



The event is Saturday, April 1, from 1pm to 4pm.

Teams must submit an entry Form with a \$25 check to the Mount Vernon Chamber of Commerce by March 17 to reserve a spot.

Farmstrong Brewing Company will open at 10am on April 1 for set up and cooking.

Teams will be assigned a 10' x 10' preparation area. Bring your canopy, table, and everything you will need to prepare your chili/chowder and keep it warm.

Each team is responsible for all cooking utensils, tables, chairs, cooking ingredients, set up and clean up. Each team must supply all cooking equipment: propane camp stove, grills, etc. power will be available through generators.

Each competitor will be given spoons, napkins, 2-ounce taster cups and bowls to give attendees.

Teams are encouraged to decorate their area and themselves. The best decorated and costumed team will win \$100.

No chili can be pre-cooked or prepared prior to competition unless done at a commercial kitchen and transported according to Health Department guidelines.

Please keep chili and chowder tightly covered when not serving.

All ingredients must come from approved food sources, so it's absolutely safe for public consumption (No roadkill). For questions, contact the Skagit County Health Department (360) 416-1500 .

Each participant will also need to bring a handwashing station with a continuous flow spout, soap and paper towels.

Chili powder and other spices are fine and dandy, but complete commercial chili mixes are not permitted. Thickeners such as corn meal, masa or flour are allowed – so are canned tomatoes, chipotles and beans. NO prepackaged chili/chowder is allowed.

Attendees will be given six taster tickets and a vote ticket. The vote ticket will be for their favorite chili/chowder and they will receive a bowl in exchange for their vote.

Craft Stove will choose the Craft Stove Best of Show Award.

You can submit both a chili and a chowder for the one application.

The more chili you have, the more votes you can get –a minimum of 4 gallons is required.

Craft Stove Best of Show Award winner will also receive a plaque.

1st Place Professional Chowder – award plaque and \$150

2nd Place Professional Chowder - receive your entry fee back

1st Place Professional Chili - award plaque and \$150

2nd Place Professional Chili - receive your entry fee back

1st Place Amateur Chowder – award plaque and \$150

2nd Place Amateur Chowder - receive your entry fee back

1st Place Amateur Chili - award plaque and \$150

2nd Place Amateur Chili - receive your entry fee back