commerce are not responsible for any damage to entry’s equipment or them while they are serving. A waiver must be signed on the day of the Chili Cook-Off Competition.
6. Each entry will need to prepare 8 quarts (2 GALLONS) of chili and each team is required to provide their own cooking apparatus, utensils, extension cords with own power source or propane heating source, tables, tent, and decorations including voting box, etc. *No loud generators allowed. Must be able to talk within 10 feet of unit.
7. Each entry will be supplied with spoons, napkins, and cups for use in serving chili to 100 participants.
8. Each team is encouraged to decorate their 10x10 foot booth space with a theme and decorations. Brochures and information about your business or organization are also encouraged. Promote our local small businesses!
There is an award for Best Presentation so get creative and have fun!
9. The booth spaces will be blocked off beginning at 10:00am. All Teams must be ready to present their Chili to the judges by 3:45pm and 4:00pm for the public. Service will continue until the chili runs out.
10. Each entry is responsible for maintaining a clean area during and after the event. All entries must keep their chili at a serving temperature of 140 degrees and must keep chili covered with a tightly fitting lid when not serving. Servers must wear food safe gloves and follow Dale County Health Department rules for food preparation.
11. The event is a fun family friendly community event. Amateur teams are eligible for all awards.
Pro/Restaurant teams are only eligible for the Best of Class trophy.
12. The award categories are as follows:
 - *Best Overall Chili Award: Winner of the “Best Overall Chili” is selected by Three (3) Judges who will be doing a “blind” taste test. This award will be a traveling trophy which will be displayed at City Hall or the Dale County Courthouse. **Best Overall Chili Award includes a \$100.00 cash prize.**
 - *People’s Choice Award: Winner of the “People’s Choice” is selected by vote. The team with the most votes wins. Guests vote by placing a purchased ticket (\$1/ticket) in the voting box at each table. Each ticket counts for 1 vote. **The People’s Choice Award includes a \$100.00 cash prize.**
 - *Best Presentation Award: Winner of the “Best Presentation” is selected by the judges based on the most creative theme and table display presentation. **The Best Presentation award includes a \$50.00 cash prize.**
13. All proceeds raised will benefit a local community project.