

What to Expect at Your First CASI Chili Cook-off

About CASI

The Chili Appreciation Society International (CASI) is a Texas-based nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting chili cook-offs that support local charities and foster community engagement.

Basic Cooking Rules

- Prepare chili from scratch, on-site, and in the open.
- No fillers allowed (e.g., beans, rice, pasta).
- Maintain sanitary cooking conditions; your setup may be inspected.
- Cook only one pot of chili for judging.
- Sign your judging cup ticket and ensure timely turn-in.

What to Bring

- Canopy, table, chairs
- Chili pot with lid, cooking utensils
- Camp stove with propane fuel
- Ice chest with ice, water (1-3 gallons)
- Dishwashing supplies, paper towels
- OPTIONAL- Decorate your canopy and engage with the crowd for a chance to win SHOWMANSHIP.

At the Cook-off

- Register upon arrival and obtain your judging cup.
- Set up your cooking area with the necessary equipment.
- Attend the cooks' meeting for event-specific instructions.

Judging Criteria

Chili is evaluated based on:

- Aroma
- Red Color
- Consistency
- Taste
- Aftertaste

Winning and Beyond

- Winners are typically announced in reverse order, with awards for the top 10 chilis and top 3 showmanship entries.
- Qualify for the Terlingua International Chili Championship (TICC) by winning designated qualifying events.
- CASI membership is required to compete at TICC.

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- **Locals Category** – Win bragging rights (and a trophy) as the best hometown chili!
- **Battle of the Businesses** – Rally your coworkers and represent your business in a friendly (but fierce) chili competition! Winner gets to keep the trophy in their lobby for a year (bragging rights) + a commemorative keepsake trophy!

TEXCLIPSE MUSIC FESTIVAL

CASI Chili Cook Off Registration Form

MAY 3 & 4, 2025

ADDRESS: Hill Country Fair Association, FM-2169, Junction, TX

CASI Chili, Beans, Salsa & Margaritas entries must be prepared/cooked on site

Saturday, May 3, 2025:

8:30-9:30AM Cooks Check-In and Set up	- Hill Country Fair Association
9:00-11:00 AM Chili Cook Off Registration	- Pavilion
9:30 AM CASI Cooks Meeting	- Hill Country Fair Association
10:00 AM Texclipse Event Gates Open & LIVE MUSIC all day with Noel Bullard	
11:00 AM Beans Turn In	- Pavilion
12:00 PM Salsa Turn In	- Pavilion
12:00-2:00PM Washer Pitching & Corn Hole Registration	- Pavilion
1:00 PM Margarita Turn In	- Pavilion
2:00 PM CASI Chili Turn In	- Pavilion
2:15 PM Washer Pitching & Corn Hole Tournament Begins	- Pavilion
2:00-2:45 PM Chili Showmanship	- Cooks' Booth
3:30PM Cook Off Awards	- Stage
7:00 PM Washer, Corn Hole Awards	- Stage
7:30 PM LIVE MUSIC with Matt Kirk & The Gueyfarers	- Stage

Sunday, May 4, 2025:

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9:30 AM CASI Cooks Meeting	- Hill Country Fair Association
1:00 PM CASI Chili Turn In	- Pavilion
2:00 PM Awards/Results Announced	- Pavilion

All events & times subject to change

Regional Referee: Bob Steinle, 210-294-0326 **Please text or leave a voicemail, his calls are screened**

Head Cook: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Number of Cooks on Team (not to exceed 4): _____ Team Name: _____



CASI Chili Cook Off - Saturday, May 3rd, \$25

Sunday, May 4th, \$25

ADDITIONAL CATEGORIES:

Beans Entry, Saturday ONLY - \$10

Margarita Entry, Saturday ONLY - \$15

Salsa Entry, Saturday ONLY - \$10

TOTAL -

**I have read & agree to the official CASI rulebook & the Texclipse Music Festival Participation waiver.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Texclipse Music Festival (MEMO: Chili Cook Off)

MAIL CHECKS & APPLICATION TO: Texclipse Music Festival, PO Box 727, Junction, TX 76849

Schedule of Events

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11:15 AM Beans Judging <u>(NEED VOLUNTEERS)</u>	-	Pavilion

BEANS JUDGING - Texture | Flavor | Consistency | Aroma | Presentation

12:00 PM Salsa Turn In	-	Pavilion
12:15 PM Salsa Judging <u>(NEED VOLUNTEERS)</u>	-	Pavilion

SALSA JUDGING - Texture | Flavor | Heat Balance | Aroma | Presentation

12:00-2:00PM Washer Pitching & Corn Hole Registration	-	Pavilion
1:00 PM Margarita Turn In	-	Pavilion
1:15 PM Margarita Judging (NEED VOLUNTEERS)	-	Pavilion

MARGARITA JUDGING - Texture | Flavor | Alcohol Ratio | Color | Presentation

2:00 PM	CASI Chili Turn In	-	Pavilion
2:15 PM	Chili Judging (NEED VOLUNTEERS)		

CHILI JUDGING - Aroma | Red Color | Consistency | Taste | Aftertaste

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\$50/Team for Washer & Corn hole | \$25 per person for Washer Singles

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