

2017 Gumbo Cook-off Rules and Guidelines

Registration fee- \$25.00

Registration fee must be paid no later than Friday, November 3, 2017.

Location - Riverfront Boardwalk and Pavilion, located at 601 W. Division Ave., Orange, TX 77630. Each team will have a single 10X10 space. ****Only one entry/team per space****

Food - Gumbo must be cooked onsite at the event, however, you may prep your ingredients prior to the event. The main ingredient of the gumbo must include ONLY chicken and sausage, gumbo containing seafood *will* be disqualified. Spices, vegetables, and secret ingredients may be used for seasoning purposes. Teams are required to give out samples (approximately ¼ cup) of their gumbo to taste to the public in the provided cups.

Please note, the sale of gumbo from each participant is allowed and encouraged. Potato salad is allowed for sale but will not be judged.

Team Captains – Each team will designate a team captain that will be responsible for seeing that the assigned area is kept clean and will handle all communication with the Orange Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Logistics - Please provide the following: table, tent, cooking supplies and serving supplies. Banners identifying booth names/organizations are encouraged. Limited electrical hookups are available upon request, entrants are encouraged to use gas burners.

Time - Participants will be allowed to begin set up on **Saturday, November 11, at 11:00 A.M.** to begin set-up, cooking and preparing before the event is open to the public. The Gumbo Cook-off will take place between 2 P.M. and 7 P.M. Tables are to be fully setup and ready to serve the public by 2:00 P.M. Winners will then be announced at 6:00 P.M.

Prize - The Gumbo Champion will win a promotional gift card valued at \$500! 2nd prize will receive a promotional gift card valued at \$300 and 3rd prize will receive a promotional gift card valued at \$100.