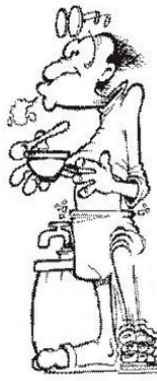




# New Baden IL Chamber of Commerce 21st Annual Chili/ Soup Cook-Off New Baden Village Park Saturday, October 25, 2025 (Rain or Shine)

**Up to \$10,000 In Cash Prizes!!!**  
This is a "Taster's Choice" Competition.

Cook-off Competition: 3pm to 7pm  
Awards Ceremony: 8pm  
Event Ends: 10pm



## RULES FOR THE CHILI/ SOUP COMPETITION:

1. **MANDATORY: ALL INGREDIENTS & COMPONENTS MUST BE PREPARED ON THE PARK GROUNDS.** This includes cutting meat, chopping vegetables, cooking all ingredients, etc.)
2. **MANDATORY:** Each team must begin set-up, check-in, and start cooking by 9am; non-compliance will forfeit all bonuses.
3. Chili and Soup entries must be ready to serve at 3pm.
4. Cash prizes up to \$10,000 will be awarded by "Taster's Choice" at the 8pm Awards Ceremony.
5. **MANDATORY: 20 Gallon MINIMUM** per entry - **NO MAXIMUM.** The more you make, the more possible votes you can earn. 2022: Record number sold! 1,900 armbands to taste soup/ chili.
6. Cooking devices **MUST** be Chamber approved. Check the size of your roasters; they are not 5-gallon capacity. **Crock pots ARE NOT permitted.**
7. No Entry Fee! The Chamber of Commerce will pay a **\$50 BONUS** to entries received prior to Oct. 15 just for entering and making the required **20 gal. minimum!**  
\*\*Bonus is paid at the Awards Ceremony.
8. Crackers, bowls, napkins, spoons, & 2-oz serving ladle will be provided by the Chamber of Commerce.
9. Themed teams/ booths are encouraged. **\$100 Cash Prize for best decorated!!**
10. Spaces are uncovered and approx. 12' X 12'. You must provide your own tables, canopy, power cords, etc. Electric Panels **CANNOT** support 5 roasters.
11. A sink system with hot water will be available on the park grounds.
12. Teams can compete in both categories as separate entries. Please fill out two (2) entry forms. You must serve from two (2) separate booths. Both booths must meet **ALL** requirements.
13. Teams will choose your spot at 7pm on Fri., Oct. 24 at a **MANDATORY** meeting. The Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to change your location due to any circumstance.
14. **IMPORTANT!! DO NOT** give a sample to anyone without an armband.
15. Rules and regulations are subject to change. The Chamber of Commerce has the right to reject any competitor.

## CHILI & SOUP REGISTRATION FORM

Team Name (ex. Joe & Crew): \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Name (ex. Big Joe's Smokin' Chili): \_\_\_\_\_

Chili: \_\_\_\_\_ Soup: \_\_\_\_\_ Electric: Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Captain: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (City, State, Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Alt. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size\*: \_\_\_\_\_ OR Cook-off Apron\*: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Each team will receive one (1) long-sleeved shirt **OR** one (1) apron. Additional shirts and aprons can be purchased.

I have read and understand the rules of the competition.

Team Captain Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### **Mail Completed form to:**

New Baden Chamber of Commerce Chili/Soup Cook-Off,  
PO Box 22, New Baden IL 62265  
Or Text to (618) 334-3136 (Teri)

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