

29th Lakeside Winter Celebration  
***Chilly Chili Challenge***  
 Saturday, February 1, 2025  
 Entry Form and Rules



**Rules:**

1. All contestants including caterers must obtain a Monroe County Health Department **Temporary Food Service Permit** (753-5553). An application has been enclosed for your convenience.

Additionally, a **Certified Food Worker** must be present at the contest site on February 1st. This year's event will be held in a large heated tent by the Roger Robach Community Center, 180 Beach Ave.

2. Chili must be prepared at an approved kitchen and comply with all Monroe County Health Department regulations.
3. Contestants should safely prepare a minimum of 5 gallons of chili for public tasting. **Safe food handling and storage is imperative.**
4. Each contestant will be provided a 10' x 10' space, one 8-foot banquet table and 2 chairs.
5. Contestants may decorate their area with banners, signs or placards promoting their restaurant, catering service or nonprofit organization.
6. Electric power **will** be provided. Other supplemental heat sources are allowed but must comply with all fire regulations.
7. Chili will be tasted/evaluated by a panel of judges as well as the general public. **Decisions are final.** Cash awards and plaques will be presented based on the judges' decision.
8. The **People's Choice Award** is based on public tasters who will vote for their favorite chili by placing a bean in jars provided at each tasting station.

**People's Choice**  
 \$200 + plaque

**Judge's Choice/Professional**  
 1st place: \$200 + plaque  
 Runner-up: \$150 + plaque

**Judge's Choice/Amateur**  
 1st place : \$200 + plaque  
 Runner-up: \$150 + plaque

9. The Ontario Beach Park Program Committee will be selling wristbands for 2 oz. samples of each contestant's chili. Cups, spoons and napkins will be provided to all contestants. All proceeds help fund entertainment at Ontario Beach Park throughout the 2025 season.
10. Event organizers reserve the right to refuse admission to anyone not adhering to contest rules/policies or health department regulations.
11. On Saturday, set up begins at 9:00 am. Judging starts promptly at 1:30 pm. Public tasting 12:00 - 3:00 p.m. Awards - 3:30 p.m.

If your restaurant, catering business or organization would like to enter the Chilly Chili Challenge, you must obtain a Temporary Food Service Permit DIRECTLY from Monroe County Health Dept. and complete this contest ENTRY FORM and return it to:

Chilly Chili Challenge  
c/o Pam  
57 St. Paul St  
Rochester, NY 14604

Or email:  
[Pamela.Bialaszewski@cityofrochester.gov](mailto:Pamela.Bialaszewski@cityofrochester.gov)

All entries must be submitted and Health Department permits obtained by Monday, January 27, 2025 (to avoid a late fee) for the Health Department Permit.

For more information, call Pam at 428-6135 or email to the address above.

***CHILLY CHILI CHALLENGE ENTRY FORM***  
***SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2025***  
***12:00 - 3:00 p.m.***  
**PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!**

Business/Organization Name:	_____
Primary Contact Person:	_____
Address:	_____
City:	_____
State:	_____
Zip:	_____
Phone Number:	_____
Fax Number:	_____
Email Address:	_____
Category (check one):	Amateur ____ Professional ____