



**City of Imperial  
TRI-TIP COOK-OFF  
Application**

**Saturday, February 25, 2012  
11:00am-3:00pm  
Eager Park  
9<sup>th</sup> & G Streets, Imperial**

*Thank you for your participation!  
Proceeds raised during the  
Tri-Tip Cook-Off will benefit  
Community Programs.*

**PRIZES**

<b>Champion Tri-Tip</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>Supreme Showman</b>	<b>\$500</b>
<b>Reserve Champion</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>Reserve Supreme Showman</b>	<b>\$250</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b>	<b>\$250</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place Showmanship</b>	<b>\$125</b>
<b>People's Choice</b>	<b>\$250</b>		

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Chief Cook: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Team members including Chief Cook: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration form and entry fees must be received by February 10, 2012**

Entry Fee: \$100.00

Please familiarize yourself with the Tri-Tip Cook-Off Rules and Regulations included on the back of the application.

**Contestants must obtain a one day permit from the Imperial County Public Health Department, Section of Environmental Health.**

**Waiver of Liability:** In consideration of your accepting this entry, I the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby, for myself, my heirs, my team, executors and demonstrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I or my team may have against, the City of Imperial and their representatives, successors, and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by myself, my team, or my guests in the event. I hereby grant full permission to the event organizers and/or agents authorized by them, to use any photographs, videotapes, recording or any other record of the event for any legitimate purpose. I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Tri-Tip Cook-Off Competition as interpreted by the Judges/Organizers of the Tri-Tip Cook-Off event.

Team Captain/Chief Cook (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: City of Imperial**  
**Mail this SIGNED entry form and registration fee to:**  
City of Imperial Department of Parks and Recreation  
Attention: Ember Haller  
420 S. Imperial Ave.  
Imperial, CA 92251



Additional information can be found at [www.cityofimperial.org](http://www.cityofimperial.org) or by calling 760-355-3316 or email [ehaller@cityofimperial.org](mailto:ehaller@cityofimperial.org).

## Inaugural Tri-Tip Cook-Off Rules & Regulations

- 1) The decision and interpretations of the Tri-Tip Cook-Off Rules and Regulations are at the discretion of the Tri-Tip Cook-Off Representatives. Their decisions and interpretations are final.
- 2) 25 entrants will be accepted on a first received first serve basis. Cook-Off space will be assigned at time of registration. All BBQ's and other equipment used by the team must remain within the assigned cooking space.
- 3) Contestants must follow all local fire, electrical, health and other appropriate local codes. **Contestants must review the Imperial County Public Health Department Temporary Food Facility Guidelines and obtain a one day permit from the Imperial County Public Health Department, Division of Environmental Health located at 797 Main Street, Suite B, El Centro.** Information may be found online at [http://www.icphd.org/sub.php?menu\\_id=615](http://www.icphd.org/sub.php?menu_id=615) or by calling 760-336-8530. One Day Food Permit application must be submitted to Imperial County Environmental Health on or before Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>.
- 4) Teams will provide their own meat, equipment, tables, shade, generator, etc. as needed or required for the cook-off. A fire extinguisher is required by each team.
- 5) One person is to be designated as the team leader or chief cook. The team leader will attend the Cooks Meeting and will be responsible for all the actions of the team. Only team members may assist with and be in the designated cooking space and or designated meat cutting areas.
- 6) Check in time starts at **6:30 A.M.** Cooks Meeting starts at **7:00 A.M.** Vehicles will be allowed in event area for set-up until **9:00 A.M.** Judging will start at **11:00 A.M.** People's Choice will be held from **11:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M.** Results will be announced at **3:00 P.M.**
- 7) All tri-tip shall start out raw and be inspected by the Tri-Tip Cook-Off Official. Once the meat has been inspected, it shall not leave the contest site. Cooking shall not begin until after the meat has been inspected and approved.
- 8) Tri-tip and side dishes may be sold for tri-tip tickets only and may not be given away.
- 9) Tri-tip tickets will be sold to the public for \$1 each with 75% of sales going back to the teams. Collected tickets should be kept in a sealed box identifying the team. Team will turn in collected tickets to the Tri-Tip Cook-Off Booth at 3:00 P.M for reimbursement.
- 10) Judging - Contestants must submit at least (6) six cuts of tri-tip meat enough for six judges to the judging area at 11:00 A.M. Meat entries will be submitted in a numbered container supplied by the City of Imperial. The number must be on the top of the container at turn-in. The container or meat shall not be marked or presented in any way to make the container or meat identifiable. Judging will be based upon Appearance, Tenderness/Texture, and Taste.
- 11) People's Choice Award –Teams must provide 4-ounce samples of tri-tip for approximately 100 people. The team will provide one sample in exchange for one ticket. Attendees will receive one People's Choice voting ballot per purchase of 5 tri-tip tickets. Attendees may cast their vote for their favorite team at the Tri-Tip Cook-Off Booth from 11:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. The team with the most votes will win the People's Choice Award.
- 12) Showmanship Award – Teams will be judged on their showmanship based on their cook-off style! Judges will consider the overall “showmanship” of the team, team booth, and presentation of tri-tip.
- 13) Award Ceremony – Winners will be announced at 3:00 P.M. Prizes will be awarded as follows:

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Reserve Champion	\$500	Reserve Supreme Showman	\$250
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