



Jr. Pit Master Contest Rules

Contestants aged 8-18 will compete in two divisions – a **Junior Division** (3rd-6th grade) & **Senior Division** (7th-12th grade). You **MUST** be enrolled and not have graduated high school prior to competition. Steaks will be judged on three categories: Taste, Texture, and Appearance. Children of all abilities are welcome and encouraged to participate. Contact us to discuss any special needs to accommodate a Jr. Cook. **ENTRIES ARE LIMITED** so enter early!

1. Each Jr. Cook will be given TWO (2) steaks. One for turn-in and one to present for auction. Jr. Cooks **MUST** Present second steak and participate in auction upon placing.
2. Adult (21 years or older) supervision is required. One adult per Jr. Cook. The Jr. Cook is responsible for prepping, seasoning, cooking, and presenting their entry. Guidance from an adult is allowed, but please respect the rules and allow the Jr. Cook to be the Head Cook.
3. Jr. Cooks must cook on charcoal grills provided by Lions Club and in the defined Jr. Cook-off area.
4. Dime Box Lions will provide all competition steaks.
5. The steaks will be handed out at the Jr. Cook-off area at the start time. The steak will be prepped and cooked in the Jr. Cook-off area by the Jr. cook.
6. The steaks are not allowed to leave the designated Jr. Cook-off areas. If this occurs, the pit will be disqualified. No other steaks are permitted in the Jr. Cook-off area, other than the steaks provided.
7. Steak may not contain decorations, toppings, stuffing, or additional items.
8. Sauce must be cooked on; no additional sauce may be added once the steak is on the tray. No pooling of sauces or liquids in the turn-in tray.
9. No garnish is allowed. Only the steak is allowed in the box.
10. Steak may not be marked in any way, apart from grill marks.
11. Steak must be submitted in the provided boxes. The foil provided must stay in the box under the steak.
12. If the Jr. Cook abandons the pit in the Jr. Cook-off area for any reason, other than a medical emergency or to use the restroom, the Jr. Cook must notify a BBQ Committee member. If at any time the Jr. Cook is not the primary cook, the pit will be disqualified. If the pit has been abandoned by the Jr. Cook without notifying a member of the BBQ Committee the pit may be disqualified.

Lions Provide

- Charcoal
- BBQ Pit
- Steak

Jr. Pit Master Provides

- Cooking Utensils, such as tongs, spatula, brush, etc.
- BBQ Rub
- BBQ Sauce
- Apron
- Gloves or Hand Wipes
- Foil
- Table/TV Tray (small table to set supplies on)
- Additional charcoal, wood chips, etc. AFTER using ALL supplied by Lions, if necessary
- Canopy (optional but recommended)

1st, 2nd, & 3rd place awards are given in each division. All second steaks in both divisions will be auctioned off after awards. Be sure to invite family and friends to attend and support their Jr. Cook!

For additional information please contact: dianekothmann9@gmail.com/904-742-5995



Jr. Pit Master Entry Form
Saturday, October 7, 2023 Entry fee is \$30.00 per Cook
Registration Deadline is 09/15/23

The Jr. Pit Master Contest is open to 3rd thru 12th grade students as of 09/01/23
Steak, Pit, and Charcoal is provided to each cook
(See Contest Rules for additional information)

Schedule 1:45pm – Jr. Cook Check-in Meeting, Steak & Turn-in Tray Distribution
2:00pm – Cook-off Begins
3:00pm – Turn in Steak

Jr. Cook's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Age Division: _____ Junior (3rd – 6th Grade) _____ Senior (7th – 12th Grade)

Supervising Adult: _____ Relationship: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I have read and acknowledge all rules and regulations set forth by the Dime Box Black Bridge Jr. Pit Master BBQ Cook-off Committee. I will participate in a safe and sportsmanlike manner and abide by all rules set forth herein and verbally explained to me.

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

I/We do hereby release the Dime Box Lions Club, the sponsors and/or any official from any injuries and damages which may be suffered while traveling to and/or from the event or while participating in the event.

Jr. Cook Signature: _____ Date: _____

Supervising Adult Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return entry forms and fees to:

Dime Box Lions Club
PO Box 266
Dime Box, Texas 77853

Please make checks payable to Dime Box Lions Foundation

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