



12th Annual Crawfish Festival & Cookoff

King Fisher Park, Port O'Connor, TX

Saturday, April 27, 2024

10:00 am – 6:00 pm

TEAM REGISTRATION

Deadline April 1, 2024, OR until spots are filled.

Spot is not reserved until fee is received. \$100 late fee after April 1st, IF spots are still available.

Categories are: Best Boiled Crawfish, Best Side Dish, Best Bloody Mary, and Best Decorated Booth

\$200 per team (20x20) Teams are limited to this size only. 1 spot per team.

Team Name: _____

Captain Name: _____

Address: _____ **City** _____ **ST** _____ **ZIP** _____

Email _____ **Phone number** _____

Team Members Shirts	Shirt Sizes (S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL)	
1 Free Shirt Size		Free
Additional shirts, \$20 each. List size & quantity of each.		\$
Additional Wristbands Team gets 6 free with registration	\$5 each	\$
Bloody Mary Contest	\$20 entry fee	\$
Booth space	\$200 per team (20x20)	\$
Late Fee	\$100 for any application, <i>if accepted</i> received after April 1, 2024	\$

*If paying by Cash, Check, or Money Order, Please remit registration and fees to: **Port O'Connor Chamber of Commerce, Attn: Crawfish Fest & Cook Off, PO Box 701, Port O'Connor, TX 77982**

*If paying with Credit Card, a 3% service fee will be included. Please email application to Crawfish@portoconnorchamber.com. Upon receipt, you will receive a phone call for credit card info.

Team Captains Signature _____

By signing this form, you agree that you understand and will abide by all rules and guidelines, as attached.



Port O'Connor Chamber of Commerce 12th Annual Crawfish Festival & Cook-off

RULES AND GUIDELINES

Crawfish Categories are Best Boiled Crawfish, Best Side Dish,
Best Bloody Mary, and Best Decorated Booth

Teams

Each cooking team will have one designated captain and will be permitted an additional 5 cooks/assistants in their cooking area. Each team will receive 6 paid wrist bands. Any additional wrist bands may be pre-purchased upon registration or purchased online or at the gate at \$5 each. **Everyone** should be wearing a wristband.

Each team will receive 1 free captains T-shirt at check-in. Additional T-shirts may be pre-purchased upon registration for \$20 each. Shirts should be ordered at the time of application or pre-order closer to date.

Set Up:

Check in time will be from **3:00 – 8:00 pm on Friday, April 26th** and **7:00-10:00 AM, April 27th**. All cooking teams will be permitted to set up their equipment, decorations, and other facilities any time after checking in. Note: Gates will be locked at 8 pm on Friday, and there will be overnight security on Friday night. Team space will be assigned by the Chamber and all tents should be contained to the designated marked area. Teams will be responsible for furnishing their own equipment, generators for electricity and or propane cookers, utensils, ingredients, tables, tents/canopies, and any material for booths or special decorations. **Each team shall be required to have a fire extinguisher. All vehicles, including golf carts or UTV's, should be out of the fenced area by 10:00 am. If you are bringing a vehicle in to unload, please do so quickly by unloading, exiting, and returning to set up.** Traffic will be congested within the fenced area.

Contests:

Bloody Contest - \$20 registration fee and application can be made at time of registration. Entries will be judged on taste and presentation separately. An award will be presented to the Best Bloody Mary Presentation and Best Tasting Bloody Mary. Ingredients may be pre-mixed and drinks do not need to contain alcohol; Virgin Mary's are allowed. Presentation drink may be in any container; however, no distinguishable marked containers will be permitted with the name of the team or team logo. A 32 fl. oz. cup will be provided for judges tasting. All entries must be ready and turned in by 11:15 am. Participants will be responsible for picking up their presentation containers from the judging area by 1 pm. **Please make sure that you retain your ticket, as winners will be announced by the winning ticket number. Must have ticket and be present to accept award.**

Best Boiled Crawfish All cookers must provide their own crawfish. Each team must cook a minimum of 1 sack of boiled crawfish, reserving at least 1 lb. for the cook off entry for Judge's tasting. All crawfish must be ready for judging by 1:00 pm. Each team will be given a container with a matching ticket attached so that all entries are

confidential. **Please make sure that you retain your ticket, as winners will be announced by the winning ticket number. Must have ticket and be present to accept award.**

Best Side Dish can be any dish but MUST contain crawfish. All side dishes can be labeled with the name of the dish only and be ready for judging by 3:00 pm. Each participating team will be given a container with a matching ticket attached so that all entries are confidential. **Please make sure that you retain your ticket, as winners will be announced by the winning ticket number. Must have ticket and be present to accept award.**

People's Choice Award – The People's Choice contest will be open to the public from 12:00 noon – 4:00 pm. Anyone can receive a wristband for a \$25 donation and receive 5 tokens. The wristband will allow that person to sample crawfish at each booth. The donor will leave his token(s) at whatever team(s) they choose to vote on. The team with the most tokens wins this award. A ticketed cup for each entry will be provided to each team for the deposit of tokens. Cookers should ensure that they have crawfish ready for participants to taste as early as 12:00 noon. Please only let them sample a small amount! As part of this fundraising event, Crawfish plates will be sold by the Chamber of Commerce for the public starting at 11:30 until sold out. Each team shall turn in their tokens by 4pm to the People's Choice tent.

Best Decorated Booth- Teams are encouraged to creatively decorate their booth! All teams are instructed to respect the spectators/visitors with tasteful decorations. An award will be given for the best decorated booth. Judging will be done at a random time between 12:00 and 4:00 pm.

Clean up:

Each team is responsible for cleaning up their area, including trash and removal of all items at the end of the cook-off at 6:00 pm. Trash bags will be provided, and trash will be picked up periodically during the event by the cleanup crew. **Please ensure that all food items are disposed of properly in trash containers.**

All decisions by the Judges are final and will be announced on stage. Winners must be present with tickets to accept awards. Only the winners will be announced. Your standing in each category can be obtained, after the cookoff. This is NOT a sanctioned cookoff for any other event. Please remember this is a FUNraiser with all proceeds going to the Port O'Connor Community!

Misconduct will not be tolerated. Disqualification from the cook-off and immediate expulsion from the park is the penalty for teams failing to conform to general good sense, sportsmanship, proper behavior, and park rules. Failure to comply with any rules will result in failure to participate in future events.

NO BEER/ALCOHOL IS ALLOWED TO BE BROUGHT INTO THE EVENT; NO BEER OR ALCOHOL MAY BE SOLD BY PARTICIPANTS. BEER MAY BE PURCHASED AT THE EVENT, THROUGH THE POC CHAMBER. PLEASE BE AWARE, GLASS BOTTLES ARE PROHIBITED WITHIN KING FISHER PARK. ANYONE CAUGHT BRINGING IN THEIR OWN BEER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AND PROHIBITED FROM FUTURE ENTRY

Please contact Chairperson, Darla Parker at 361-983-2898 or email crawfish@portoconnorchamber.com with any questions concerning this event.