

SAHPOO BAR-B-QUE COOK-OFF & CAR SHOW FEATURING SPAZMATICS  
**RULES & REGULATIONS (IBCA SANCTIONED)**

**COOK-OFF: SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026**



1. **CATEGORIES TO BE JUDGED ARE BEEF BRISKET, PORK SPARERIBS, CHICKEN AND PINTO BEANS**
  - (30%) of the Jackpot entry fees will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> Place Beans, (20%) for 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Bean
2. **ENTRY FEE IS \$325.00 FOR THREE MEAT CATEGORIES AND \$25.00 FOR BEANS**
  - Registration will be limited to 32 teams due to space and availability. SORRY, NO REFUNDS.
  - If you would like to be assigned a space next to another team, please note on your entry form. We will do our best to accommodate your request, but no guarantees made.
3. **SPACES ARE 20 X 20**
  - Spaces are available to cook Bar-B-Que.
4. **ALL CONTESTANTS MUST BE IN PLACE BY 8:00 A.M. ON SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026**
  - Cookers may enter grounds on Friday, March 20, 2026, from 12 noon. Tray pick up 4pm and cooks meeting at 6pm, or Saturday, March 21, 2026, starting at 7:00 am to unload/set-up.
5. **LOAD OUT AND CLEAN UP**
  - All Cooking grounds **must be cleared by 12 noon on Sunday, March 22, 2026.**
  - All teams are responsible for picking up around the space provided. Trash cans will be available for use.
  - No loading until judging is completed. To load, please enter at the Main gate on Loop 1604.
6. **TURN-IN TIMES**
  - Will be given at check-in time.
  - No sauces or garnishes on meat to be judged!
7. **TEAMS CONSIST OF HEAD COOK AND UP TO 6 ASSISTANTS**
  - There will be a head cooks meeting on Friday, March 20, 2026, at 6pm at San Antonio Shriners Pavillion on the show grounds.
  - The Head Cook will be held responsible for the conduct of his team.
  - Excessive use of alcoholic beverages will be grounds for disqualification.
  - BBQ and Beans must be prepared at the site assigned at the time of check-in.
  - Armbands for the head cook and up to 6 assistants will be provided at check-in, these will also be good for the Spazmatics concert.
8. **ALL TEAMS WILL BE ALLOWED TO BRING IN ICE CHESTS UPON ARRIVAL AND SET UP**
  - NO GLASS CONTAINERS ALLOWED
  - No more ice chests will be allowed through the gate after the first trip of set-up (ice chest must be on truck).
  - LOADING AND UNLOADING WILL ENTER AT GATE ON LOOP 1604.
  - All teams are encouraged to give free samples, but no one is allowed to sell BBQ.
9. **FIRES MUST BE WOOD OR WOOD SUBSTANCES, NO GAS GRILLS ALLOWED ON MEAT.**
  - All fires must be in containers. Holes or dug pits are not permitted.
  - All teams must have a means of catching drip grease and ashes from pit.
  - Contestants must supply all needed equipment and supplies.
  - Generators are allowed, however, please try to use quiet ones.
10. **COOK-OFF AREA RULES**
  - Music will be low to moderate based upon committee's discretion. No live bands, karaoke, amplifiers, etc.
  - No lewdness on cook-off grounds. This is a family affair. Poor taste in this area will be grounds for disqualification.
  - **No shirts, koozies, etc. can be given out or sold with the SAHPOO BBQ Cook-off & Car Show name or logo.**
  - The **SAHPOO BBQ Cook-off & Car Show** Committee will not be responsible for accidents or for theft of or damage to equipment.
  - Board of the BBQ Cook-off Committee reserves the right to make additional regulations as situations warrant.
  - Decisions of the Committee and Judges will be final.
  - Two warnings will be given. Thereafter are grounds for dismissal and disqualification