



PASADENA LIVESTOCK SHOW & RODEO

2026 CHAMPIONSHIP BBQ COOK-OFF



Margarita: Saturday, September 12, 2026 starts at 2pm
(times to be Assigned)

Space is limited to the first 75 teams.

Judges will come to your space. (Weather permitting)

Entry Fee is \$25.00 per space, **(No Refunds)** if you have more than one space, entries are limited to two. **Trophy & Cash Prize for 1st and 2nd Place.**

DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2026

ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS

Margaritas will be judged on the following criteria:

1. Flavor
2. Showmanship / Technique

Schedules will be provided after the cooks meeting on Wednesday, September 09, 2026

Name of team:
Space number(s):
Number of entries:
Contact #

Cash_____ Check# _____ Credit Card # _____

Type_____ Exp. _____ 3 Dig. Code _____

I agree to abide by all rules of the PLS&R cook off and acknowledge that entry fees are non-refundable unless the event is cancelled. Applicant acknowledges and agrees to the exhibitor/contestants Release of Liability form.

Printed Name

Space #?(s)

Signed

Date

**Send Application to Pasadena Rodeo Office,
via Office@pasadenarodeo.com**



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Rules and Regulations

- Participants (judges and cook team members) must be at least 21 years of age
- Participants must be on a cook team entered in the PLS&R cookoff.
- Teams can use the tequila of their choice, but must use at least 1.5 ounces
- Teams will be allowed to set up their own seating area for judges
- A number will be assigned to each space for judging purposes.
- All recipes must be original.
- Fire is not allowed as a special effect during the making of the margarita.
- Any type of glassware is allowed for final presentation along with table settings
- You may use any ingredients you wish but your alcohol must be “Tequila”
- Salt or sugar is allowed on rim but not required.
- Garnishing is also allowed but not required
- **Contestants are allowed 15 minutes for the judges**
- There will be 4 judges
- No flights allowed

JUDGING CRITERIA

Flavor

Strength of margarita (relating to alcoholic content) – not too strong; not too weak

Level of acidity

Smoothness factor

While other flavors of Margarita may be entered, judgement will only be based on “original” Margarita recipes.

Showmanship/Technique

Bartending skills and flare displayed while mixing beverage

Final Presentation

Appearance of drink

Appropriate glassware for drink

Table setting

Participation of cook team (skit or explanation of drink...)