

“Desserts” Rules and Regulations Southaven Springfest

Although the “Desserts” contest is a separate entity and is not included in the Championship contest, the following will provide guidelines for the teams cooking in the division. A \$10 entry fee entitles each team to enter one sample. Teams may enter more than one entry. Any questions concerning this division should be directed to Debbie Storley, “Desserts” chairman. James Lantrip, Barbeque Chairman, will make all final decisions. These decisions will be based on what is best for 1) Springfest, and 2) the contestant. You may prepare your entry offsite. No inspections of ingredients or methods will be made before judging.

You are responsible for observing prudent temperature and sanitary requirements.

Rules:

1. “Dessert” entries will be blind judged only. There will be no final round judging. A cash prize will be awarded for overall champion only. Trophies will be awarded to the first three places.
2. Blind judging containers will be delivered to each participant at the team’s cook site on Friday between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. If you have not received your container by this time, send a team member to see Debbie Storley, chairman.
3. Anything placed in the container that identifies you team will cause your entry to not be scored. Cut or prepare your entries such that each judge will have their own portion. Provide sufficient samples for judging by **8** judges.
4. Blind judging will be held in the team’s check-in tent. We suggest that you familiarize yourselves with the location before judging time. All samples must be delivered to the check in area between 7:45 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Judging will commence exactly at 8:00 p.m. on Friday. A sign will indicate the check in location. Any entry that arrives after the appointed check in time will not be scored. You will be allowed to submit only the number of entries that you specify on your entry form. After you turn in your entry, you must immediately leave the judging area.
5. To protect the integrity of this competition, all judges will be screened for competence to insure that the quality of the entry will be judged objectively based on the merits of the samples.